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1.0 OBJECTIVE:

To lay down a procedure for Operation of Air Sampler.

2.0 SCOPE:

This SOP is applicable for Operation of SAS 180 Air Sampler (Make: **International** pbi, Model: **SAS180**) & Hi Media Air Flow Air Sampler (Make: **Hi Media**, Model: **LA 881**) in Microbiology Section of Quality Control Laboratory.

3.0 RESPONSIBILITY:

Officer / Executive - Microbiologist

4.0 ACCOUNTABILITY:

Head – QC

5.0 PROCEDURE:

5.1 Procedure for Operation of SAS 180 Air Sampler

5.1.1 Press “**ON/OFF**” black switch to switch “**ON**” the instrument, a ten seconds visual display will appear displaying the following information:

- INTERNATIONAL PBI
- S/N XXXX
- PRESS ARROWS
FOR NEW MENU SELECTION
- S.SAS 100L or S.SAS 180L
- ID XXXX
- SITE XXXX
- START FOR XX
- DD/MM/YY-HH/MM

5.1.2 There are 6 modes as follows in SAS 180:

- STANDARD MODE
- USER MODE
- PROGRAM MODE
- DELAY MODE
- MULTI MODE
- UTILITY MODE

5.1.3 Press down (▼) arrow for menu selection to modify other pre- set parameters. Press “**ENTER**” for selection of Standard Mode when it appears on the display.

5.1.4 Standard Mode: Indicates the Air Sampler can be set to select one of eight fixed standard sampling volumes. The display will show the following message:



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STANDRAD MODE
DD/MM/YY- HH/MM

5.1.5 Press down (▼) arrow to select one of the eight volumes (10, 20, 30, 50, 100,200,500, and 1000) suppose 1000 is selected and Press “ENTER”. Display will show:

START FOR 1000
DD/MM/YY- HH/MM

5.1.6 USER MODE: Press down (▼) arrow for selection of User Mode and press “ENTER” to enter into the program. Select existed sampling volume other than selected eight volumes. Press “ENTER” for the confirmation of chosen figure.

5.1.7 PROGRAM MODE: Press down (▼) arrow for selection of Program Mode and press “ENTER” to enter into the program. With Program Mode select sampling volume other than selected eight volumes and press “ENTER”.

5.1.8 DELAY MODE: Press down (▼) arrow for selection of Delay Mode and press “ENTER” to enter into the program. With Delay Mode program to delay instrument start. Using up (▲) and down (▼) arrows select delay time (maximum 20 minutes) and press “ENTER”.

5.1.9 MULTI MODE: Press down (▼) arrow for selection of Multi Mode and press “ENTER” to enter into the program. With the help of this program extend the time of sampling with the purpose of obtaining a more representative environmental sample “in actual operating conditions”. (eg. 1000 liters in ten runs of 100 liters at five minute interval) Display shows the following parameters:

5.1.10 INTERVAL TIME: Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for selection of interval time (05, 10, 15, 20, 25, and 30) and press “ENTER”.

5.1.11 NUMBER OF RUNS: Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for selection of no. of runs (2, 10, 15, 20) and press “ENTER”.

5.1.12 SINGLE RUN: Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrow for selection of run volume and press “ENTER”.

5.1.13 TOTAL VOLUME: his shows the volume of air to b aspirated at the end of the cycles. Check if it corrects volume. If not, push “CLEAR” and start again from the beginning and press “ENTER”.

5.1.14 UTILITY MODE: Press down (▼) arrow to reach Utility Mode and press “ENTER”. In this program the following sub menus are listed:



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5.1.15 SET TIME: Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for setting of time and date and press “ENTER” after every selection. Press “ENTER” and check the display for checking date and time.

5.1.16 SAMPLING SITE: The site identification should be changed for samples taken at different sites especially if the results are to be printed. Press up (▲) key to select the first letter or number (1 to 9 an A to Z). Press “ENTER” and repeat selection for 2, 3 and 4 letter or number.

5.1.17 IDENTIFY: Press up (▲) key to select the first letter or number (1 to 9 an A to Z). Press “ENTER” and repeat selection for 2, 3 and 4 letter or number.

5.1.18 LANGUAGE: By default it is set English. No change in this setting.

5.1.19 DISPLAY RECORD: The last 32 samples are memorized in the file “**DISPLAY RECORD**”. Each sample is identified in chronological date order and shows the date, time, operator, site and volume of air sampled. Press “ENTER” to enter into the Display record sub menu. Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for selection of required data. If data has not been inserted h display will show?

5.1.20 PRINT: The sampler should be connected to the printer by connecting cable and press “ENTER”. The data will be printed in chronological order, sample number, day, month, year, hour, site, liters of aspirated volume.

5.1.21 AUTO SWITCH OFF: Don’t use this parameter.

5.1.22 CLEAR RECORD: Press “ENTER” to enter into the “**CLEAR RECORD**” sub menu. This option is used to delete all the data memorized in the “Display Record”. Press “ENTER” to delete all data.

5.1.23 After about five seconds the display will show “**UTILITY MODE**” and all memorized data is deleted.

5.1.24 MODE: If interval time, number of runs and single run is selected in Multi Mode then use this mode. Press “ENTER” to select Mode and by pressing down (▼) select Multi Mode and press “ENTER”.

5.1.25 Press Clear key to reach the main menu. The display will show the following message:

START FOR 1000
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5.1.26 Now push “**START**” button to start the aspiration cycle as desired.

5.1.27 After sampling the display comeback to main menu and show the following message:



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START FOR 1000
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5.1.28 Record the operation details in **Annexure-I**, Titled “**Air Sampler Operation Record**”.

5.2 Procedure for Operation of Hi Media Air Flow Air Sampler

5.2.1 Press “**ON**” yellow switch to switch “**ON**” the instrument, a ten seconds visual display will appear displaying the following information:

- Hi Media Air Flow
- Samplings Type
- Press Start/Prog
- For Programme PRESS PRG Switch
- For Sampling Types

5.2.2 There are 3 modes as follows for Sampling Types:

- Manual
- Programmed seq
- Programmed

5.2.3 MANUAL Press ENTER KEY for menu selection to modify other pre- set parameters. Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for selection of flow/rate per min. press “**ENTER**”.

5.2.4 PROGRAMMED SEQ Press ENTER KEY for menu selection to modify other pre- set parameters. Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for selection of Volume. Press “**ENTER**” then flow rate, press “**ENTER**” for selection of no. of seq., press “**ENTER**” for selection of seq. repeat delay & delay Start.

5.2.5 PROGRAMMED Press ENTER KEY for menu selection to modify other pre- set parameters. Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for selection of Volume. Press “**ENTER**” then flow rate, press “**ENTER**” for selection of no. of seq., press “**ENTER**” for selection of seq. repeat delay & delay Start.

5.2.6 Press “**SET**” yellow switch the instrument, the display will show the following message.

Set Date & Time
Press ENTER

View Samples
Press ENTER

Delete Memory
Press ENTER



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Battery Level

Press ENTER

Reset System

Press ENTER

PID Setting

Press ENTER

Calibration Flow

Press ENTER

Calibration Batt

Press ENTER

Press up (▲) and down (▼) arrows for selection of desirable Parameter and press “ENTER”. For eg. Set Date & Time- Dt./Mnth/Year and press “ENTER”.

5.2.7 CLEAR RECORD: Press “ENTER” to enter into the “CLEAR RECORD” menu. This option is used to back in any function to main Screen.

5.2.8 Now push “START” button to start the aspiration cycle as desired.

5.2.9 After sampling the display comeback to main menu and show the following message:

Samplings Type

Press Start/Prog

5.2.10 Record the operation details in **Annexure-I**, Titled “Air Sampler Operation Record”

6.0 REFERENCES:
Instruction Manual

7.0 ANNEXURES:

ANNEXURE No.	TITLE OF ANNEXURE	FORMAT No.
Annexure – I	Air Sampler Operation Record	

ENCLOSURES: SOP Training Record

8.0 DISTRIBUTION:

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9.0 ABBREVIATIONS:

SOP Standard Operating Procedure
No. Number
QA Quality Assurance
Ltd. Limited
QC Quality Control
ID No. Identification Number

10.0 REVISION HISTORY:

CHANGE HISTORY LOG

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