

A highly viscous solution of the nucleate in distilled water in a concentration of 1 mg. per cc. was used. 1.0 cc. amounts of heated and unheated sera diluted in saline as shown in the preceding protocol were mixed in Ostwald viscosimeters with 4.0 cc.

TABLE III  
*Differential Heat Inactivation of Enzymes in Dog and Rabbit Serum Which Destroy the Transforming Substance*

	Heat treatment of serum	Dilution*	Triplicate tests					
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			Diffuse growth	Colony form	Diffuse growth	Colony form	Diffuse growth	Colony form
Dog serum	Unheated	Undiluted	-	R only	-	R only	-	R only
		1:5	-	R "	-	R "	-	R "
		1:25	-	R "	-	R "	-	R "
	60°C. for 30 min.	Undiluted	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:5	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:25	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
	65°C. for 30 min.	Undiluted	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:5	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:25	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
Rabbit serum	Unheated	Undiluted	-	R only	-	R only	-	R only
		1:5	-	R "	-	R "	-	R "
		1:25	-	R "	-	R "	-	R "
	60°C. for 30 min.	Undiluted	-	R only	-	R only	-	R only
		1:5	-	R "	-	R "	-	R "
		1:25	-	R "	-	R "	-	R "
	65°C. for 30 min.	Undiluted	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:5	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:25	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
Control (no serum)	None	Undiluted	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:5	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII
		1:25	+	SIII	+	SIII	+	SIII

\* Dilution of the digest mixture of serum and transforming substance.

of the aqueous solution of the nucleate. Determinations of viscosity were made immediately and at intervals over a period of 24 hours during incubation at 37°C.

The results of this experiment are graphically presented in Chart 1. In the case of unheated serum of both dog and rabbit, the viscosity fell to that of water in 5 to 7 hours. Dog serum heated at 60°C. for 30 minutes brought about