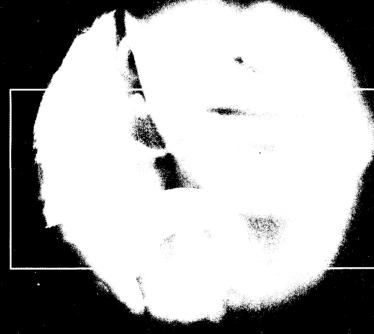
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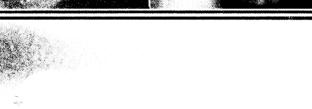
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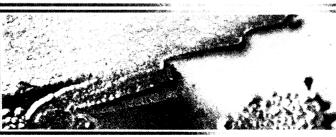


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Klebsiella pneumoniae (Endo agar)



Escherichia coli (Levine E.M.B. agar)



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