FACILITATOR GUIDE

Training on Proficiency Testing Scheme (GeneXpert DTS)

Module 6: Isolate selection and freezer stock maintenance

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OBJECTIVE: By the end of this module participants should be able to:

- Understand the MTB strains recommended for use in the preparation of genexpert PT panels
- Know how to create a repository of known / certified MTB strains
- Know the equipment essential in preparation of genexpert PT panels

MATERIALS:

- 1. Handouts,
- 2. Slides
- 3. Computer
- 4. Over head projector
- 5. Flip chart
- 6. Markers and pens
- 7. Note books

TIMELINE: 45 Minutes

METHODOLOGY:

- 1. Lecture
- 2. Discussion

ADVANCE PREPARATION:

- 1. Printing notes,
- 2. Familiarize oneself with the slides

FACILITATORS STEP-BY STEP INSTRUCTIONS:

- 1. Welcome and Introduction
- 2. Present module overview
- 3. Ask question about module expectations
- 4. Distribute handouts
- 5. Start the presentation
- 6. Recap presentation using discussion questions
- 7. Ask if there is any question.

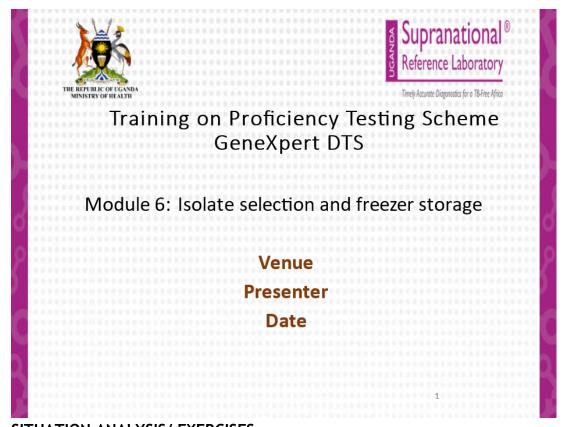
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FACILITATORS NOTES

- 1. Make sure you go slow with the presentation as follows;
 - Isolate selection
 - Characteristics of pure isolates
 - Panel composition
 - Creation of a repository
- 2. Encourage some of the participants to answer some of the questions that may arise during the presentation as this may create active participation from most of the class.
- 3. Make sure the materials required for the practical session are readily available.

SLIDE OF POWERPOINT PRESENTATION



SITUATION ANALYSIS/ EXERCISES

The laboratory is planning to start a proficiency testing scheme, identify
the isolates to use. Confirm if they are readily available and if not, how
can they be obtained. Describe a plan on how to multiply these isolates
to support and sustain the PT scheme for the next 5 years. (Group
activity)

The exercise will approximately take 15 minutes. It should be fully discussed with the trainees after assessment.

ASSESSMENT REVIEW

- 1. Why is necessary to include MTB, NTMs and Negative isolates in a genexpert PT panel?
- 2. Why do you need to inoculate several isolates on media?

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REFERENCES

ISO 13528:2005, Statistical methods for use in proficiency testing by interlaboratory comparisons

ISO Guide 34, General requirements for the competence of reference material producers

ISO Guide 35, Reference materials — General and statistical principles for certification

Guide 34, ISO Guide 35 and ISO 13528 (homogeneity and stability)

ISO/IEC Guide 98-3, Uncertainty of measurement — Part 3: Guide to the expression of uncertainty in measurement (GUM:1995)

ISO/IEC 17011:2004, Conformity assessment — General requirements for accreditation bodies accrediting conformity assessment bodies

ISO/IEC 17025, General requirements for the competence of testing and calibration laboratories

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