

Email**LRMD BIS**

Fwd: Non availability of reference culture as per IS 16288.

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The trailing email may please be referred. The matter may please be treated on priority since it pertains to recognition of laboratories for testing of Surgical Face Mask as per IS 16289: 2014. Due to ongoing Covid 19 pandemic, applications for grant/inclusion for the IS are continuously being receive from OSL and these are at present being processed with alternate culture.

With Regards,

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Sent: Wednesday, December 16, 2020 2:45:10 PM
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This has reference to IS 16288 (MEDICAL TEXTILES — METHOD FOR EVALUATION OF THE BACTERIAL FILTRATION EFFICIENCY OF SURGICAL FACE MASKS).

As per the clause 5.1 of the said IS Staphylococcus Aureus, ATCC # 6358 has been prescribed for testing as Bacterial Challenge culture.

It has been informed by Hi Media who are the authorized suppliers for ATCC cultures in India that ATCC 6358 is an incorrect number and correct number is ATCC 6538.

The same has been checked from the website of ATCC (copy enclosed) where in it has been mentioned that ATCC 6358 number is no longer available and has been discontinued.

Accordingly, the matter may please be taken up by TXD for issuing amendment in the IS . It is also suggested that keeping only the test organism as Staphylococcus Aureus will also serve the purpose and the same may be suitably deliberated.

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