

MICROBIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE		
<b>Department:</b> Microbiology	SOP No.:	
Title: Calibration of Slit to Agar Air Sampler	<b>Effective Date:</b>	
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### 1.0 OBJECTIVE

To describe the procedure for calibration of Slit – To – Agar air sampler.

### 2.0 SCOPE

This SOP is applicable for calibration of Slit – To – Agar air sampler installed in microbiology department.

### 3.0 RESPONSIBILITY:

3.1 Doing : Technical Assistant(QC)/Executive3.2 Checking : Electrical Engineer (Eng. Dept.)

### **4.0 ACCOUNTABILITY:**

Head of the department.

### 5.0 PROCEDURE

Frequency: Once in a year.

- 5.1 There are three levels, necessary to calibrate the Slit To Agar air sampler.
- 5.2 **LEVEL** 1
- **5.2.1** Check calibration with air velocity.
- **5.2.2** Take sample of air and monitor its air velocity with anemometer and record 8 reading and take average.
- **5.2.3** Calculate volume in CFM by multiplying outer area with average air velocity.
- **5.2.4** Record the result in Annexure-I.
- 5.3 LEVEL -2
- 5.3.1 This test calibration is accomplished by removing the battery voltage and replacing the battery with variable power supply, and observing at what voltage the low light illuminate.
- **5.3.2** The use of a fluke 73 series volt meter or equal is utilized to accomplish this task.



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5.3.3 The low voltage warning light should turn on at approximately  $10.5V \pm 3\%$ . Record test data in Annexure -I.

## 5.4 **LEVEL** – 3

**5.4.1** General inspection of portable Slit - To - Agar air sampler light, switches, and battery should be done at this time and it should be noted in Annexure – I.

## 6.0 ABBREVIATIONS

% = Percentage

CFM = Cubic feet per minute

LPM = Litre per minute



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CAL	ANNEXURE-I QUALITY CONTROL LABORATO  IBRATION OF SLIT – TO – AGAR AIR SA  REF.	
	ISSUE I	OATE: OBY :
PERFORMANCE DATE	DATE OF LAST PERFORMANC DONE	NEXT DUE FOR PERFORMANCE
INSTRUMENT DETAILS  INSTRUMENT NAME	INSTRUMENT MAKE	INSTRUMENT IDENTIFICATION NO.
	ELOCITY BY ANEMOMETER	MODEL No:
Reading. 1 Reading. 2 Reading. 3 Reading. 4	Reading. 5 Reading. 6 Reading. 7 Reading. 8	
TOTAL AIR VELOCITY:  AVERAGE AIR VELOCITY  DUCT AREA	Sq. Ft X AVERAGE VELOCITY	/min. ft/min.
= TOTAL VO		To nun.



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LIMIT: Total Air Volum	ne, Should be equ	al. Or above 5 CI	FM or 141.5 LPM				
CALIBRATION METHOD: (LEVEL – II) METHOD: VOLTAGE			ODEL No:				
INS.NAME	: VOLTMETI	ER	SE	RIAL No:			
LEVEL – II ( Voltage Ch	neck)						
Voltage Reading. 1							
Voltage Reading. 2							
Voltage Reading. 3							
TOTAL VOLTAGE							
AVERAGE VOLTAGE							
LIMIT: Voltage should b	e 10 5 V + 3%		I				
-							
LEVEL – III (General In	spection)						
Check Slit - To - Agar. I	ights, switches, an	d battery should in	n working condition.				
	ACCEPTABLE	:					
N	OT ACCEPTABLE	E :					
111	or need me						
		CONCL	USION				
INSTRUMENT W	ORKING SATISFA	ACTORY	INSTRUMENT NO	OT WORKING SATIS	SFACTORY		
PERFORMED BY		CHECKED BY					
NAME	SIGN.	DATE	NAME	SIGN.	DATE		