

The Validation Game: Check, Calibrate and Cascade

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Autoclaves

- Certificates
- Thermocouple checks
- Biological monitoring
- Autoclave tape!!

Microbiological Safety Cabinets

- In flow and down flow air speeds
- Visual Inspection and operational control
- KI-DISCUS
- Real in use setup
 - Room air flows – air-conditioning units
 - in cabinet equipment
- How do you test the alarms?

Gas monitors

- alarm tests
- calibration

Temperature monitoring critical equipment

+4, -20, -80 °C etc

- eg TSCAN monitoring solution
- How do you test it works ? Required ?

Magnehelic Pressure gauges

- calibrated - who when?
- low pressure alarms – how do you test?

Legionella monitoring

- Risk assessment
- By who?
- Of what?
- What do the results mean?

Autoclaves – Validation, Calibration and Monitoring

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Waste Inactivation Validation

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Validation: Establishing documented evidence that a disinfection process will consistently inactivate target organisms under defined conditions of use.

- *Thermocouple 'mapping' should be used. This involves placing multiple (usually 12+) independent thermocouples at various sites (including the most inaccessible) within both 'typical' and 'difficult to penetrate' simulated loads. **ANNUAL***

Monitoring: To observe or record the activity or performance of a device.

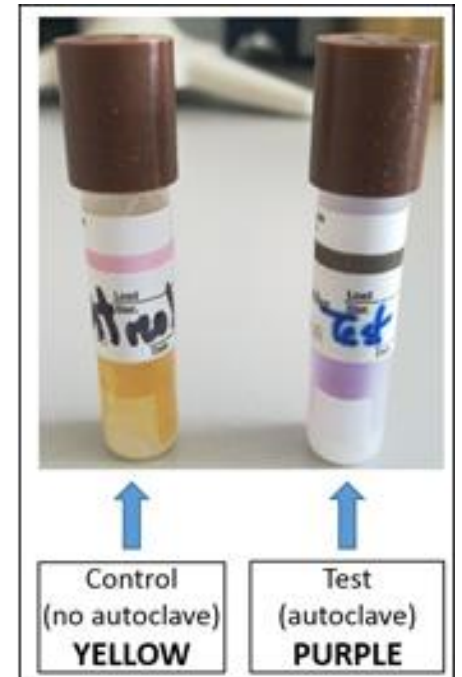
- *"Cycle run report" –has it passed or failed – **EVERY RUN***
- *Biological indicators – spore strips and culture – **MONTHLY?***

Calibration: The act of checking or adjusting (by comparison with a standard) the accuracy of a measuring instrument.

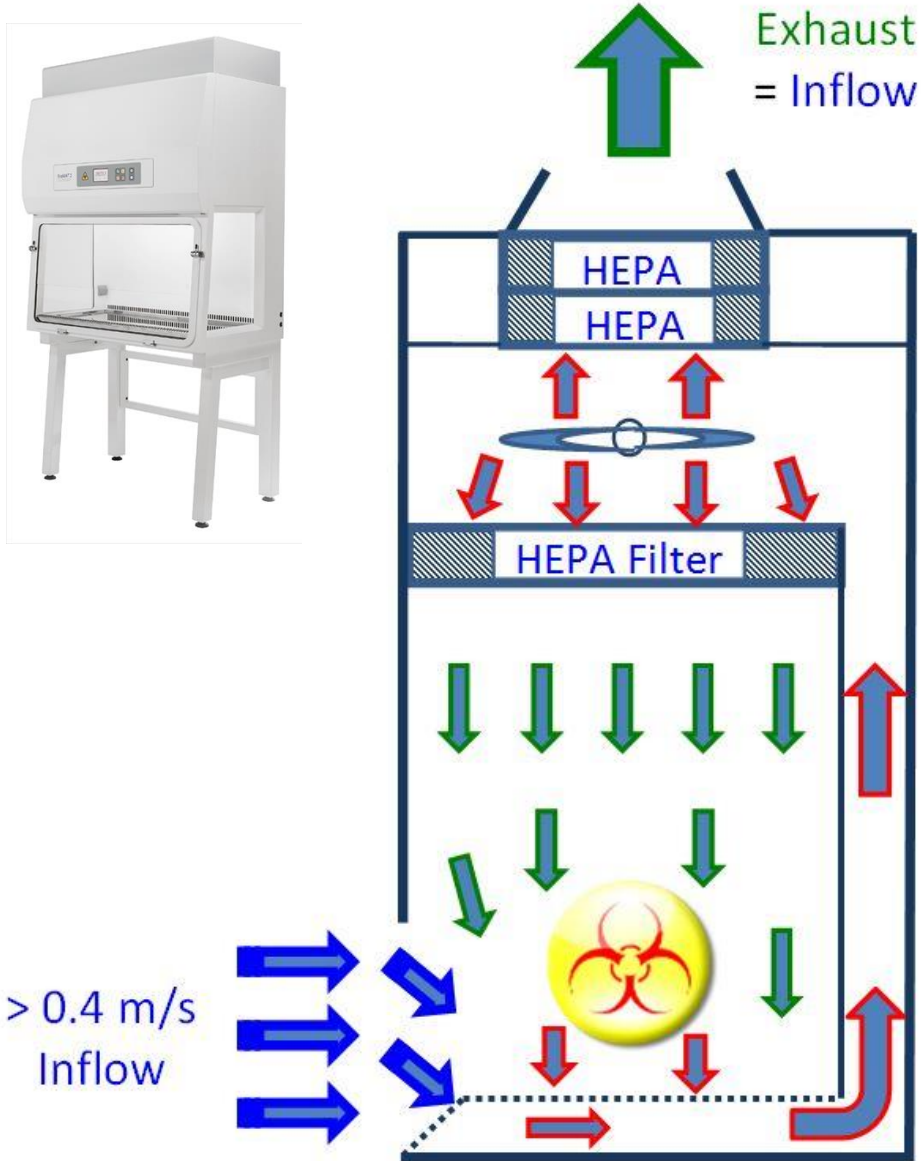
- *Does the autoclave measure the correct temperature and pressure? **ANNUAL***

Pressure Systems Safety Regulations (PSSR) 2000

Autoclaves (ALL Pressure vessels) need to be (**annually**) inspected by a representative for the University's insurers to comply. *Bureau Veritas (BV) acts as the Competent Person to carry out this inspection. All autoclaves will automatically be registered onto the BV SWIFT database to which the departmental lead contacts have access.*



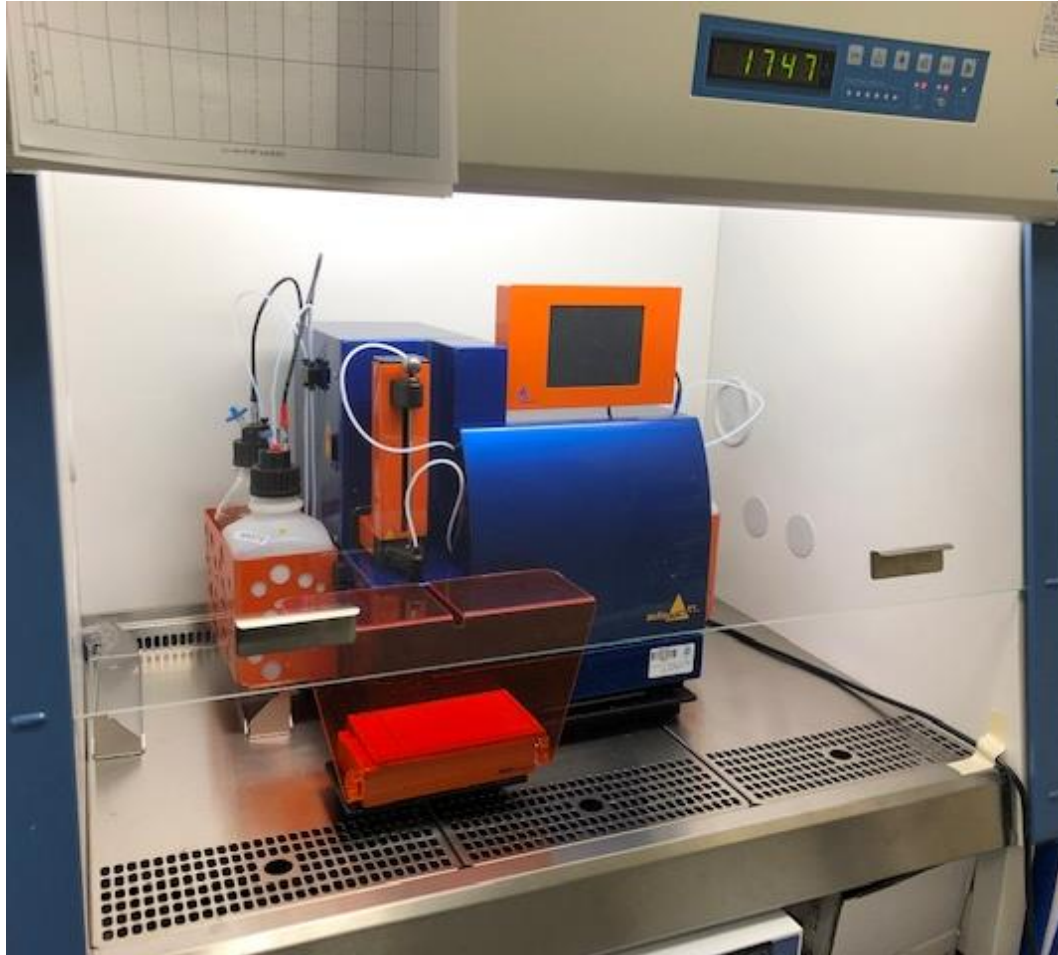
Testing and validation of microbiological safety cabinets



There is a statutory requirement to carry out testing (every 6 months or 12-14 months depends on Containment Level) and validation of microbiological safety cabinets. Performance tests are carried out to BS EN12469 and include

- HEPA filter integrity
- airflow velocity and visualization tests,
- operation of airflow indicators & alarms
- KI-Discus (aperture protection factor) tests.

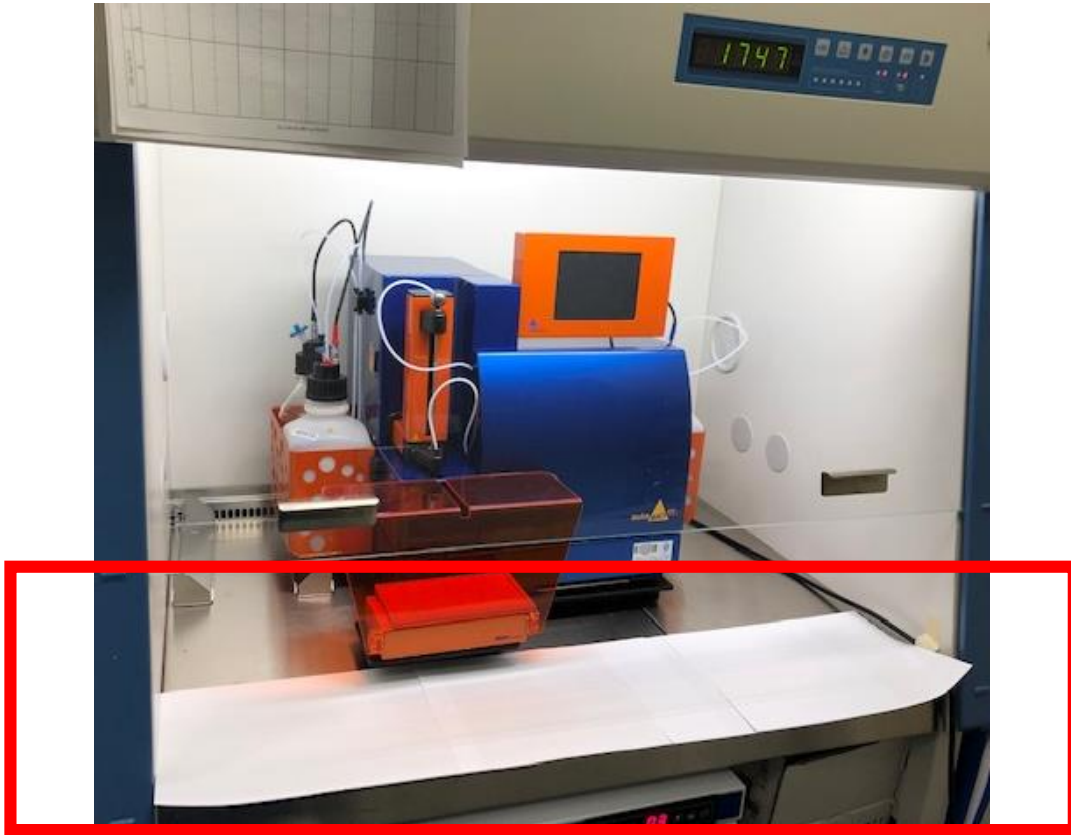
In Use Testing of microbiological safety cabinets



Is work usually carried out in an empty cabinet?

- Equipment that is **USUALLY** in the MSC should be in the MSC when it is tested.
- If a KI test is being performed **BAG** and protect the equipment!!

User Testing of microbiological safety cabinets



Testing and validation of microbiological safety cabinets

- A fine mist of potassium iodide droplets, produced by a spinning disk, is used as a challenge aerosol to measure the containment of a cabinet.
- Centripetal collectors sample the air outside the cabinet
- The collectors deposit any potassium iodide particles that are in the sampled air on to filter membranes.
- At the end of the sampling period the filter membranes are placed into a solution of palladium chloride whereupon the potassium iodide "develops" to form clearly visible and easily identified grey/brown dots.
- A knowledge of the number of droplets in the challenge produced by the mist generator and the number collected in the air samplers enables the protection factor for the cabinet to be calculated.
- All open-fronted microbiological safety cabinets are assessed on this protection factor.



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BIO SAFETY CABINET FIELD CERTIFICATION

Manufacturer ESCO Class II
 Model ACE 498 Serial No. 2017 123015
 Location Cambridge Test Report No. 13709
 Test Date 23-03-18 Due Date 2-03-19
 NSF 49 ☐ EN 12469 ☒ Other ☐

Test performed to manufacture's specification, NSF 49 or other international guideline	Pass	Fail	Not Tested
Primary Test			
Inflow Velocity	☒	☐	☐
Downflow Velocity	☒	☐	☐
Airflow Smoke Patterns	☒	☐	☐
Supply HEPA Filter Leakage	☒	☐	☐
Exhaust HEPA Filter Leakage	☒	☐	☐
Site Installation Assessment	☒	☐	☐
Secondary Test (Optional Only)			
KI-Discus Test (Operator Protection)	☒	☐	☐
Light Intensity	☐	☐	☐
UV Intensity	☐	☐	☒
Noise Level	☒	☐	☐
Certification Result	☒	☐	☐

Remarks : _____

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MODEL

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CLASS II (R)

2017-123015

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**THIS EQUIPMENT HAS BEEN INSPECTED AND VALIDATED BY CROWTHORNE HI-TEC
ANY PROBLEM FOUND WITH THIS UNIT PLEASE CONTACT 01252 372333 OR SERVICE@CHTS.CO.UK**

VALIDATION DATE	RESULT PASS / FAIL	K.I. TEST PASS / FAIL	TEST SHEET No.	NEXT VALIDATION	ENGINEER
15/11/18	PASS	—	94660	MAY 19	JA.
10/5/19	PASS	PASS	1568	NOV 19	JA



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Test Report
Certificate No.

L832902

Customer Cambridge university
Building Dept of medicine Room HR08 05 800 Cat
Cabinet Manufacturer CAS Type CLII Tripass
Serial No C1423-2 Site No 0 EVS Ref

Site Contact A.Brownlee Job No L8329
Lab Contact A.Brownlee Engineer S.Palmer
Previous Certificate n/a Date 12-Nov-13
Phone no Order no 0

Test Equipment

Anemometer TA 460 Photometer JM8000
Serial No TA4600944002 Serial No JM8-8028
Calibration Date 31/04/2013 Calibration Date 22-Nov-12

Cabinet Function and Examination

Alarm	Audible	Working	Visual	Working
Fan	Exhaust	Working	Downflow	Working
Fan	Run On	n/a min	Airflow Meter	Safe
Duct Pressure	Open	n/a Pa	Closed	n/a Pa
Sound		ok	Hour Meter	n/a hrs
Indicator Switches		Working	Fumigation	n/a
Gas Solenoid		n/a	Socket Test	Working
Lighting		Working	UV Lamp	n/a

Cabinet Condition

Exterior Surface	ok	Work Surface	ok
Interior Surfaces	ok	Viewing Panel	ok
Duct Connection	ok	Closure Panels	ok

Comments

If cabinet goes into alarm it will still have the containment protection factor as it is set up with the setting parameter high enough so as to comply if the room negative pressure drops to alarm levels.

Air Flow Measurements m/s

Inflow Average Velocity 0.61 m/s
Pass

0.63 m/s	0.56 m/s	0.64 m/s
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Acceptance Criteria : Inflow to be not < 0.4 m/s

Downflow Average Velocity 0.41 m/s
Pass

0.40 m/s	0.38 m/s	0.38 m/s	0.41 m/s
0.41 m/s	0.40 m/s	0.46 m/s	0.44 m/s

Acceptance Criteria : Downflow to be 0.35 to 0.5 m/s at 20%

KI-Discus Aperture Protection Factor Results

No	X	OP	Y	OP	XI	OP	YI	OP
M1	5	12.4	9	6.9	6	10.3	14	4.4
M2	8	7.8	5	12.4	6	10.3	8	7.8
M3	6	10.3	7	8.9	8	7.8	10	6.2
M4	2	31.0	10	6.2	6	10.3	7	8.9
M5	6	10.3	4	15.5	12	5.2	11	5.6

L1								
L2								
L3								
L4								
L5								

R1								
R2								
R3								
R4								
R5								

These Aperture Protection Results DO comply with the requirements of EN12469:2000

K.I.Discus serial No K12/02-0163 Calibration 19-Dec-2012

Acceptance Criteria : Aperture Protection to be not less than 1×10^{-5}

The above test data was correct at the time of the tests. If the equipment is moved, modified or other environmental factors change the equipment may require a re-test

Particle Counts Particles per Cu m

Position	$\geq 0.3\mu\text{m}$	$\geq 0.5\mu\text{m}$	$\geq 5.0\mu\text{m}$
1			
2			
3			
4			
5			
6			

Counter
Serial No
Calibrated

Passes to GMP Class A Yes/No

Filter Tests

Down-flow/Out-flow filter	1st Exhaust / Main filter	2nd Exhaust / In-flow filter	Thimble / Room filter	Other filter
Serial No	Serial No	Serial No	Serial No	
Penetration	Penetration	Penetration	Penetration	
Media <0.003 %	Media <0.003 %	Media <0.003 %	Media n/a %	
Seals <0.003 %	Seals <0.003 %	Seals <0.003 %	Seals n/a %	
Pass	Pass	Pass		

Acceptance Criteria : Penetration to be < 0.003 %

At the time of test this Cabinet

Passes

E.S.R. Number

Engineers Signature

Customer Signature

Date

Next Test Due

Label Attached

May-14

yes

Gas monitors – what sort oxygen depletion or active detection of gas of interest, maybe BOTH.

- How do you alarm test them?
- How often are they tests performed?
- How do you have them calibrated?
- Who is responsible?
- Record the monitoring/calibration
- Installed systems and personal monitors



Chemical Safety Guidance

July 2018

Compressed Gas User Guidance

Occupational Health and Safety Service
HSD032C (rev 5)



Magnehelic Pressure gauges

calibrated - who and when?

low pressure alarms – how do you test?

Temperature monitoring critical equipment

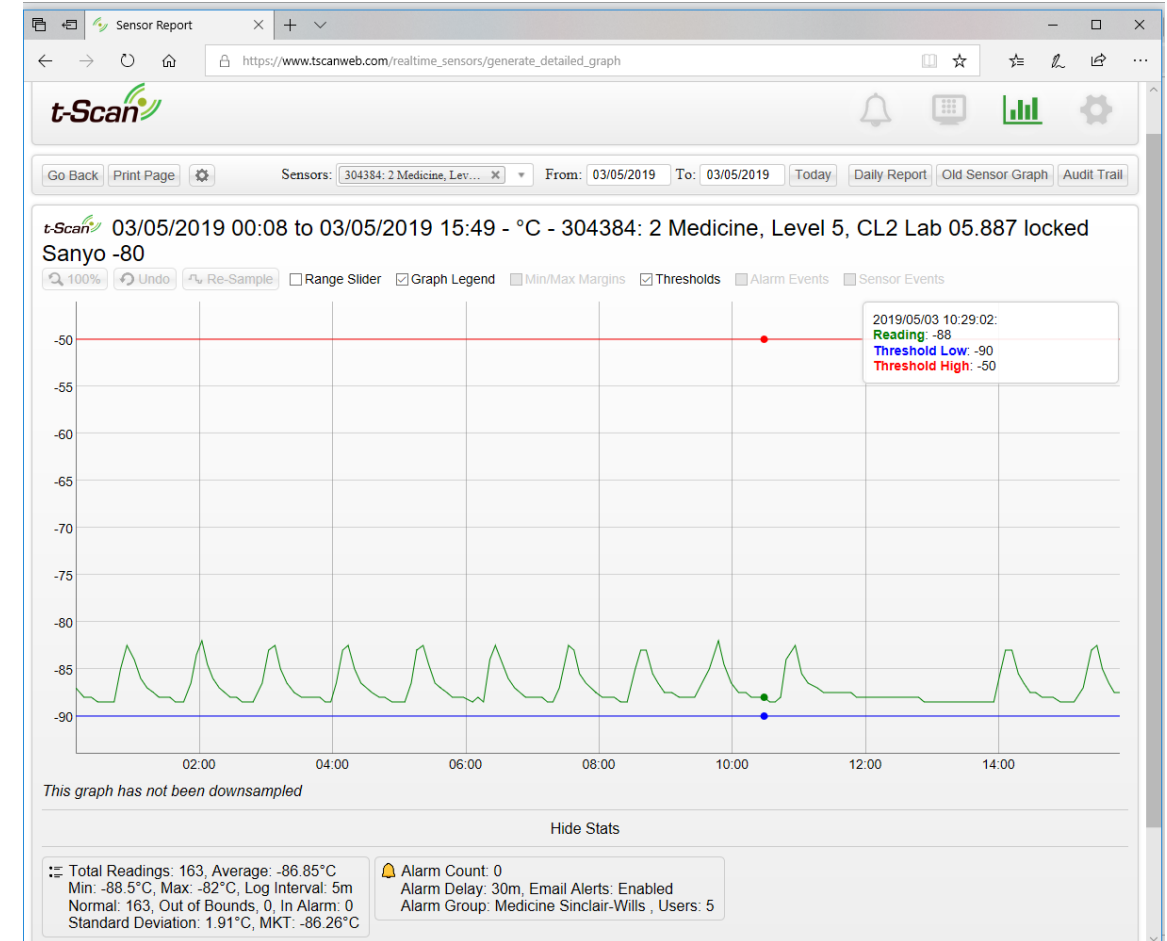
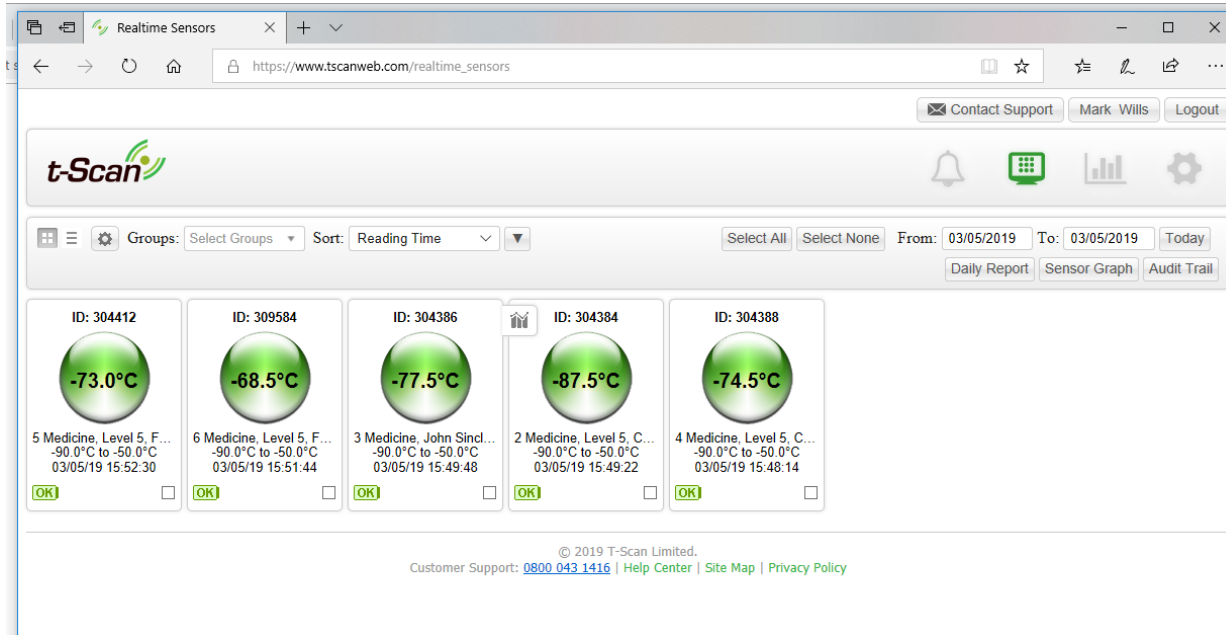


- Could be +4oC, -20oC, -60-80oC
- Critically important unique samples
- Bio banks – Human Tissue – HTA
- Automatic monitoring, remote reporting and control
- Alarm cascades by mobile phone, text message and email

NB other suppliers of monitoring services are available!!



Remote monitoring long term data logging



HTA inspection question

How do you test it works?

The answer is not always straightforward!!

Legionella monitoring and data logging

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Legionella Awareness

Frequently Asked Questions and what you can do to help

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HSD175B (rev 1)

University or
embedded
accommodation?

Risk assessment

- By who?

Of what

- Ice Machines
- Plumbed eyewash
- Sinks

What do the results
mean?



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Closing the loop

- Facilities have had the equipment serviced
 - Where do the reports go?
 - What do the reports mean?
 - Actions to be taken?
 - Who needs to know the result and how is the information passed on?

Lay interpretation of engineers reports

HSE CL3 inspection question – How do you know a user understands the results of the inspection and the written report?

- Verbal report from engineer to user/facilities before leaving
 - Did it pass
 - Any concerns going forward
 - Close the loop!

Permits to work

- NOT just relevant to higher CL3 containment also CL2
- What information was the service engineer given?
- What was disinfected?
- What they can and cannot touch?
- What PPE should they wear?
- What should they do if the fire alarms go off?

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Record keeping - keeping evidence and being able to provide it for audit /inspection to HSE and others

- Permits and service reports
- Maintenance inspection schedules
- Who is responsible
- Who keeps the schedules
- How do the users know service is required (before it becomes an issue)
- Autoclaves annually under the written scheme (after that date **CANNOT** BE USED)
- *Bureau Veritas* SWIFT database
- A clear, formalized check list system to manage the schedule of inspections, servicing etc.
- A clear indication of who is responsible and who is responsible if that person is not available.
- A schedule to check the schedule – Seriously!! Comment from HSE inspection
- RECORD, RECORD, RECORD – Time, Date and Sign