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1. Existence of a practice regarding the handling of deposited microorganisms after the expiration of the period of storage prescribed in Rule 9.1 of the Regulations under the Budapest Treaty

Yes.

2. Description of the practice

We are implementing a new deposit form informing the depositors about the following “*Once the storage period stipulated by the Budapest Treaty has elapsed, as compensation for the deposit service, CECT-UV shall acquire the right to use the strain, always in accordance with the principles of the Budapest Treaty and the Convention on Biological Diversity*”

In parallel, we are going to start contacting past depositors and ask them to provide instructions about what to do with the deposited material after the expiration of the period of storage:

- Transfer to public deposit providing additional information
- Transfer to safe deposit covering the corresponding fee
- Transfer to the depositor covering the shipping costs
- Destroy

3. Documentation and links

The deposit form will be soon available in our webpage at this [link](#).

Besides, we will inform of the terms and conditions attached to the deposit form in the CECT description under “Detailed Requirements and Practices of IDAs” published by WIPO