Mycoplasma Screen Request Form

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Name of the lab and group leader:

Number of samples to be tested:

All samples have to be properly labeled. The following information is required: Cell line, Initials, Date of Sampling

- When the cells are drawn out of the liquid nitrogen, they should be cultured for at least 2 weeks prior to the testing for *Mycoplasma*..
- Cells are cultured according to routine protocols (no special medium requirements).
- Media samples have to be collected <u>at least 2 days following the last change of medium</u> (concentration of the pathogen).
- Cells should be <u>at least 80 % confluent</u> at the day of sampling.
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Sampling:

- 1. Collect **1 ml** media in an Eppendorf tube
- 2. Centrifuge at **1500 rpm/200g** for **5 min**.
- 3. Transfer the supernatant to a new Eppendorf tube.
- 4. Store the supernatant at $-70^{\circ}C^*$ until delivered to our lab (on dry ice).

*Please note that the detection method is based on determination of Mycoplasma-specific enzyme activities. If the samples are not prepared and stored properly the method is likely to yield false negative results.