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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

At the time of the deposit, the depositor may indicate whether the deposited microorganism that has reached the expiration of the period of storage can be transferred to another register (or catalogue) or must remain stored against a fee.

Where there is no indication at the time of the deposit, the depositor has to contact VKPM to indicate how the deposit should be handled based on the options indicated above.

If the depositor doesn't contact VKPM within a certain timeframe, VKPM will transfer the deposited microorganism to another register (or catalogue).

3. Documentation and links

No.