

# Continuous Cultivation of Microorganisms

A Review

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## INTRODUCTION

This review includes papers published in 1971 that reached us before the manuscript deadline, as well as those which appeared earlier but were not available in this country. Being aware of the incompleteness of this review, we hope that it is not far from the total number of publications brought out during the period followed. As in the preceding reviews, patents were not pursued on purpose but those on file were listed at the end of the references.

Compared with the year 1970, the number of publications is approximately by one fifth higher, which indicates an increasing interest in continuous processes. This trend was also apparent at the Fifth International Symposium and Study Group on Continuous Culture of Micro-organisms held from July 19 to 24, 1971, at Oxford. The symposium papers were originally published in the Journal of Applied Chemistry and Biotechnology, Vol. 22, Issues 1 to 4, and then (1972) reprinted as a book entitled Environmental Control of Cell Synthesis and Function; Eds. A. C. R. Dean, S. J. Pirt and D. W. Tempest, Academic Press 1972.

## I. FURTHER DEVELOPMENT OF THE THEORY OF CONTINUOUS FERMENTATION

### A. Reviews

A review of selected recent developments of the stoichiometry and kinetic reactions of important biological reactions

70th anniversary of the birth of N. D. Ierusalimskii, promoter of continuous cultivation in the USSR

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Lysine-rich food yeast from petroleum

Influence of continuous processes on British practice in the design of fermentors and auxiliary equipment; automation and computerization of operations

A manual of continuous cultures providing an introduction to the theory and concepts and describing different culture techniques and their potential application

Historical development of continuous cultivations

Reluctance to use continuous cultivations in fermentation industry

A classification scheme dividing continuous beer fermentations into closed, partially closed, and open systems with respect to outflow of yeast cells, and further into homogenous, partially homogenous and heterogeneous with respect to the conditions or phases in the system

Biological aspects in the control of normal and mixed populations, problems of the oscillatory phenomena

A review of publications dealing with continuous cultures

Large-scale and small-scale continuous processes applied to production of pharmaceutical substances, organic chemicals, to drying and to treatment of sewage and trade wastes

Two classification groups: (a) main system types; (b) basic types of fermentation processes, used for the selection of the fermentation system and for the evaluation of the economic factors

Submersed cultivation of mammalian cells

A monograph; kinetics and energetics of yeast growth, nutrition, physiology and biochemistry of yeasts

A review of enzyme production a short part of which deals with continuous processes

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## B. Basic contributions and mathematical theory

Functional equations describing a population dynamics of bacteria; the individual cells are due to experience a cycle of growth and division during the proliferation period

The basic kinetic relationships of biological processes used for waste-water treatment

A dynamic model used for the prediction of the process performance during start-up operations of anaerobic digesters, other transient conditions and the frequency of digester failure

A mathematical model for the production of gramicidin S based on the division of the age of a cell into two phases — an immature and a mature one

A mathematical description of oxygen diffusion from flowing medium to microbial slime layer and description of the computer programme

Growth kinetics of heterogeneous microbial populations of sewage origin

Interaction of macromixing and micromixing in microbial flow stirred reactors in series; a series combination of a plug-flow reactor and a stirred tank reactor

The renewal equation describing the periodic change of the growth rate in an externally synchronized cell population

Classification of fermentations and fermentors and formulation of models for the growth of pure cultures of both the unicellular and filamentous organisms

Perspectiyes of the application of structured models

Cell yield of heterogeneous populations of sewage origin acclimated to glucose was subjected to statistical analysis; equations were developed to show the effect of different parameters on the stability

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Mathematical models describing variations of specific growth rates, generation times, concentrations of substrates and products in anaerobic mixed digester populations

An approximate prediction of the steady-state bacterial density, glucose and lactate concentrations using either a graphical technique or a method based on the kinetic model of the batch culture

From a graphical analysis a mathematical model is derived relating growth, glucose utilization and lactic acid formation

Methods for predicting substrate utilization rates of urea, CO<sub>2</sub> production rates of extracellular metabolites, photosynthetic quotients as functions of specific growth rate and growth limiting conditions obtained from variables of an algae propagator

Microbial growth rate equations for theoretical systems deficient in or having an excess of substrate

Kinetic studies of relationship between productivity of cell mass and dilution rate and the effect of operating conditions

Analogue computer modelling of microbial inhibitor interrelations

Steady-state kinetic models of waste treatment employing suspended or fluidized cultures of microorganisms for two completely mixed biological process configurations and for a plug flow modification with and without microorganism recycle are presented

A model considering the anaerobic decomposition of organic wastes as a series of bacterially mediated reactions. The yield of organisms is a function of the reaction energetics and the concentration of all components is a function of the cellular retention time

A mechanistic model of the growth kinetics of yeast utilizing a liquid hydrocarbon as sole carbon source

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Numerical solutions of the appropriate transient equation for the enzymatic reaction inhibited by substrate; it is shown how the system approaches stable steady-state in instances where there are three possible steady-state points

Theory of a chemostat with feedback extended to include concentration of the biomass outside or inside the culture vessel by some mechanical means

A theory of diffusion control within hollow fiber catalysts for insolubilized enzymes is derived; effectiveness factors are calculated and formulas for reactant conversion in both a fixed-bed and a continuous-feed stirred reactor are derived

A nonlinear mathematical model solved by a perturbation technique describes the rate of diffusion-coupled biochemical reactions of the cellulose conversion to protein

Mathematical modelling of bacterial reactions concerned with the effect of substrate concentration on growth rate, with the segregation effects, with the prediction of steady states and transient responses to changes in substrate concentration and dilution rate

Mathematical modelling of microbial reactions in batch, steady-state and transient experiments

Two kinetic models used for cell production and for biological waste treatment

A variant of the Monod's model modified for endogenous metabolism and used for prediction of transient behaviour under certain conditions

Some of the sources of error in dynamic models of experimental transient responses of continuous culture

Deterministic mathematical models considering important variables, such as the distributed concentration of substrates, phenotypes and the total biomass of microbial systems possessing two growth-

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Stabilization of a cultivator with feedback of the population solved by means of phase space methods and optimal control

Examination of a statistical model for growth by solving the partial differential integral equations

The importance of wall growth below the surface of the culture in evaluating continuous culture data

Determination of kinetic parameters of the fitted steady-state model which are strong functions of temperature; the transient response of the culture and the dynamic lag depend on the nature and direction of the temperature step change

Importance of micromixing in growth processes and the influence of segregation on the rate of cell production

Equations of the transfer rates of substrates and products into and out of cells, the rates of heat production and of biomass production, and the exchange rates of heat and matter

Economy of mathematical models, reaction kinetics and flow pattern of the enzymatic reactions and of the production of enzymes

Dynamics models for anaerobic digestion of organic wastes

A model for the performance of algal population using a mathematical expression for the high response curve of photosynthesis

Product feedback repression model used for analog computer simulation of cytochrome oscillations

Parameters for individual cell growth obtained by use of an integral-differential equation based on limitation caused by slow flux through the cell surface

A mathematical model based on a theoretical and experimental understanding of bacterial growth on heptane

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## II. PHYSIOLOGY OF MICROORGANISMS AND PRODUCT FORMATION

### A. Physiology and metabolic studies

A logarithmic loss of viability due to unbalanced growth of a part of the population at the beginning of each cycle during an induced synchronization of cell division in a semicontinuous culture system

Cultivation of yeast on methanol

Sensitivity of algae to temperature resulting in changes of cell number, mean cell size and dry weight per wet cell volume in nitrate limited cultures

Influence of formic acid and of temperature treatment of milk on the growth of lactobacilli and on the formation of acetaldehyde, acetoin and diacetyl

Increase in glucose concentration has a marked effect on fatty-acid composition of some yeasts; these changes correlate with a decrease in the oxidative degradation of glucose and therefore indicate a possible decrease in mitochondrial lipid

Fatty-acid content, repression of mitochondrial structures, amino acid pool, aerobic and fermentative metabolism of yeast cells grown at increasing concentrations of glucose and galactose and at decreasing oxygen tensions

Maintenance coefficient for glucose and for oxygen, nonlinear relationship between growth rate and glucose utilization rate and the effect of oxygen tension on the morphology

A mode of death acceleration by glycerol, glucose and pyruvate of cells limited by glycerol; prevention of this effect by 3'-5' cyclic AMP

The growth of microorganisms in media where oil had been maintained as the continuous phase

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Effects of the specific growth rate and of the incident light intensity on algal biomass productivity and algal physiology

Independent control of nuclear and plasmid ploidy by growth conditions in normal medium and under phosphate starvation

Sensitivity of yeasts to oxygen supply during different stages of the cell cycle in a cyclone column apparatus

Effect of drugs on bacteria and their metabolism

Sustained oscillations in light absorption when bacteria are allowed to respire in a non-growing state in a system open to oxygen

Dependence of two pathways of pyruvate conversion: a reduction to lactate and phosphoelastic cleavage on the dilution rate; requirement of lactate dehydrogenase for fructose-1,6-diphosphate and manganous ions

Anaerobic cultivation of pure strains of methanogenic bacteria growing on a mixture of hydrogen and carbon dioxide

White light induction of  $\beta$ -carotene formation in streptomycin-bleached algae influenced by the type of carbon source and aeration

Microbial degradation of aliphatic and branched hydrocarbons, metabolic mechanisms, transport, role of oxygen, metabolic products, cultivation, growth kinetics, yield, productivity and separation

The ionic polymer composition of the cell walls of bacilli

Assimilation of  $\text{NO}_3^-$  and  $\text{NH}_4^+$  during light-dark cycles with cultures of the phytoplankton; measurement of the activities of N-assimilating enzymes in cell-free extracts

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A method embodying some features of batch and continuous cultivation for the selective production of heat resistant spores

Anomalous growth yields, energy of maintenance, and energetic uncoupling

Relationship between specific growth rate and substrate concentration, evaluation of the saturation constant

The rate of sulphur oxidation as a function of surface area of the sulphur globules

Phosphorus content (lipid, cold water extractable, RNA, and DNA fractions) in yeast cells limited by glucose

Inhibitory effect of cycloheximide on the growth rate and activity of the cytochrome C group of yeast cells; chloramphenicol stimulation of fermentation and reduction of the efficiency of glucose utilization

Effect of external conditions on yield coefficient and both potential and *in situ* respiration rates of facultative anaerobes

Inhibition of acetylene-reducing activity and nitrogen-fixing capacity by oxygen and dimorphism of colonies

Examination of the initiation of morphogenesis in the sporulating organisms during vegetative growth

Cultivation of bacteria in a dialysis fermentor with aeration by dialysis transfer of oxygen

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- Effect of phosphate, arginine or Na acetate limitation on growth and chlorosis of algae
- Indirect proportionality between growth inhibition by pH and stimulation of organic acid formation in lactate-containing media
- Limitation of marine bacteria by glucose, lactate, and glycerol
- Fermentation of some amino acids via pyruvate to acetate in which more acetate than could be accounted for from the metabolized glucose is formed
- Growth energy obtained from pyruvate metabolism by a lipoic acid-dependent mechanism of streptococci grown anaerobically on glucose
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- Dependence of rubella virus replication on growth rate of host cells, on composition of culture media and on dilution rate
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- Mixed population of two strains one of which is amino acid-producing and the other one amino acid-requiring
- Elemental composition of the microbes formed in the rumen fermentation; measurement of volatile fatty acids, methane, carbon dioxide and ammonia
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- Details of construction and procedures for operation of the cyclone column cultivator
- A versatile fermentor of novel design for cultivation of wide range of microorganisms and tissue cells
- An integrated system permitting on-line monitoring of the "state" of a microbial process, automatic manipulation of appropriate control variables
- A 30-litre fully automated apparatus for growing cells of higher organisms
- A microchamber enabling microcinematographical registration of individual cells or coenobia of algae
- Examples of biochemical reactors, their design and factors governing their selection
- A system coupling a fermentor with a digital computer, 22 variables and eight events plus elapsed time are being logged, some specific examples of possible closed-loop control of a fermentation process are given
- A respirometer suitable for continuous operation. To produce a mass balance of oxygen, the tape record of the amount of oxygen supplied to the culture by the electrolysis of water is combined with a continuous recording of the concentration of dissolved oxygen entering and leaving the reactor
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- Simultaneous continuous analysis of sugar, amino-N, protein and nitrate
- Feed-back and instrumentation systems applied to measuring or controlling process variables
- Completely equipped laboratory fermentors with all usual control features (including dissolved oxygen)
- Aseptic metering pumps, process control, analytical instrumentation and continuous sterilization of culture media
- The main system types are described as: (a) open (free cell overflow); (b) closed (restricted cell overflow); (c) homogeneous (stirred); (d) heterogeneous (stratified)
- Continuous flow laboratory reactors and batch reactors for aerobic biological waste water treatment seeded from continuous flow unit
- A small-scale automatic apparatus for induction of synchronized cell division
- Scheme of yoghurt production
- Large scale cyclone column fermentor for phased culture
- Apparatus for cultivation of pure strains of methanogenic bacteria
- A dialyser-dialysis culture system composed of a fermentor and a separate medium reservoir with culture aeration by dialysis gas transfer
- Schematic flowsheet of 5-litre fermentor
- Apparatus for the accumulation of heterotrophic algae exposed to light
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- algae cultures exposed to clock-controlled cycles
- Design of a small laboratory chemostat (see IIB/174)
- Cultivation equipment for anaerobes and pathogens (see IIB/187, 170)
- Automated bioassay of antibiotics (see IID/198)
- Schematic outline of a process to produce quarg in a system composed of a stirred fermentor, a plug-flow fermentor and a separator in series (see IID/200)
- Diagram of chemostat and of the auxiliary equipment for the cultivation of plant cells in suspension culture (see IIE/204)
- A versatile glass apparatus for cultivation of plant cells equipped with fully automatic sampling device and regulation of the optical density (see IIE/206, 207)
- A two-stage apparatus for cultivation of protozoa utilizing bacteria (see IIF/210)
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Investigation of the individual effects of radial gradients and axial mixing on the steady state and on the stability characteristics of a tubular reactor with recycle

A mechanistic model consisting of a dual backmix region and deadspace in series with a plug-flow region was applied for evaluation of residence time distribution functions for the flow of viscous fluids through stirred reactors

A procedure for calculation and determination of the volumetric mass-transfer coefficient (oxygen) in a series of fermentors

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Growth of yeast cells on a simple defined medium with <i>n</i> -dodecane as sole carbon source	(see IIA/126; IB/38)
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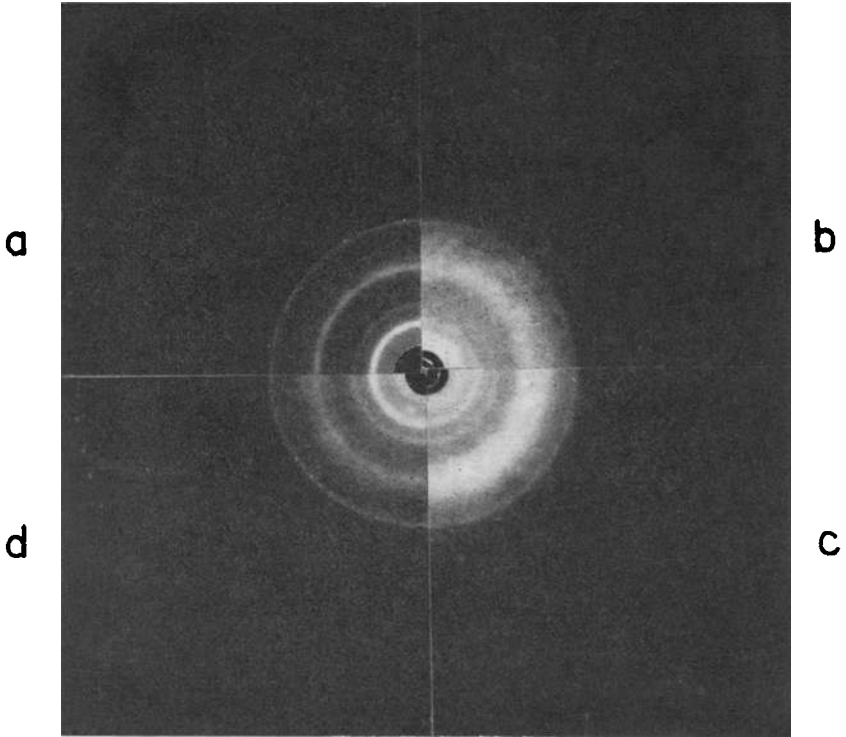


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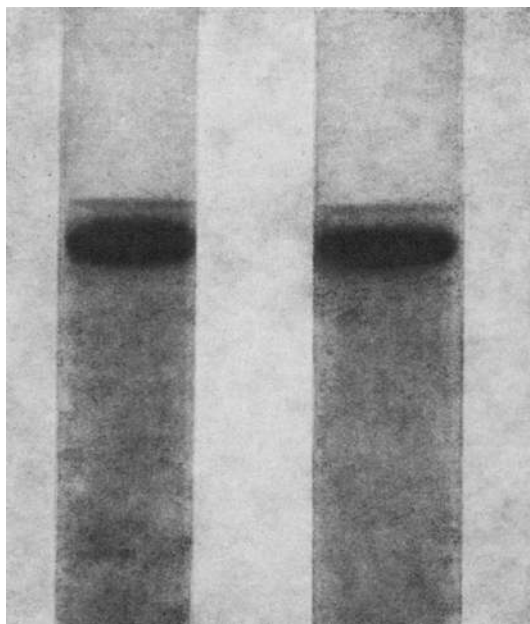


PLATE 1. Acrylamide gel electrophoresis of megaterioproteinase A (right) and S (left). Samples of 100  $\mu$ g of enzyme protein. Reservoir buffer: Tris-glycine (pH 8.3) without  $\text{Ca}^{2+}$ . Anode top, cathode at bottom.

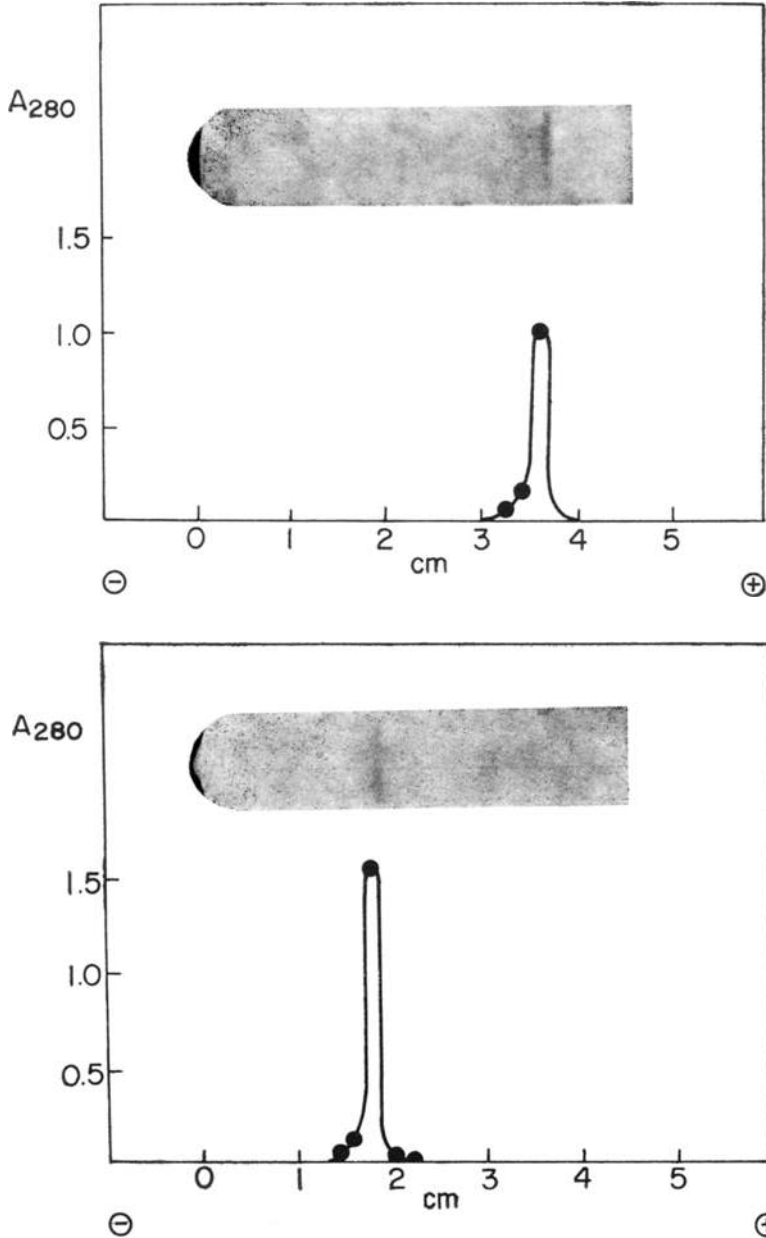


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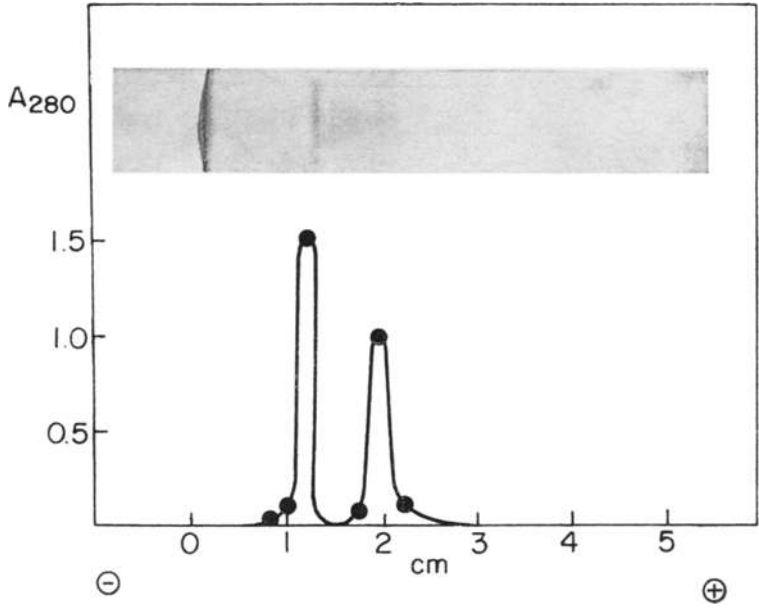


PLATE 3. Acrylamide gel electrophoresis of a mixture of megaterioproproteinases A and S. 50  $\mu$ g of megaterioproproteinase A were mixed with 50  $\mu$ g of megaterioproproteinase S before applying to the gel column. Reservoir buffer and enzyme activity were as described in Plate 2.

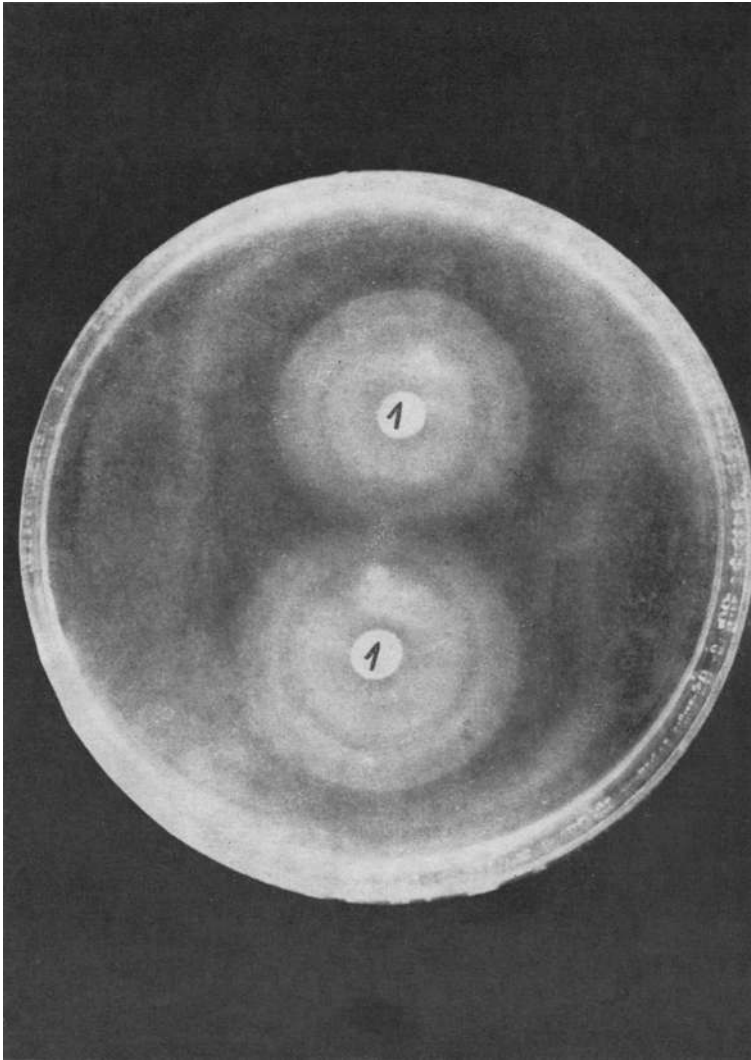


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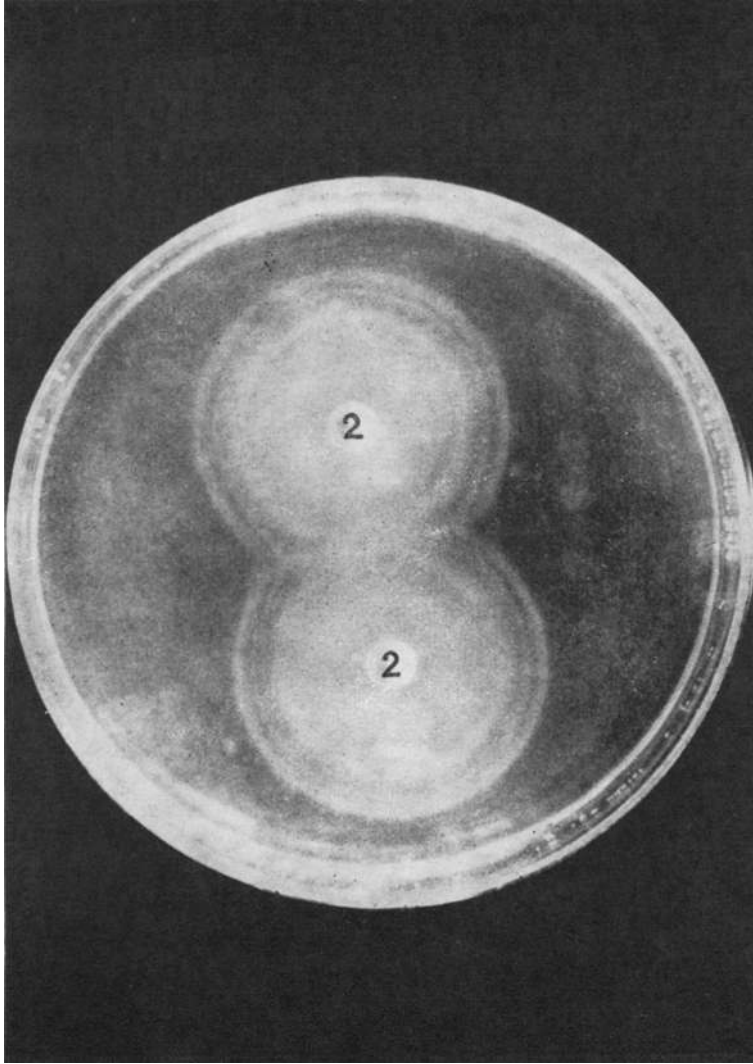


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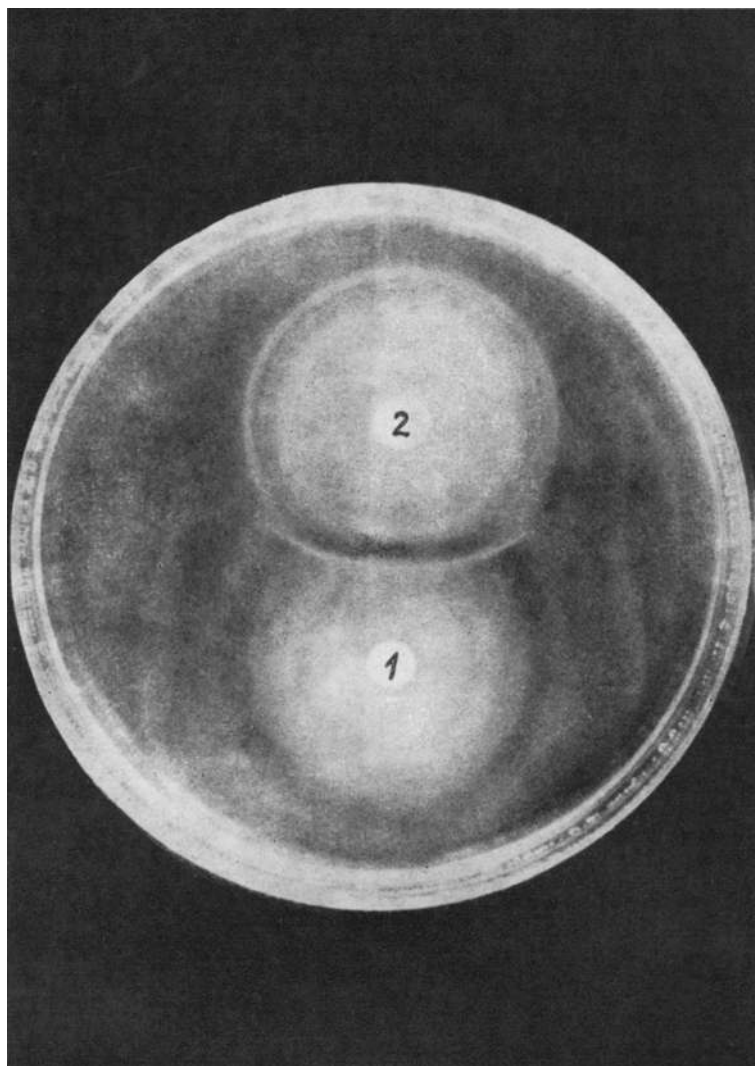


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