**PREPARATION OF DIALYSIS TUBING**

1. Cut the tubing into pieces of convenient length (10–20 cm).

2. Boil for 10 minutes in a large volume of 2% (w/v) sodium bicarbonate and 1 mM EDTA (pH 8.0).

3. Rinse the tubing thoroughly in distilled water.

4. Boil for 10 minutes in 1 mM EDTA (pH 8.0).

5. Allow the tubing to cool, and then store it at 4°C. Be sure that the tubing is always submerged. From this point onward, always handle the tubing with gloves.

6. Before use, wash the tubing inside and out with distilled water.

**Note**

Instead of boiling for 10 minutes in 1 mM EDTA (pH 8.0) (step 4), the tubing can be autoclaved at 20 lb/sq. in. for 10 minutes on liquid cycle in a loosely capped jar filled with water.