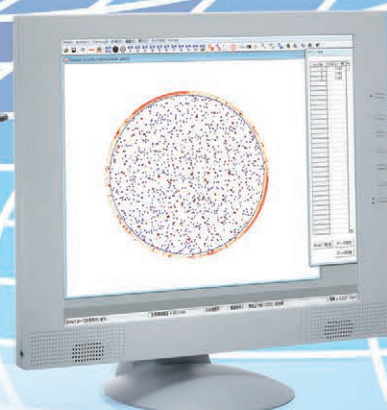


Accurately and instantly measures
the number of colonies in a sample



PSF-1000



PSF-2000

Automatic Colony Counter

The World Latest Automatic Colony Counter

Improve your work efficiency with problem solutions.

Our Colony Counter solves these problems

Problem

1

Manual counting methods take time and also there is huge quantities of specimen.

- Manual counting takes too much time and delays other operations.
- Counting operation causes stiff neck and shoulders.

Problem

2

Measuring method is not consistent due to visual measurement.

- Accurate measurement is hard when in measuring coliform bacteria bigger than 0.5mm.
- Due to physical condition of the day, it may be possible to miss small colonies.

Problem

3

Accurate measurement decreases when in measuring a widespread colony.

- There might be possibly existing beneath the widespread colonies on the surface of pouring culture medium, however it counts as single colony.

Problem

4

Existing measuring devices is unable to measure separately in terms of various color case.

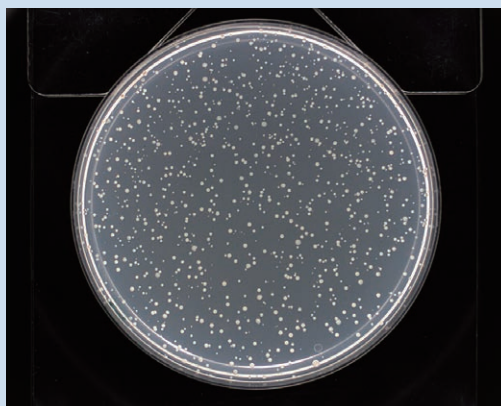
- In terms of manual counting, it uses different color marker to count, however this makes less work efficiency.

10 minutes manual counting method makes just *5 seconds.*

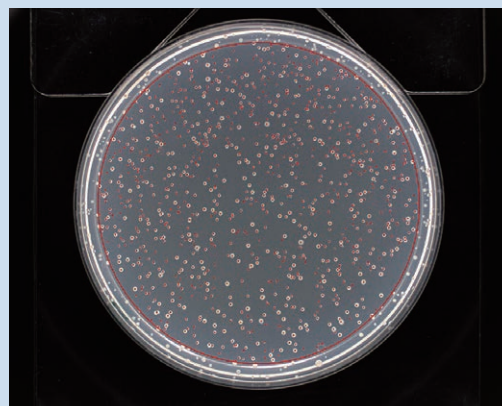
It may differ depending on the number and kind of the colonies.

What is the Automatic Colony Counter.

A device that enables to count immediately the number of colonies in a designated area.



► Original image



► Measured image

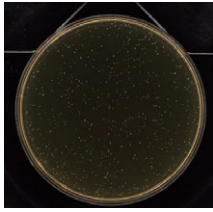
Automatic Colony Counter will solve various problems.

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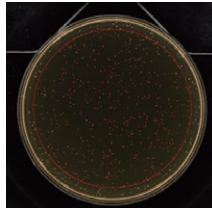
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Problem solution

In case of more than 300 colonies in one petri dish, it takes 5 minutes by manual measurement, but it takes only 3 seconds by automatic measurement.



▶ Original image



▶ Measured image

Reason

High speed image processing makes quick operation. Without fatigue, it enables to complete with one single person even many specimen case. Without fatigue, it enables to complete with one single person even many specimen case.

Measuring method is not consistent due to visual measurement.

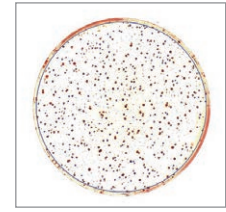
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Problem solution

Individual measurement with fixed size of colonies makes stable and consistent measurement.



▶ Original image



▶ Measured image

Reason

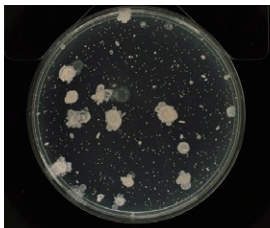
The area calculation of each colonies enabled to measure individually only designated diameter. As long as culture medium thickness is fixed, it enabled to measure only designated colony by fixed binary coefficient.

Accurate measurement decreases when in measuring a widespread colony.

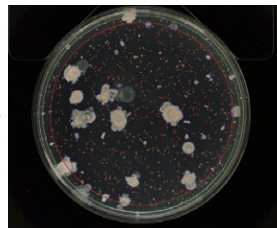
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Problem solution

It measures only the area measured accurately and enables CFU conversion.



▶ Original image



▶ Measured image

Reason

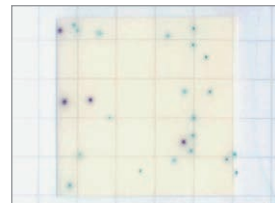
In terms of automatic measurement, widespread colonies can be excluded automatically from measurement objects. Measurable areas are automatically calculated and it enables accurate CFU conversion.

Existing measuring devices is unable to measure separately in terms of various color case.

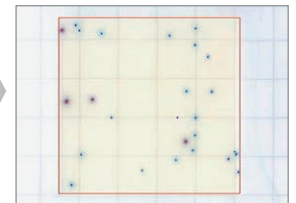
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Problem solution

Max 4 kinds of colonies can be measured individually. For example, "separate by 4 different colors", "separate by 2 different colors and sizes", "separate by different colors and brightness". It is possible to set conditions appropriately up to culture medium and colonies.



▶ Original image



▶ Measured image

Reason

This device is equipped with color camera. Setting can be done easily by simple clicking the measurement objects on the display.

We provide solution about further problems below.

Problems

1

Various shape of colonies is possible to measure automatically?

2

Colonies with residue are possible to measure?

3

Various size of colonies is possible to measure automatically?

4

Very tiny and thin colonies are possible to measure?

5

Colonies are big and sticking together, then is it possible to measure under this condition?

6

Is it possible to compare visual measuring result and the result of automatic one.



Solutions

Colonies are selected by the brightness and their color information, therefore it does not matter for the shape.

As long as colonies and residues size are different, it is possible to measure.

It is possible to measure by expanding measurement area.

It is possible to measure all as colony, for instance, brighter objects than culture medium.

It is possible to measure separately by overlapping function.

Visual measurement enables to measure marked petri dish by marker.

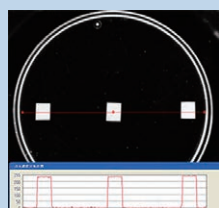
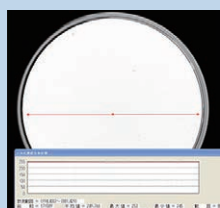
It enables accurate measurement even culture media with unclear colonies or uneven thickness.

Uniform light source solves slight difference between culture medium and colonies.

Necessity of uniform light source over the whole petri dish.

In order to measure accurately, it is necessary to have hardware with even light source and adjustment by software even culture medium has uneven conditions. Uniform light source can be performed both hardware and software aspects.

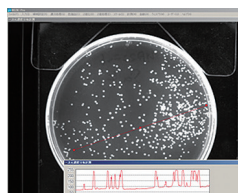
High accurate measurement can be achieved by calibrating brightness of culture medium which has uneven thickness.



Even light source in 90 φ Petri dish exposed to both bright field and dark field.

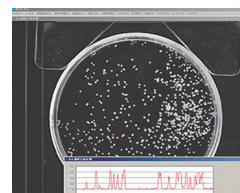
Brightness graph in bright field and dark field.

Normal



Inclination can be seen on the background image with monochrome conversion.

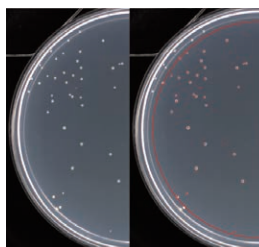
After calibration



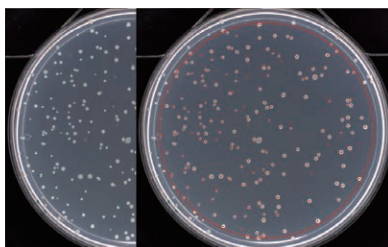
Background of monochrome image with calibration can be processed by software.

Counting accuracy of colonies with different quantities

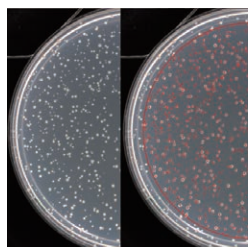
Colonies with approx. 50 units



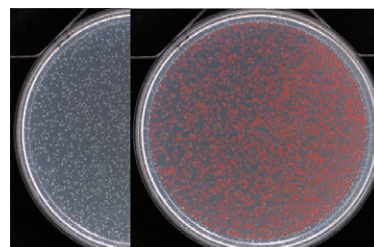
Colonies with approx. 200 units



Colonies with approx. 1000 units



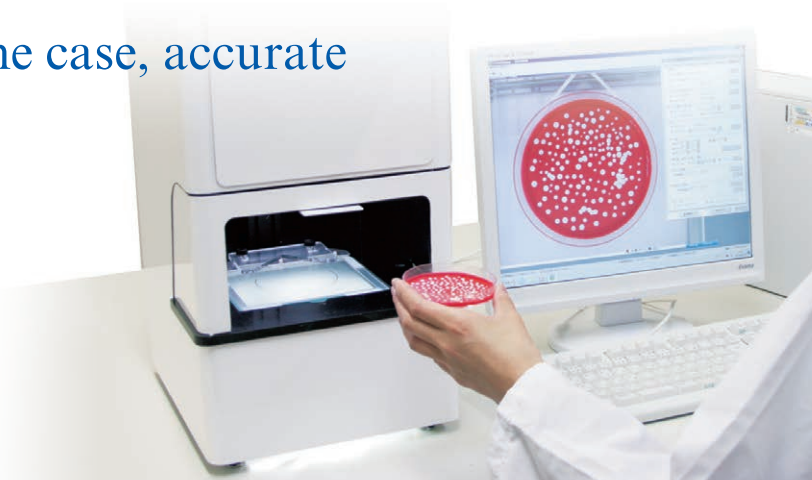
Colonies with approx. 4000 units



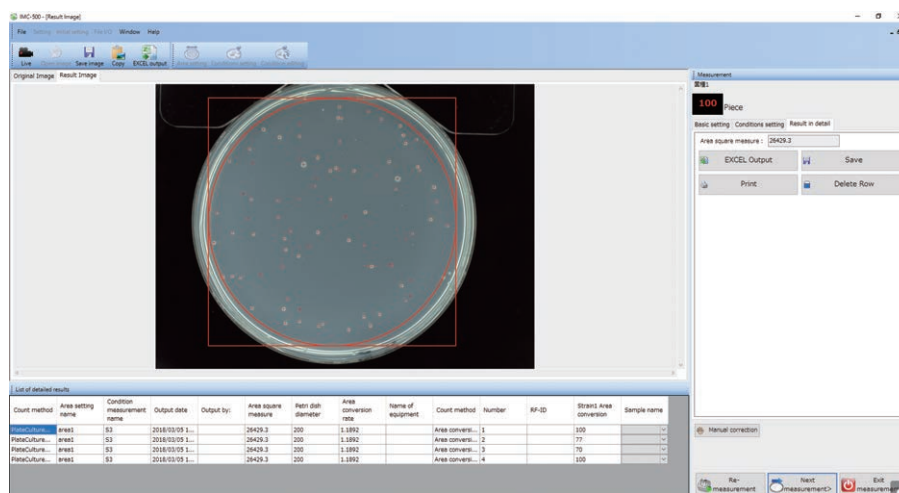
Under the same measurement condition, accurate counting can be achieved regardless of colony quantities.

Moreover, accurate counting can be achieved even if there is residue or a sedimentation.

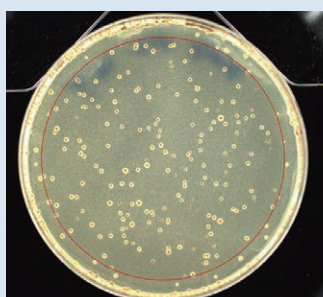
But depends on colony, in some case, accurate counting may not be possible.



High accurate counting can be achieved with various colony quantities



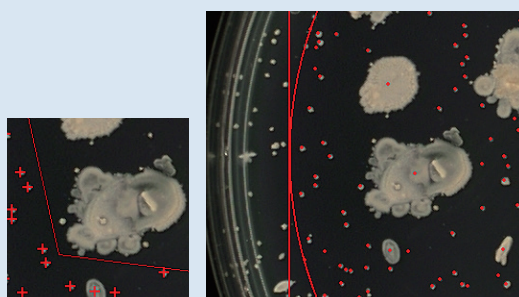
Measurement functions when there is a residue or a sedimentation



Measured by difference between a colony and other features

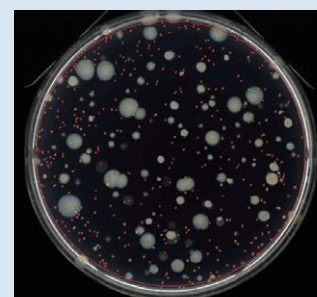
It enables to measure if there is difference of colony, residue, sedimentation, size, brightness and color.

Automatic delete function for a widespread colony



Unclear part can be removed your designated area by PC's mouse. Removed part would be converted into area calculation.

Manual adjustment for measurement result



Automatic calculation with manual adjustment

1. Specify the size and range of target colony.
2. Area that needs to be checked by human can be added or deleted by manual mode. Combination of automatic and manual is possible.

Measuring result can be displayed or transferred to Excel file.

In a default setting, Petri Dish No, the number of colonies and the measurement area will be displayed on a software.

Measuring result can be transformed to Excel sheet or CSV file.

Count method	Area setting name	Condition measurement name	Output data	Output by:	Area square measure	Petri dish diameter	Area conversion rate	Name of equipment	Count method	Number	RF-ID	Strain Area conversion	Sample name
Area conversion	area1	S3	2018/03/05 1...		26429.3	200	1.1892		Area conversion	1		100	
Area conversion	area1	S3	2018/03/05 1...		26429.3	200	1.1892		Area conversion	2		77	
Area conversion	area1	S3	2018/03/05 1...		26429.3	200	1.1892		Area conversion	3		70	
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Display on the software

Export to Excel file

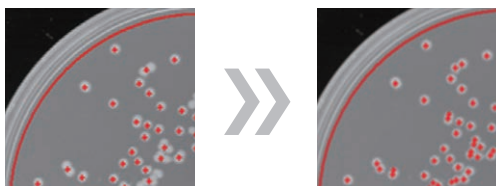
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10	2	77	0	0	0	1	1	0.00 × 10 ⁰ S3		
11	3	70	0	0	0	1	1	0.00 × 10 ⁰ S3		
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Display in Excel Data File

Standard software can be managed various kind of specimen like circle, rectangle and spiral type.

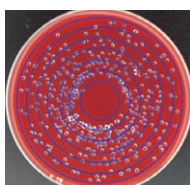
Overlap differentiation function

Overlapping colonies can be automatically separated for individual measurement.



Spiral measurement function

Standard software includes spiral colony measurement.



Any kind of spiral plater can be used by changing the area freely and it corresponds to 2 patterns (Ring type and Spiral type). A ring type can output the number of colonies and spiral type can output cumulated colony within measurable area.

Adjustment function for uneven brightness

Even uneven thickness of culture medium can be adjusted brightness and measure with high accuracy.

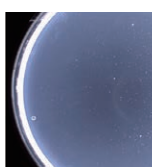


Image of uneven thickness



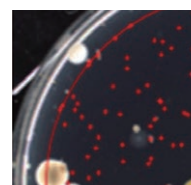
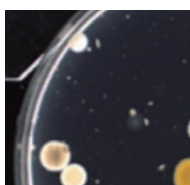
Simple binarized image



Image of adjustment function

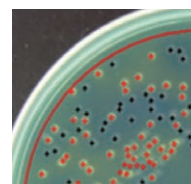
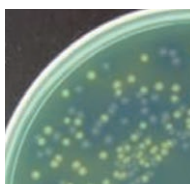
Selective counting function by size

Due to selecting counting function by size, it enables to remove scattered colonies and count.



Separate measurement by color extraction

Up to four types of colonies can be measured separately in different colors.



● Software

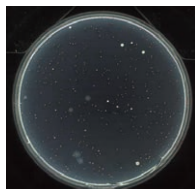
Functions	Common features of PSF-1000/ PSF-2000
Measurement result indicator	Bacteria Colony: Number of colony, measurement area
Binarization methods selection	Manual binarization, Binarization by color extraction
Preprocessing for binarization	Adjustment of uneven brightness (in case of uneven thickness of culture medium)
Offset	Offset of binarized colony
Selection by size (Options available)	Decide the range of target colony depending on colony size
Overlap differentiation	Automatically separate and measure overlapping colonies
Save process	Save process for each colony specimen recipe
Manual deletion function	Manually designated area deletion of colonies or dimension by a mouse
Manual calibration measurement	After automatic counting, if colony counting has error, it enables to calibrate manually adding or removing
Image saving	Original image, image with counting mark
Spiral counting	Counts the number of colonies by the spiral method
Data output/ saving	Output to Excel sheet/ save in a CSV format
Recalculation	Recalculation by retrieving saved images
Regular inspection function	For validation of the equipment, manual calibration is not allowed in the measurement

Japan's top Automatic Colony Counter with wide variety of measurement cases.

General viable bacteria

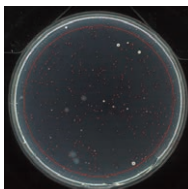
Normal agar media, general viable bacteria, all colony counting in the measurement area

▶ Original image



Normal agar media, general viable bacteria

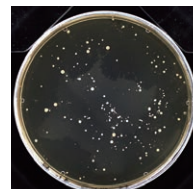
▶ Measured image



All colony counting in the measurement area
Image is without manual correction

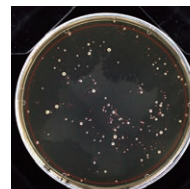
Lactic bacteria

▶ Original image



All colony counting with a petri dish cover
If condensation has small mist, it enables to measure with cover.

▶ Measured image



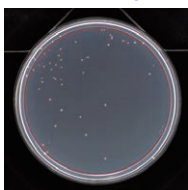
Mutagen testing (Ames)

If the number of colonies increases or decreases, it enables to count accurately on the same setting regardless of the number of colonies.

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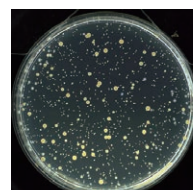


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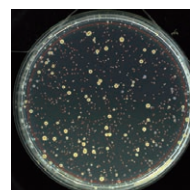
Food industry and food distribution industry

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Measurement of general viable bacteria (All colony counting in the measurement area)

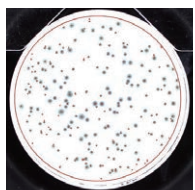
▶ Measured image



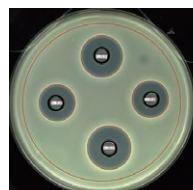
Pharmaceutical industry

It enables to measure colony, inhabitation zone in one device.

Plaque



Inhabitation zone measurement



Optional software is required for inhabitation zone measurement.

Specimen examples for each machines

Compares to PSF-1000, PSF-2000 can shoot sharper image with high contrast of colonies and culture media, therefore it can enhance measurement accuracy of tiny colonies.

Image of PSF-1000 type with top light

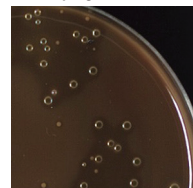
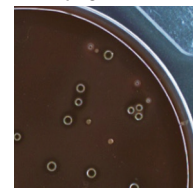


Image of PSF-2000 type with top light

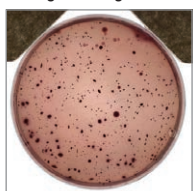


Due to clearer image of PSF-2000, it enables to enhance measurement accuracy for thin colony or same color colonies.

Water Analysis industry

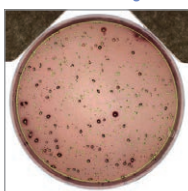
Desoxycholate medium, Original image of coliform bacteria

▶ Original image

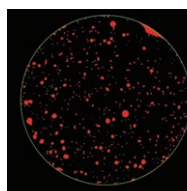


Desoxycholate medium, Original image of coliform bacteria

▶ Measured image



Desoxycholate Coliform bacteria colonies
Measured image bigger than 0.5mm



Selected image in setting condition
The area marked color is the colonies bigger than 0.5mm.

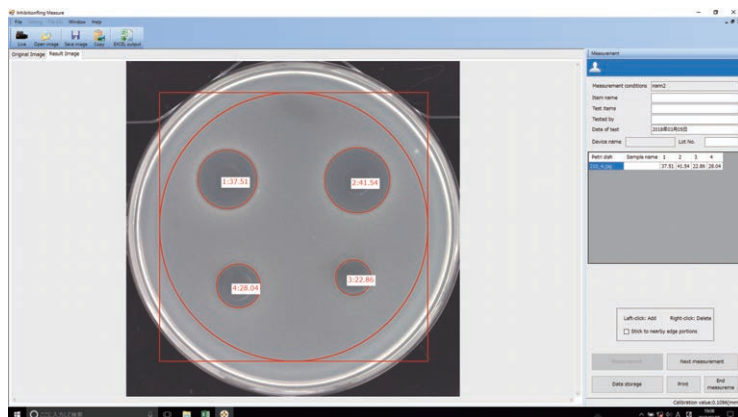
Hardware



	PSF-2000	PSF-1000
Dimensions of main unit	Approx. W280×D320×H620	Approx. W300×D350×H620
Weight	Main unit: Approx. 17kg	Main unit: Approx. 15kg
Power Source	AC100-110V 50/60Hz	
System configuration	Main Unit, (PC and Monitor are sold separately)	
Operating environment	10-35°C, 20-80% humidity	
Camera Resolution	5.0- megapixel CMOS	3.0- megapixel CMOS
Specification of camera	Color camera	
Measurement object	Viable bacteria colonies on a petri dish	
Size of petri dish	90 mm diameter or less	
Measurement size	0.1 mm per 90 mm-viewing field	
Measurement time	Approx. 1 to 3 seconds per petri dish	
Maximum number of colonies	Approx. 8000 viable bacteria colonies	
Lighting method	Dark field, bright field, top light	

Option

Inhabitation Zone Measurement Software


 Safety Precaution

- ☐ Make sure to read the instruction manual carefully before use.
- ☐ Specifications and appearance of products may change due to further improvement without prior notice.
- ☐ The actual color of the product may be slightly different from the printed picture in this brochure.

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