SOP-M001

Preparation of Dilution Tube for Microbial Assays

Objective: Sterile glass tubes with sterile PBS are used to create dilution series for micbrobial assays

Procedure:

- 1. Take clean dry glass 8 ml tube with black caps
- 2. Place in a rack and fill rack
- 3. Pipette 4 ml per tube using the multipettor (the one near the coulter counter)
- 4. Set the dispenser to 4 ml (it is normally set at 10 ml) (RETURN THE SETTING TO 10 ML when finished
- 5. Screw caps onto tube by turning till they stop and then turn back ½ turn so that the tube is slightly open for autoclaving
- 6. Place autoclave tape onto top, date and identify who made this rack of tubes and put an expiry date of 30 days from the date of autoclaving.
- 7. Autoclave 30 min (liquids) and then tighten all caps when removed. Store and replace after 30 days expiry.

To row: Tube rack, Right Pipettor

Bottom Row: Set the pipettor, Right – Pipette 4 ml into each tube



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