

MICROBIOLOGY DEPARTMENT

STANDARD OPERATING PROCEDURE				
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Title: Procedure for Cleaning ad Operation of Laminar Air Flow Unit	Effective Date:			
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#### 1.0 OBJECTIVE:

To lay down a Procedure for cleaning and Operation of Laminar Air Flow Unit.

#### 2.0 SCOPE:

This SOP is applicable for cleaning and Operation of Laminar Air Flow Unit in Microbiology Section of Quality Control Laboratory.

#### 3.0 RESPONSIBILITY:

Officer / Executive - Microbiologist

### 4.0 ACCOUNTABILITY:

Head – QC

### 5.0 PROCEDURE:

### **5.1 GENERAL CONDITIONS:**

- **5.1.1** Magnehelic gauges reading should be within the specified limits.
- **5.1.2** Filter should be cleaned as per schedule / requirements.

#### **5.2 OPERATION:**

- **5.2.1** Connect the main switch to main supply. Switch "ON" the mains.
- **5.2.2** There are two switches and a magnehelic gauge in the side panel of instrument.
  - 1. Air

- 2. Light
- **5.2.3** Clean the working bench of LAF with cotton moistened in filtered 70 % IPA or approved disinfectant as per schedule in a straight and superposed way.
- **5.2.4** The airflow should be kept "ON" for about 30 min before carrying out work under LAF. Check the reading of Magnehelic Gauge; it should be in between 10 to 15 when airflow is ON.
- **5.2.5** During working switch "ON" the tube light. After completion of work switch "OFF" the light and airflow of LAF.
- **5.2.6** After completion of work clean the surfaces of the LAF with filtered 70 % IPA with approved disinfectant as per schedule.
- **5.2.7** Record the operation OF LAF details as per Format, Titled "Operation Log Book" in SOP, Titled "Procedure for Operation and Calibration of Heating Block".

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#### 5.3 CLEANING:

- **5.3.1** All completion of testing activity Air blower will be switched "**OFF**" after 10 minutes from completion of testing activity.
- **5.3.2** Remove the Pre-Filters, put them in Poly Bag and take to the defined or Designed Area at Utility Service Floor for cleaning.
- **5.3.3** Cleaning the Pre-Filters by wiping and clean the Pre Filters using Purified Water followed by Compressed Air.
- **5.3.4** Mop the whole LAF unit with 70 % IPA solution.
- **5.3.5** Frequency of Pre Filter Cleaning Monthly / as or when required / in case of Molecule change over.
- **5.3.6** Carry out the Preventive Maintenance as per the regular schedule.
- 5.3.7 Record the LAF Grill and Pre Filter cleaning details in Annexure-I, Titled "LAF Grill and Pre Filter Cleaning Record".

#### **6.0 REFERENCES:**

Not Applicable

#### 7.0 ANNEXURES:

ANNEXURE No.	TITLE OF ANNEXURE	FORMAT No.	
Annexure - I	LAF Grill and Pre Filter Cleaning Record		

**ENCLOSURES:** SOP Training Record

### 8.0 DISTRIBUTION:

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#### 9.0 ABBREVIATIONS:

IPA	Isopropyl Alcohol
ID No.	Identification Number
LAF	Laminar Air Flow

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QA Quality Assurance QC Quality Control

SOP Standard Operating Procedure



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## **10.0 REVISION HISTORY:**

## **CHANGE HISTORY LOG**

Revision No.	Details of Changes	Reason for Change	<b>Effective Date</b>	<b>Updated By</b>



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### ANNEXURE–I LAF GRILL & PRE-FILTER CLEANING RECORD

**Equipment ID No.:** 

**Frequency:** Monthly / as or when required / in case of Molecule change over.

S.No.	Date	Filter Removed Time	Cleanir From	g Time To	Filter Install Time	Done By Sign & Date	Checked By Sign & Date	Remarks
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