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1.0 **OBJECTIVE**

1.1 To lay down the Procedure for operation of sterility test manifold.

2.0 SCOPE

2.1 This SOP is applicable for operation of sterility test manifold of Microbiology Department.

3.0 **RESPONSIBILITY**

3.1 Microbiologist

4.0 ACCOUNTABILITY

4.1 QC-Manager

5.0 PROCEDURE

- 5.1 The sterility test manifold is provided with three stations for simultaneous filtration of three samples.
- 5.2 Wrap the sterility test manifold and sterilize as per the SOP.
- 5.3 After sterilization, transfer manifold unit in the sterility testing area through pass box, unwrap the test manifold under the laminar airflow chamber.
- 5.4 Connect the vacuum pump pipe to the vacuum source provided in the manifold.
- 5.5 Slide the filter holder with perforated stopper over the female leur- locking vent port in the station.
- 5.6 Place the sterile hydrophobic edge membrane filters on the three filter holders attached to the manifold.
- 5.7 Fix the assembled holder on the filter holder.
- 5.8 Close the independent valves provided to each station.
- 5.9 Pour the samples into the assembled holder and switch on the vacuum pump.
- 5.10 Filter the samples.
- 5.11 After filtration of the samples, remove the assembled holder.
- 5.12 Aseptically remove the filter paper with a sterilized forceps and proceed as per the testing procedure of the filtered sample.
- 5.13 After completion of analysis disassemble the manifold and transfer to washing area for destruction.

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6.0 ABBREVIATIONS

6.1 SOP - Standard Operating Procedure

7.0 ANNEXURES

7.1 NIL