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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

Where appropriate, and subject to compliance with applicable legal, biosafety, and biosecurity requirements, the MUM collection may retain the microorganisms and include the strains in its general catalogue.

2. Description of the practice

Once included in the general catalogue, the strains are managed outside the framework of the Budapest Treaty and in accordance with the MUM's quality policy and management system certified under ISO 9001. No additional or specific procedures have been established beyond these provisions.

3. Documentation and links

Webpage of MUM: <https://www.micoteca.deb.uminho.pt/collection>