

OFFICE OF LABORATORY ANIMAL CARE

Working Instructions

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PROCEDURE

All work instructions must be demonstrated by the trainer and performed by the trainee.

- 1. Water Quality Monitoring:
 - a. Perform programmatic analysis of drinking water at least once annually, or more frequently if veterinary directed.
 - b. A minimum of one water source from each facility will be tested. Obtain samples such that a representative sample of water delivered to animals is tested for each animal facility.
 - c. Follow the sample collection guidelines defined by the water quality testing laboratory. We currently use CRL for this testing. Below are the testing requirements.
 - For Sterility Membrane FunctionTest Fill two (2) 500 ml bottles with water from the targeted source.
 - For Microbial Bioburden Test- Fill two (2) of the provided 100mL containers with water from the targeted source. Each container has a neutralizing agent in them from the lab. (i.e., the supplied Sodium Thiosulphate tablet).
 - Collect water within 24 hours of shipment. Store at 4 degrees Celsius. Ship overnight on cold packs. Do not freeze water samples.
- 2. Water quality testing may include such parameters as microbial content/contamination, chemical contamination, ion and metal content, hardness, and conductivity.

List of frequently tested sources and test types

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Water Source	Test Type	Comments/Details	Water Source	Test Type	Comments/Details
Hydropac	Sterility Membrane Function	Use recently made hydropacs	Hydropac	Sterility Membrane Function	Use recently made hydropacs if in use. Check with PAT
Bottle Filler Bat Water Reservoir Songbird Rm Sink (NAF 157)	Microbial Bioburden	Songbird room allow the water to run for several minutes prior to collecting samples	NHP bottle fillers	Microbial Bioburden	Collect samples from the main water source
WH 6th Floor			WH Basement		
Water Source	Test Type	Comments/Details	Water Source	Test Type	Comments/Details
Hydropac	Sterility Membrane Function	Use recently made hydropacs	Frog Area Zebrafish Area WH-B 1 D (fish) WH-B 32A- 32B-30E-47 (fish)	Microbial Bioburden	Collect samples from the main water source
Bottle Filler (WH651)	Microbial Bioburden				
VLSB			Minor Hall		
Water Source	Test Type	Comments/Details	Water Source	Test Type	Comments/Details
VLSB 5185	Microbial Bioburden	Collect samples from the main water source	Minor Hall 599F (Chick sink)	Microbial Bioburden	Allow water to run for several minutes prior to collecting samples
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Water Source	Test Type	Comments/Details	
FSBR bldg 6A (songbird storage room sink)	Microbial Bioburden	Allow water to run for several minutes prior to collecting samples	
FSBR Primate sanctuary- drinking water	Microbial Bioburden	Allow water to run for several minutes prior to collecting samples	

REFERENCE DOCUMENTS

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