growth rate

in biotechnology

The measure (h^{-1}, d^{-1}) of the rate of growth or multiplication of an organism or a culture, usually expressed as specific growth rate (the increase of mass or cell number per time unit referred to the unit of mass, $\frac{d(\ln X)}{dt}$).

Source:

PAC, 1992, 64, 143 (Glossary for chemists of terms used in biotechnology (IUPAC Recommendations 1992)) on page 156