Proficiency Testing - Cryptosporidium (CRYPTS)
APPLICATION FORM - 2027

The Cryptosporidium (CRYPTS) proficiency testing scheme aims to promote quality in the measurement and enumeration of Cryptosporidium oocysts in treated water supplies to satisfy current drinking water legislation. The following form contains the calendar of rounds followed by descriptions of the samples and prices.
Please complete all sections below and return to LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing: axiopt@lgcgroup.com

Returning customer Lab ID:

Purchase order no.: (compulsory)

YOUR ORDER

If you would like to renew your order for the same samples/rounds as per previous year, please tick this box: RENEW ME AS LAST YEAR ☐

We will copy over the samples/rounds purchased by you in the previous year and send you an order confirmation for your review. If you would like to add any other samples to your order, please mark them accordingly on the subsequent pages.

If you would prefer to place a different/new order for this scheme year, please review the samples available on subsequent pages and indicate the number of samples required for each sample/round accordingly.

SCHEDULE OVERVIEW

Month	Round	Despatch Date	Reporting Deadline	Samples Available
JAN	CY322	05 Jan 2027	25 Jan 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05
FEB	CY323	01 Feb 2027	22 Feb 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05
MAR	CY324	01 Mar 2027	22 Mar 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05
MAR	CY325	30 Mar 2027	19 Apr 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05
APR	CY326	26 Apr 2027	17 May 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06
MAY	CY327	24 May 2027	14 Jun 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05
JUN	CY328	21 Jun 2027	12 Jul 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06
JUL	CY329	19 Jul 2027	09 Aug 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06
AUG	CY330	16 Aug 2027	06 Sep 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05, 06
SEP	CY331	13 Sep 2027	04 Oct 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05
OCT	CY332	11 Oct 2027	01 Nov 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05
NOV	CY333	08 Nov 2027	29 Nov 2027	01, 02, 03, 04, 05

Please ensure your samples (PT-CY-04 and PT-CY-05) are returned to our collaboration partner, Moredun Scientific, by the day after the reporting deadline. Please see the Return of Samples section for further details.

SAMPLE AVAILABILITY – PLEASE SEE PAGE 1 FOR SPECIFIC DESPATCH AND REPORTING DATES

Please indicate the number of samples required per round in the grid. If you require a sample in all available rounds, please complete the **All Rounds** column.

Samples Available			Round and Month (CY)												
Sample	Supplied As	Target Analytes	All Rounds	JAN 322	FEB 323	MAR 324	MAR 325	APR 326	MAY 327	JUN 328	JUL 329	AUG 330	SEP 331	OCT 332	NOV 333
PT-CY-01	Dynal Slide	Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium parvum* Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium muris* Enumeration of Crypto-like bodies (CLB's) Enumeration of Giardia	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-CY-02	Genera Slide	Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium parvum* Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium muris* Enumeration of Crypto-like bodies (CLB's) Enumeration of Giardia	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-CY-03	Suspension	Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium* oocysts; Detection of *Cryptosporidium* oocysts NEW	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-CY-04	Filta Max Filter	Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium* oocysts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-CY-05	Filta Max Xpress Filter	Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium* oocysts	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐	☐
PT-CY-06 * NEW	Liquid suspension for filtration using own filters	Enumeration of *Cryptosporidium* oocysts	☐					☐		☐	☐	☐			

*Please note that these samples are not currently within the scope of LGC's UKAS accreditation.

Please note that all accredited samples are accredited within the boundaries of LGC's fixed and flexible scope of UKAS accreditation. For further details and the full technical specification of the scheme, please refer to the Scheme Description in the Scheme Information section on the Cryptosporidium (CRYPTS) webpage.

To access our General Protocol, covering our scheme organisation and operation, test materials, reporting of results, data analysis/performance assessment and information provided to participants, please click on the following link: GENERAL PROTOCOL – PT Schemes

YOUR DETAILS

Returning customers, if you would like to keep your contact/address details as per previous year, please tick here: ☐

If changes are required or you are a new customer, please complete your details below:

Send Test Materials to:		Send Invoices to:	
Contact name:		Contact name:	
Department:		Department:	
Company:		Company:	
Address:		Address:	
Town/City:		Town/City:	
County/State:		County/State:	
Post/Zip Code:		Post/Zip Code:	
Country:		Country:	
Tel:		Tel:	
E-mail:		E-mail:	
		VAT no:	

Existing customers
If you would like to change your marketing preferences, please visit our preference centre or contact axiopt@lgcgroup.com

New customers
LGC would like to contact you by email, phone or post about its products, services and related areas or research. LGC does not sell contact details to external parties. You may unsubscribe at any time.

☐ Yes, I am happy to be contacted about LGC's products, services and research

☐ No, I do not require marketing information about LGC's products and services at this time

By submitting this application form, you are agreeing to comply by LGC's Standard Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Laboratory Quality Products and Services and are agreeing that you have read and agree to the 'General Notes' at the end of this document.

Name ..... Date .....

RETURN OF SAMPLES

For the filter samples (PT-CY-04 and PT-CY-05), following examination:

- The filter housings (PT-CY-04 and PT-CY-05) must be returned to our collaboration partner Moredun Scientific; the deadline for returning samples is the day after the reporting deadline - this information can be found in the Schedule Overview table on page 1.
- Samples must be returned in the original container.
- Costs of the return shipment are to be covered by the participant.
- Return address details and a reminder of the Sample Return deadline will be included in the sample package.
- We would advise you to analyse the samples as soon as possible on receipt and return to Moredun Scientific immediately afterwards.

For sample PT-CY-01, PT-CY-02 and PT-CY-03 Suspension, it is not necessary to return samples to Moredun Scientific.

CARRIAGE CHARGES

Participants will pay an additional fee to cover courier charges. Please contact LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing for up-to-date charges.

CHANGES AND OTHER SCHEMES/SAMPLES OF INTEREST

CHANGES

We have introduced a new sample as follows:

- Sample PT-CY-06 (Suspension for spiking and filtration). This will be available in 4 rounds.

We have added a new analyte as follows:

- Detection of *Cryptosporidium* oocysts added to PT-CY-03 (Suspension for enumeration)

OTHER SCHEMES/SAMPLES OF INTEREST

We have a number of other Water and Environment schemes available which may be of interest to you. Further details can be found on our Water and Environment schemes web page.

GENERAL NOTES

Please note:

- All prices stated are exclusive of VAT and carriage charges.
- VAT (charged at the prevailing rate) is payable by all participants based in the UK.
- Participants will pay an additional fee to cover courier charges. Please contact LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing for up-to-date charges (where not specified previously in the application form).
- All courier charges set by LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing do not include local import charges, taxes (etc.), which will be covered by the participant.
- Do not send remittance with this form, you will be invoiced subsequently after the despatch of each round.
- No refunds will be given for failure to take part in any round of the PT scheme.
- LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing reserves the right to not send samples or the report for previous samples to any participant that has not paid their subscriptions within the terms stated on the invoice.
- LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing cannot guarantee the number of participants that will return results for any particular parameter in each round.
- The prices stated are for reporting results and receiving reports electronically via PORTAL (internet reporting).

- Surplus PT samples (Quality Control Material) are available; please contact LGC AXIO Proficiency Testing for further information.
- By submitting this application form, you are agreeing to comply by LGC's Standard Terms and Conditions for the Supply of Laboratory Quality Products and Services. Furthermore, for test samples containing microorganisms with a bio safety level (BSL) of 1 or 2, you are confirming that you are complying with applicable laws and regulations when using such materials.

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Name	
Customer	
Site	
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Renew ALY	
Year for PY	

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