



**STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE**

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**1.0 PURPOSE:**

To lay down the procedure for evaluation of UV Light efficacy, so as to demonstrate the effective germicidal action of the UV light.

**2.0 SCOPE:**

This Standard Operating Procedure is applicable at Microbiology Department of .....

**3.0 REFERENCES:**

- 3.1 In – house
- 3.2 SOP “Preparation of Microbial Culture Suspension”
- 3.3 SOP “Preparation, Sterilization and Qualification of the Media.”

**4.0 RESPONSIBILITY:**

- 4.1 Officer or Executive of Microbiology department shall be responsible for preparation of new or revision of existing SOP’s.
- 4.2 Head of the department/designee of respective areas & QA shall be responsible for reviewing the SOP’s.
- 4.3 Plant Head and Head-Quality shall be responsible for approval of SOP.
- 4.4 QA shall be responsible for distribution and control of SOP’s to various departments.

**5.0 ABBREVIATIONS:**

- 5.1 CC : Change Control
- 5.2 CFU : Colony Forming Unit
- 5.3 °C : Degree Celsius
- 5.4 COA : Certificate of analysis
- 5.5 LAF : Laminar Air Flow
- 5.6 ml : Millilitre



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- 5.7 NA : Not Applicable
- 5.8 No. : Number
- 5.9 QA : Quality Assurance
- 5.10 QC : Quality Control
- 5.11 SOP : Standard Operating Procedure
- 5.12 SCDA : Soyabean Casein Digest Agar
- 5.13 UV : Ultra Violet
- 5.14  $\mu\text{m}$  : Micrometer

**6.0 DEFINITION:**

6.1 **Standard Operating Procedure (SOP):** A written authorized procedure, which gives instructions for performing operations.

**7.0 PROCEDURE:**

**7.1 Precaution:**

- 7.1.1 Do not look into the UV light when it is switched ON.
- 7.1.2 Supplier COA of each UV light tube should be checked (if available).

**7.2 Validation/Qualification:**

- 7.2.1 Prepare SCDA media as per the Current version of "Preparation, Sterilization and Qualification of the Media."
- 7.2.2 Sterilize the media as per the validated cycle and transfer it to LAF. Allow the media to cool up to 45°C.
- 7.2.3 Pour approximately 15 - 20 ml of media aseptically in sterilized Petri plate and allow them to solidify.
- 7.2.4 Mark 22 plates with name of one culture & date. Make set of 5 marked plates & mark them 5 min, 15 min, 30 min and 45 min per set. Mark 2 of the plates as positive control plates.
- 7.2.5 Prepare & Keep two SCDA plate without inoculation as Negative control.



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- 7.2.6 Prepare culture suspensions containing 10-100 cfu's as per current version of SOP "Preparation of Microbial Culture Suspension".
- 7.2.7 Inoculate 22 SCDA plates each with 1ml volume of suspension containing 10-100 cfu's of *Bacillus subtilis* under Biosafety cabinet.
- 7.2.8 Do not expose positive control plates to UV light, these plates shall serve as the initial count.
- 7.2.9 Expose the plates as per the time mentioned in Annexure-1 (i.e. 5 min., 15 min., 30 min. and 45 min). Use a calibrated stopwatch to check the exposure time.
- 7.2.10 Expose the first set of 5 plates as per locations mentioned in Annexure-2 & switch on the UV light for 5 minutes.
- 7.2.11 After 5 minutes collect the plates.
- 7.2.12 Expose the second set of plate on the same locations & switch on the UV light for 15 minutes.
- 7.2.13 Switch "OFF" the UV Light while replacing the plates in between.
- 7.2.14 Repeat the procedure for rest of the time periods for *Bacillus subtilis*.
- 7.2.15 Repeat the whole exercise for *S. aureus*, *Candida albicans*, *A. niger* & EM Isolate.
- 7.2.16 Incubate all the Exposed, Negative & positive control plates at 30-35°C for 72 hrs.
- 7.2.17 After completion of incubation period, note down the results as per the Annexure-3.
- 7.2.18 UV Light shall be replaced positively after 1000 hrs.
- 7.3 Acceptance Criteria for UV light Efficacy:  $\geq 1$  log reduction in 30 Minutes.
- 7.4 The minimum exposure time required under UV Light shall be decided on the basis of the observation of the test conducted.

**8.0 DISTRIBUTION:**

- 8.0 Quality Assurance
- 8.1 Quality Control



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### 9.0 ANNEXURES:

- 9.1 Annexure-1: UV Light Validation Plan.
- 9.2 Annexure-2: Plate exposure Location for UV Light Validation.
- 9.3 Annexure-3: UV Light Efficacy Validation report.

### 10.0 REVISION HISTORY:

Version Number	Revision Details	Effective Date	Ref. Change Control Number
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