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Calderdale Royal Hospital Microfibre Bacteriological Monitoring Visit

Dear Gillian

Please find attached the microbiological results following the recent visit to *Calderdale Royal Hospital* on 21st October 2008. Samples were taken pre/post laundering to evaluate the effectiveness of OTEX disinfection process. Individual microfibre cloths/mops were randomly selected before and after processing with OTEX All samples were handled in an aseptic manner and analysed by an independent laboratory, which is UKAS, accredited, Microsearch Laboratories Ltd.

The results demonstrate the effectiveness of the disinfection of the OTEX process on microfibre cloths and mops. Whilst C.difficile was detected in the pre laundered items no clostridium species was detected in any of the processed cloths or mops.

I trust this meets with your requirements. Should you require any further assistance please do not hesitate to contact Lara Wade (Account Manager) or Jackie Hook (Chemist) on Halifax (01422) 822282.

Microbiological Test Results Pre/Post OTEX Laundry Process (Cfu/g)										
Sample	Lab Ref No:	State	TVC	E.coli	Salmonella	S. Aureus	C.diff	MRSA	Yeasts	Moulds
Microfibre Mop	300	Before	5.20E+08	1700	Neg	7600	390	35	7.20E+07	2.30E+03
Microfibre Cloth	303	After	1300	<1	Neg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Microfibre Red Cloth	301	Before	1.70E+09	2700	Pos	3.90E+04	102	330	8.00E+06	1.20E+04
Microfibre Red Cloth	304	After	190	<1	Neg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1
Microfibre Blue Cloth	302	Before	2.30E+09	930	Neg	1.20E+05	600	181	2.90E+06	3.90E+04
Microfibre Blue Cloth	305	After	410	<1	Neg	<1	<1	<1	<1	<1

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