

## **ARL Microbial Cleaning Study Questionnaire**

There are two main components to a full microbial cleaning challenge study:

- 1. **Use-Dilution testing** ensures that agents at their in-use concentrations, whether premixed or mixed on-site, can decontaminate a surface in the contact time specified.
- 2. **Surface-Challenge testing** determines the effectiveness of cleaning agents and SOPs to remove contamination from simulated surfaces against challenge microorganisms.

\*\*Please include a copy of your cleaning procedure and cleaning agent manufacturer documentation with your completed questionnaire\*\*

QUESTIONS		ANSWERS
1.	Please provide contact/ quote information:	Name:
		Business Name:
		Address:
		Phone:
		Email:
2.	A complete cleaning study includes both Use-Dilution and Surface-Challenge components. Which study components would you like to conduct?	<ul> <li>□ Both Use-Dilution &amp; Surface-Challenge</li> <li>□ Use-Dilution Only</li> <li>□ Surface-Challenge Only</li> </ul>
3.	Please list the cleaning agents in use at your facility to include in the study <sup>1</sup> :	
4.	Please list the challenge microorganisms you would like to include in your study:	
	Common organisms include: E. coli, S. aureus, P. aeruginosa, C. albicans, A. brasiliensis, and B. subtilis These organisms are representatives of commonly found bacteria & fungi.	
5.	Environmental isolates from your facility may be used as challenge organisms in addition to those above. Please list additional organisms of interest:	
	Organism availability varies, representative or substitute organisms may be required.	
6.	Please list the surfaces on which you would like to demonstrate your cleaning procedure's effectiveness <sup>2</sup> :	
	Examples: 304 Stainless steel counter, bench surface, glass window, epoxied floor, light cover	
7.	Goals of study, Number of Replicates, Comments, or Special Requests:	

<sup>1</sup>Clients will be asked to provide adequate amounts of each of their cleaning agents to ARL to perform the testing requested

 $^{2}$ Clients will be asked to provide surface samples ("coupons") to ARL for each of the surfaces used in the study. Coupons should be a minimum of 5 cm x 5 cm and  $^{2}$ O of each will be requested. The number of coupons requested may vary based on the number of cleaning agents and organisms.