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ENHANCED AATCC PROFICIENCY PROGRAM

RESEARCH TRIANGLE PARK, N.C., USA, Tuesday, July 27, 2010—AATCC Proficiency Testing Programs are the best way to ensure testing labs accurately perform test methods and interpret their results correctly. AATCC is making it easier to participate in Proficiency Testing Programs by allowing labs to enter their results online. This means data is included in the final report exactly as the lab reports it—no risk of transcription errors or misinterpreted handwriting.

A brand new proficiency testing program covers basic antibacterial assessment by AATCC Test Methods 100 and 147. Samples will be sent out October 2010 and April 2011. The cost is US\$495 per year or US\$285 for a half-year subscription.

As with other programs, labs will receive samples and testing instructions by mail. Data is returned to AATCC within six weeks and compiled. Each participating lab receives a complete report, including data tables and graphs. An anonymous code allows each lab to identify its results in comparison to the rest of the field.

Register for all Proficiency Testing Programs at **www.aatcc.org/programs/prof**.

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