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MICROBIOLOGY PROFICIENCY TEST SAMPLES

The Laboratory Environmental Analysis Proficiency Scheme (LEAP Scheme) being the manufacturer and supplier of potentially hazardous materials are obliged (under common law and Health and Safety at Work Act 1974) to issue the following warning, and to specify Conditions of Supply of the proficiency samples.

WARNING

All microbiological samples must be regarded as potentially pathogenic and be handled by, or under the supervision of, competent persons who have received training in microbiological techniques. In the UK this includes compliance, so far as it applies, with 'Safe working and the prevention of infection in clinical laboratories' (Health Service Advisory Committee HMSO 1991) and 'Categorisation of pathogens according to hazard and categories of containment' (Advisory Committee on Dangerous Pathogens HMSO 1990) as amended from time to time.

Conditions of Supply

- 1. That the recipient has read the above warning.
- 2. That the samples will be used by the recipient or under his/her direct personal supervision or handled only by persons authorised by the recipient.
- 3. That the cultures or derived cultures will not be distributed to any persons who has not read a copy of this Notice.
- 4. That the responsibility of ensuring safe handling of the sample after receipt rests with the recipient. The LEAP Scheme cannot take any further responsibility for any untoward events arising from the handling of these cultures following their dispatch to the recipient.