

SALES LEAFLET 2011

Proficiency Testing Scheme for Pharmaceutical Microbiology (including Cosmetics)

The SENATE Microbiology Proficiency Testing Scheme for Laboratories that carry out Quality Centre testing on Pharmaceutical products offers a comprehensive scheme that has been developed specifically to enable participating laboratories to meet the latest international Pharmacopoeia standards.

Participants are invited to choose from a range of test materials, each of which are presented in a variety of matrix types designed for incorporation directly into the routine workload with the minimum of effort. Each selected distribution will consist of 3 x test materials and each of the 3 samples may have different components. This format enables much greater variation between samples on a single distribution.

Included in each Scheme despatch are the Test Material, Analysis Request Form (ARF), Instruction Sheet and a Safety Data Sheet. Participants have 3 weeks within which to report the results.

Assigned Values Reports are issued 5 days after the Closing Date.

Summary Reports are issued four weeks after the Closing Date.

The SENATE EQA scheme offers participants a unique range of benefits:

- ❖ **Independence:** enables laboratories to satisfy the provisions of accreditation agencies to take part in an independent external proficiency testing scheme
- ❖ **Peace of mind:** enables laboratories to satisfy the requirements of the latest international quality standards
- ❖ **Reliability:** high quality, dependable test materials gives credibility to participants results
- ❖ **Convenience:** test materials designed to be incorporated directly in to the routine workload with the minimum of effort
- ❖ **Challenging:** test materials simulate "real" samples and offer microbiological challenges from enumeration to identification of organisms isolated. Each of the 3 samples you receive may be composed with different micro-organisms.
- ❖ **Proactive:** automatic updates to your own statistical trend analysis charts following each distribution
- ❖ **Fixed Target Standard Deviations:** enables direct comparison of z-scores achieved over several months of PT testing across ALL tests
- ❖ **Language:** documentation is provided in a range of languages
- ❖ **Technical support:** expert help and assistance readily available to all participants

How to Order

1. Please indicate the test materials that you would like to receive on the schedule
2. Complete the contact details as requested below and e-mail your completed order to kristan.newbold@biosenate.com or fax on +44 (0)161 764 5021

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Ref. No.	Matrix Type	Analyses	21 st Feb	18 th Apr	23 rd May	19 th Sept	24 th Oct	21 st Nov
P1-01	Tablets (3 x 5g)	Total Aerobic Microbial Count (TAMC) Total Combined Yeast and Mould Count (TYMC) Detection <i>E. coli</i>						
P1-02	Starch Powder (3 x 15g)	Total Aerobic Microbial Count (TAMC) Detection of <i>S. aureus</i> , <i>E. coli</i> & <i>P. aeruginosa</i> Total Combined Yeast and Mould Count (TYMC) Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp in 10g						
P1-03	Topical Water Based Cream (3 x 10g)	Total Aerobic Microbial Count (TAMC) Total Combined Yeast and Mould Count (TYMC) Detection of <i>S. aureus</i> , & <i>P. aeruginosa</i>						
P1-04	Natural Herbs (Intended for use with boiling water) (3 x 10g)	Total Aerobic Microbial Count (TAMC) Total Combined Yeast and Mould Count (TYMC) Enumeration of <i>E. coli</i>						
P1-05	Natural Herbs (Intended for use with cold water) (3 x 10g)	Total Aerobic Microbial Count (TAMC), Total Combined Yeast and Mould Count (TYMC), Enumeration of <i>E. coli</i> , Detection of <i>Salmonella</i> spp and Enumeration of Enterobacteriaceae						
P1-06	Injectable Suspension	5.0ml Vial - Sterility Test						
P1-07		100ml Vial - Sterility Test						

Each selected distribution consists of 3 x test materials.

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