## COPAS<sup>TM</sup> Protocol #SP-12



# Sample Preparation Protocol SP-12 Preparing L-Growth Media

### **Materials**

Distilled water Clean flask Graduated cylinder L-Growth Media Heat source Microtiter plates

#### **Procedure**

#### Preparation:

- 1. Measure 72 ml of distilled water using a graduated cylinder
- 2. Add distilled water to a clean flask
- 3. Heath the water over low heat
- 4. Add entire contents of one (1) package of L-Growth Media into the warm water and stir
- 5. Continue stirring and bring mixture to a low boil. Boil until Media begins to thicken, approximately 15 minutes.
- 6. Cool Media to at least 60°C. Media must be cooled further before using on flies.

#### Use:

- 1. After sorting flies into the wells, add food to wells.
  - a. 50 µl of food per well for small staged fly larvae
  - b. 100 µl of food per well for large staged fly larvae
- 2. Apply mesh onto plate and heat-seal.
- 3. Incubate for continued growth.