# BIO 201 Lab 5 Experiment 6 Results 

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## Overview

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- Purpose: To determine the number of bacteria in a sample (quantitative procedure).
- Looking for a Countable Plate: 30-300 bacterial colonies
- TNTC (Too Numerous To Count): more than 300 bacterial colonies
- TFTC (Too Few To Count): less than 30 bacterial colonies



## I. Exp. 6: Standard Plate Count

- To assist in counting use a Quebec Colony Counter
- Select the plate that has between 30-300 bacterial colonies
- Each colony is counted
- Use a wax marking pencil to divide the plate into quarters
- Based on the number of colonies and the dilution, determine the number of bacteria in the original sample.


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- For example: $10^{-4}$ plate appears to have between 30-300 colonies. It is counted and contains 78 bacterial colonies. How many bacteria are in the original 1 ml sample of sponge water?
- 78 colonies $\times 10^{+4}=780,000$ bacteria in original 1 ml
- Based on this number, how many microbes would you anticipate to visualize in the other plates?
- Remember: You didn't count the $10^{0}-10^{-3}$ plates because they appeared TNTC \& the 10-5-10-6 plates appeared TFTC


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, $78 \times 10^{+4}=780,000$ bacteria in original 1 ml - $10^{0}=780,000$ bacteria: TNTC

- $10^{-1}=78,000$ bacteria: TNTC
- $10^{-2}=7,800$ bacteria: TNTC
- $10^{-3}=780$ bacteria: TNTC
- ${ }^{*} 10^{-4}=78$ bacteria: Countable plate
- $10^{-5}=7$ or 8: TFTC
- $10^{-6}=0$ : TFTC

Note: Your calculated result should be the same as the $10^{\circ}$ (if a liquid) or $10^{-1}$ (if a solid)

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- Instructor will demonstrate how to count colonies
- Calculate the number of bacteria in the original 1 ml sponge water sample or rinsed bagged lettuce salad
- Calculate the number of bacteria in the original 10 grams of ground raw turkey meat.


# BIO 201 Lab 5 Experiment 7 \& 8 

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Exp. 7: Temperature Requirements for Growth
II. Exp. 8: Lethal Effect of Heating on Microbes

## I. Exp. 7: Temp. \& Growth

- Purpose: To determine the effects of temperature on microbial growth.
- You will be working with a partner and doing either Exp. 7 OR Exp. 8
- Theory to be discussed in the next lab
- Refer to Table 1 in the Lab Manual
- Instructor will demonstrate and explain the experiment


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।. Exp. 7: Temperature Requirements for Growth
Exp. 8: Lethal Effect of Heating on Microbes

## II. Exp. 8: Lethal Effects of Heat

- Purpose: To determine the time \& temperature it takes to kill certain microbes.
- Theory to be discussed in the next lab
- Refer to Table 2 in the Lab Manual
- Instructor will demonstrate and explain the experiment

