Methodological guide to the assessment of biological safety and security risks

This guide was written based on the model proposed by ANSM (French National Agency for Medicines and Health Products Safety) entitled "Management method for biological safety and security risks", version of 3 May 2011.



Foreword

Laboratory activities using pathogenic micro-organisms or toxins pose potentially significant risks of harm to humans and the environment.

ANSES's Committee for the Control of Biological Risks in Laboratories (CMRBL) offers a **general method for identifying hazards and analysing and assessing risks related to the use of micro-organisms and toxins (MOTs),** as defined by the Decree of 30 June 2010¹, and in the rules for good practice drawn up by the French National Agency for Medicines and Health Products Safety (ANSM)².

This method is derived from the Failure Mode and Effects Analysis (FMEA) method. It is based on a model proposed by the ANSM ("Management method for biological safety and security risks", version of 3 May 2011), using the same general principles. However, the method presented in this guide takes into account the particularities of ANSES's reference and research laboratories. The hazard identification questionnaires have been adapted accordingly. The scales for ranking biological safety and guantitatively modified in order to reflect the activities of ANSES's laboratories. Likewise, the intervals defining risk levels as 'low', 'average' or 'unacceptable' have been modified. Regarding biological safety, the risk calculation method has been completely revised; the notion of extrinsic severity has been introduced and the method for calculating the criticality index has been modified. These calculation methods were tested with various pathogens used in ANSES's laboratories and then adjusted before being definitively adopted by the CMRBL.

This guide includes 4 separate sections:

- Presentation of the risk assessment model
- Presentation of the micro-organism or toxin
- Booklet 1: Analysis of biological safety risks
- **Booklet 2: Analysis of biological security risks**

It refers to the definitions as presented in the Ministerial Order on rules of good practice².

¹ Decree no. 2010-736 of 30 June 2010 on micro-organisms and toxins.

² Ministerial Order on rules of good practice tending to guarantee biological safety and security mentioned in Art. R.5139-18 of the French Public Health Code.

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Presentation of the risk assessment model

Each of the two booklets presented below is divided into the four stages required for risk assessment, i.e.

1. Hazard identification

A <u>non-exhaustive</u> series of questions helps identify hazardous situations that may arise when carrying out activities.

Answer "Yes"

If this answer is given, details about the hazardous situation are requested in the "comments" section.

All identified hazardous situations should be listed in the table found in Chapter 3, "Risk analysis".

> Answer "No"

This answer indicates that the operation is either not applicable or considered free of risk.

2. Description of control measures

A non-exhaustive series of questions helps describe the risk control measures in force in the establishment and for the MOT in question.

If risk control measures are identified that have not been included in this document, they should be added.

Answer "Yes"

This answer requires justification: compliance with the standards or regulatory requirements. For each identified hazardous situation, a description of the risk control measures should be entered in the table found in Chapter **3**, "**Risk Analysis**".

3. Risk analysis

Risk estimate

For each hazardous situation identified in Chapter 1, the following should be assessed:

- the intrinsic severity of the MOT: accounts for the quantity of pathogen handled;
- **extrinsic severity:** accounts for the notions of exposure and dissemination of the pathogen;
- the **likelihood of occurrence of the event** responsible for the hazardous situation, taking into account the risk control measures in force in the laboratory;
- the **detectability** of the event: it accounts for the risk of not detecting the event **before** it occurs (should not be confused with the notion of detection).

For each parameter, a gradual rating scale is proposed for risk assessment purposes.

> Risk level assessment: calculating the criticality index

• For each identified hazardous situation, a **criticality index or risk priority index** (**RPI**) should be calculated by multiplying the four aforementioned parameters. Its value is used to prioritise the risks for corrective action.

A scale of priority is therefore defined based on the RPI value:

- acceptable risk:
- additional measures required;
- unacceptable risk.

4. Acceptability of residual risk

After verifying the implementation of risk control measures for each stage of the process, the applicant needs to decide whether he/she considers that the residual risks posed by the process, considered together, are acceptable.

If the criticality level is not acceptable, corrective actions may be proposed and should be listed in the table in Chapter 4: **Assessment and Acceptability of Residual Risk.** For each action, the deadline and the name of the responsible person must be mentioned.

MOT presentation

Knowledge of the micro-organism or toxin undergoing risk assessment:

| Taxonomy | Comments: |
|--|--|
| Use of biological material likely to contain this micro-organism or toxin: biological sample of human or animal origin kept for more than 30 days, sample of environmental origin | yes no Comments |
| For a micro-organism, provide the classification of the at-risk group according to Article R.4421-3 of the French Labour Code, specifying whether there is any available preventive or curative treatment | Group 1 Group 2 Group 3 Group 4 |

BOOKLET 1 Analysis of biological safety risks

1. Hazard identification

For each operation using this MOT, provide the following information:

1.1. Acquisition (limited to the airlock entrance), storage, insite transport operations

| Risk of breach of the triple | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
|---|----------|-------|-------|
| packaging (primary containment) | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Implosion risk (freeze-dried | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| ampoules) | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Explosion risk | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of losing the MOT | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of exchange with another | | ves 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| micro-organism or toxin | Comments | , | |
| | | | |
| Risk of cut | | yes | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | yee 🗋 | |
| | Comments | | |
| Risk of eye damage | | | no 🗌 |
| Risk of eye damage | Commonto | yes 🔄 | |
| | Comments | | |
| Diely of the MOT coming into contact | | | |
| Risk of the MOT coming into contact with the skin | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| with the skin | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of inhaling the MOT | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of breach of the secondary | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| containment | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of the MOT splashing in | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| the air | Comments | , _ | |
| | | | |
| Risk of the MOT splashing on a | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| surface (spillage, etc.) | Comments | , | ··• 🗆 |
| | | | |
| Risk related to the water supply | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| reaction to the water supply | Comments | yee | |
| | | | |
| Other rick (specify) | | | |
| Other risk (specify) | Commonto | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | l | | |

1.2. Implementation operations

Each operation should be numbered and described

OPERATION No. XX

| | 1 | | _ |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|------------|------|
| Risk of cut | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of eye damage | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | , <u> </u> | |
| | Comments | | |
| Diele of the MOT coming into contact | | | |
| Risk of the MOT coming into contact | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| with a body part | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of inhaling the MOT | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | yco 🗖 | |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk related to the water supply | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of there being an animate | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| vector of the MOT | If so, which one(s)? | , | |
| | I SO, WHICH ONE(S)? | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of exchanging genetic material | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| from the MOT with another | If so, which one(s)? | | |
| biological agent | | | |
| 5 5 | | | |
| Risk of breach of the primary | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| containment | Comments | yes 🔄 | |
| Containment | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of breach of the secondary | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| containment | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of the MOT splashing in the air | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| 1 5 | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Pick of the MOT enlaching on a | | | no 🗖 |
| Risk of the MOT splashing on a | Operation | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| surface (spillage, etc.) | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Implosion risk | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Explosion risk | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk related to aerosolisation | | yes 🔄 | no 🗌 |
| (freeze-drying, centrifugation, | Comments | | |
| grinding, etc.) | | | |
| | | | |
| | 1 | | |

1.3. Decontamination, deactivation and disposal operations

| Risk of non-deactivated biological | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------|------|
| material being discharged through | Comments | | |
| piping | | | |
| Risk of handling biological material | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| whose deactivation was not properly | Comments | | |
| performed and validated | | | |
| Risk of handling biological waste | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| whose deactivation was not properly | Comments | | |
| performed and validated | | | |
| Risk of the MOT splashing on a | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| surface (spillage, etc.) | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Implosion risk | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Explosion risk | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Incorrect disposal route | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| · | Comments | - | |
| | | | |
| Other risk (specify) | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | • | |
| | | | |

1.4. Animal testing

All risks related to implementation operations should also be assessed for animal testing

| Risk of cut, sting | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--|----------------------|-------|------|
| | Comments | | |
| Risk of bite, scratch | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| Risk of unintentional release of an | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| animal infected with the MOT | Comments | | |
| Risk of the MOT being excreted by | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| an animal | If so, which one(s)? | | |
| Risk of contact with the body fluids | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| or tissues of the contaminated animal | If so, which one(s)? | | |
| Risk related to MOT multiplication by | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| the animal | Comments | | |
| Risk of there being an animate | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| vector | Comments | | |
| Risk of animal exchange | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |

1.5. Off-site transport

To be completed as part of a transfer application

| Risk of breach of the triple | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--------------------------------------|----------|-------|------|
| packaging | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of the MOT splashing in the air | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| Risk of the MOT splashing on a | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| surface (spillage, etc.) | Comments | | |
| Risk of loss | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Other risk (specify) | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |

2. Description of risk control measures

2.1. The laboratory's collective protective measures

| Build ing no. | containme to the Mini | f physical ent according sterial Order 7/2007* | Type of microbiological safety station | Animal containment system | Annexes related to the level of physical containment |
|---------------------|--------------------------|---|--|---|--|
| | P1 P3 A1 A3 | P2 P4 A2 A4 | BSC* I BSC II BSC III Other: <i>Please specify</i> | Isolator Ventilated cage Other <i>Please specify</i> | Annex nos. |

Biosafety cabinet

| Means of detecting the MOT outside | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
|---|---|
| of the containment structure | Comment: describe which ones |
| Is there a programme for periodically | yes 🗌 🛛 no 🗌 |
| verifying the integrity of the physical containment systems? | Comments (particularly if tests and controls are periodically undertaken in accordance with the NF ISO EN 14644-1; 14644-2 or NF EN 12469 Standards) |
| Is there a programme for verifying | yes 🗌 no 🗌 NA 🗌 |
| the integrity of the piping and treatment system for contaminated effluent if it was not treated before exiting the building containing the technical facility? | Comments |

2.2 Personal protective measures

| Building number: XX | | | |
|---------------------|--|--|--|
| Protection | If "yes", specify the type of protection | | |
| Head | yes 🗌 | | |
| Eyes | yes 🗌 | | |
| Respiratory | yes 🗌 | | |
| Face | yes 🗌 | | |
| Hands | yes 🗌 | | |
| Forearms | yes 🗌 | | |
| Ankles | yes 🗌 | | |
| Legs | yes 🗌 | | |
| Feet | yes 🗌 | | |
| Other (specify): | yes 🗌 | | |

2.3. Work practices

| Are there safety instructions prohibiting the | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
|---|-----------------------------|
| introduction of the following, by workers and for their | Comments |
| own use, in work areas where there is risk of | If yes, what are they? |
| contamination? | |
| - food and drink; | |
| items for smokers; | |
| cosmetics and tissues other than paper tissues, | |
| which should be disposed of as contaminated waste. | |
| jewellery and objects that are difficult to | |
| decontaminate | |
| | |
| Does there is safety instructions concerning specific | |
| dress requirements ? | |
| Are there written instructions in the workplace and, if | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| applicable, posters showing the procedure to be | Comments |
| followed when handling any biological agent, and | List quality documents |
| especially the list of operations to be performed in a | |
| BSC or requiring specific means of protection? | |
| Are there written instructions on the worksite and, if | yes no |
| applicable, posters showing the procedure to be | Comments |
| followed when handling any biological agent, | (required for group 4 MOTs) |
| especially during its disposal, with appropriate | |
| cleaning and disinfection methods? | |
| Are there specific provisions, included in the internal | yes 🔄 no 🗌 |
| regulations if necessary, reminding workers of their | Comments |
| duty to immediately report any accident or incident | |
| involving a biological pathogen? | |

2.4. Management of decontamination of facilities, materials and equipment

| Is there a system for decontaminating facilities? | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
|--|---|
| | Comments: |
| Is there a system for | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| decontaminating materials? | Comments |
| Is there a system for decontaminating equipment? | Comments yes no |
| Is there a programme for validating decontamination techniques? | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| | Comments (Describe the qualification methods for each decontamination procedure used) |
| Is there a programme for verifying | yes no 🗌 |
| the effectiveness of decontamination processes? | Comments (provide Document) |
| Is a document certifying the | yes no 🗌 |
| decontamination of materials and equipment likely to be contaminated given to maintenance workers before any other maintenance operations? | Comments |

2.5. Waste management

| Solid waste, including single-use | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------------------|-------|------|
| material | Decontamination method: | - | |
| | chemical | | |
| | autoclaving | | |
| | incineration | | |
| | other | | |
| | (specify) | | |
| | Comment: refer to current procedures | | |
| | | | |
| | | | |
| Liquid waste | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| • | Decontamination method: | , _ | |
| | chemical | | |
| | autoclaving | | |
| | incineration | | |
| | other | | |
| | (specify) | | |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| | refer to current procedures | | |

| Reusable material | yes no percentamination method: chemical autoclaving other (specify) Comments refer to current procedures |
|--|--|
| Is there a programme for validating decontamination techniques? | yes no comments (Describe the qualification methods for each decontamination procedure used) |
| Is there a programme for verifying the effectiveness of decontamination processes? | yes no () Comments (provide Document) |

2.6. MOT transport

| Measures or appropriate | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|---|----------|------|
| containment system used for the risk-free transport of MOTs inside | Comments | |
| the establishment | | |

2.7. Staff training

| Is training on biological safety | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--------------------------------------|----------------------|-------|------|
| provided before staff perform an | Comments | | |
| activity involving contact with | | | |
| MOTs? | | | |
| Is the safety training repeated on a | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| regular basis? | Comments (frequency) | | |
| | | | |
| Is the safety training adapted as | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| risks evolve and when work | Comments | | |
| procedures change significantly? | | | |
| Is access prohibited to anyone not | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| trained in biological safety? | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Is there specific training on use of | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| the MOT? | | • | |
| | Comments | | |
| Is there a specific accreditation | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| process for use of the MOT as | | - | |
| defined in the 17025 Standard? | Comments | | |

2.8. Medical supervision

| Is the list, drawn up by the employer, | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--|----------|-------|------|
| of people likely to be exposed to an | Comments | | |
| MOT given to the physician of the | | | |
| preventive medical services? | | | |
| Have the people likely to be | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| exposed to an MOT undergone a | Comments | | |
| medical examination to draw up a | | | |
| medical fitness certificate? | | | |
| Is the medical fitness certificate | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| renewed at least yearly? | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Is there a specific medical | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| surveillance plan for the MOT? | | - | |
| | Comments | | |

2.9. Other risk control measures

| Lister tout autre moyen de maîtrise | y y | es 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|-------------------------------------|----------|------|------|
| du risque non pris en compte dans | Comments | | |
| les chapitres précédents | | | |

3. Risk analysis

This section should be completed for each operation, taking into account the hazards identified in Section A.

The risk rating scales are presented in Chapter 5

- Si: Intrinsic severity of the MOT
- Se: Extrinsic severity: related to the concentration of the MOT
- L: Likelihood: of the incident occurring
- D: Detectability: likelihood of detecting the incident

RPI: Si x Se x L x D: risk priority index or criticality index

| No. | Identified hazards | Control measures used | Si | Se | L | D | Justification | RPI |
|-----|--------------------|-----------------------|----|----|---|---|---------------|-----|
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |
| | | | | | | | | |

| No. | Identified hazards | Control measures used | Si | Se | L | D | Justification | RPI |
|-----|---|---|----|----|---|---|--|-----|
| 1 | Risk of cut, sting | Restraint tubes, replacement of scalpels with thin blunt- tipped scissors, no use of glass | 4 | 2 | 3 | 5 | Impossible to predict this risk in advance - highly dependent on the animal-tester pair | 120 |
| 2 | Risk of bite, scratch | Wearing 2 pairs of gloves | 3 | 1 | 3 | 5 | Same as 1 | 45 |
| 3 | Risk of unintentional release of an animal infected with the MOT | Cages with fixed lids Animals placed in an isolator Counting the animals in the cage whenever it is opened | 3 | 2 | 2 | 3 | Check that the cage lids are securely in place Count the animals every day | 36 |
| 4 | Risk of the MOT being excreted by an animal | Animals placed in an isolator Type A3 animal facility Wearing very high-coverage PPE | 5 | 2 | 5 | 5 | Culturing ground dirty bedding to test for Brucella | 250 |
| 5 | Risk of contact with the body fluids or tissues of the contaminated animal | Wearing PPE with high skin coverage | 5 | 2 | 1 | 2 | Splashing when handling Stains on the workstation's absorbent paper | 20 |
| 6 | Risk related to MOT multiplication by the animal | Animals placed in an isolator Type A3 animal facility Wearing very high-coverage PPE | 5 | 2 | 5 | 4 | Testing for MO multiplication in the animal Bibliographic data? | 200 |
| 7 | Risk of there being an animate vector | Animals placed in an isolator Type A3 animal facility Installation of traps for flying insects | 5 | 3 | 2 | 2 | Occasional verification of the traps | 60 |

| Example No. 1: Animal testing with handling | of mice inoculated with Brucella |
|---|----------------------------------|
| | |

| 8 | Risk of animal exchange | Electronic identification by RFID chips | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | List of the nos. of animals in the cage Verification of the list when the cage is opened | 30 |
|---|----------------------------|--|---|---|---|---|---|----|

Example no. 2: implementation of the animal phase as part of Biotox water tests for ricin

| Identified hazards | Control measures used | Si | Se | L | D | Justification | RPI |
|---|---|----|----|---|---|--|-----|
| Risk of sting During intraperitoneal (IP) injection of the sample | Wearing PPE Accreditation of staff practising IP | 5 | 3 | 2 | 3 | To justify D, accredited staff know from experience whether a mouse is poorly attached and might move during injection, and know to wait for it to calm down | 90 |
| Risk of unintentional release of an animal infected with the MOT After injection, mice are no longer handled unless they need to be euthanised because they did not die from the injection | Ventilated rack identified and number of mice known Sealed secondary containment. | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | For D, accredited staff know how the lid and box should be positioned to limit risks of leaks. Moreover, if a mouse is handled after injection, it is for euthanasia and so the injection contains few or no pathogens. | 30 |
| Risk of contact with the body fluids or tissues of the contaminated animal When the mouse is euthanised, if applicable | No handling animals after injection except for euthanasia and wearing PPE Mice isolated in sealed racks marked "Biotox in progress" | 5 | 1 | 3 | 4 | For D, the mouse's position in the hand can keep the hand from being splashed if urine is released. Otherwise, same comment as to euthanasia for Biotox mice, adding that a mouse contaminated by ricin does not excrete it | 60 |
| Risk of eye damage During IP injection of mice | During injection but work conducted in a BSC and | 5 | 1 | 3 | 4 | Prior detection is difficult but moments of inattention would really need to be combined | 60 |

| | visors worn | | | | | to bring about such a scenario | |
|---|---|---|---|---|---|--|----|
| Risk of the MOT coming into contact with a body part During IP injection of mice | PPE | 5 | 1 | 3 | 5 | No comment | 75 |
| Risk related to the water supply | Backflow preventer | 5 | 1 | 2 | 4 | Preventive maintenance and visible backflow preventer | 40 |
| Risk of breach of the primary containment = cages and ventilated racks | Appropriate, verified cages | 5 | 1 | 2 | 5 | Maintenance should only be conducted on the filters of the ventilated racks | 50 |
| Risk of breach of the secondary containment = P3 laboratory | P3 maintenance | 5 | 1 | 1 | 2 | Secondary containment = P3 which is maintained and enough parameters are alarmed (Pressure, Air handling units, AHUs) | 10 |
| Risk of the MOT splashing in the air | If the tube falls but work conducted in a BSC during handling | 5 | 1 | 2 | 3 | Various materials and stoppered tubes stored in a BSC | 30 |
| Risk of the MOT splashing on a surface (spillage, etc.) During IP injection of mice | In the BSC | 5 | 1 | 4 | 3 | Various materials and stoppered tubes stored in a BSC | 60 |

4. Acceptability of residual risk

4.1. Calculating residual risk

This table only shows operations whose RPI value is equal to or greater than 180

| Operati on no. | RPI | Proposed corrective action | Residual RPI | Deadline for application | Person responsible for implementing the measure |
|-------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------------|---|
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |
| | | | | | |

4.2. Approval of risk management and acceptability of residual risk

| Name | Position | Date | Signature |
|------|----------|------|-----------|
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| | | | |

| Comments | | | |
|----------|--|--|--|
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| | | | |
| | | | |

5. Rating scales for the assessment of biological safety risk

| Degree | Intrinsic severity | |
|-----------|---|---|
| Very high | quantity unknown | 5 |
| High | quantity of MOT handled much higher than the infectious/toxic dose for humans | 4 |
| Average | quantity of MOT handled equal to the infectious/toxic dose for humans | 3 |
| Low | quantity of MOT handled poses a negligible risk to humans | 1 |

| Degree | Extrinsic severity | |
|---------|--|---|
| Serious | can cause very serious or irreversible injuries to humans or mass exposure/dissemination | 3 |
| Average | can cause significant injuries for humans or very likely exposure/dissemination | 2 |
| Benign | can cause mild injuries for humans or a very limited risk of exposure/dissemination | 1 |

| Degree | Likelihood | |
|------------|--|---|
| Frequent | certainty that the failure will frequently occur | 5 |
| Likely | frequent failure | 4 |
| Occasional | failure occurred occasionally with a similar process | 3 |
| Rare | could occur and has been observed once | 2 |
| Unlikely | could occur, but has never been observed | 1 |

| Degree | Detectability | |
|------------|--|---|
| Impossible | Detection is not possible | 5 |
| Difficult | An experienced person needs to verify several parameters and interpret a complex situation to highlight the possible occurrence of the event. | 4 |
| Moderate | An experienced person or a measurement/test can detect that the event could occur | 3 |
| Easy | There are multiple factors that could alert the personnel before the event occurs | 2 |
| Obvious | A novice could easily detect the event before it occurred. | 1 |

Calculating the criticality index for the assessment of biological safety risk

RPI: Si x Se x L x D

| IPR | ≤ 90 | 90 à 180 | ≥ 180 |
|-----------------|---|--|---|
| Risk | Low | Middle | Not acceptable |
| Recommandations | The analysed processus could be applied | Supplementary measures are necessary | The analysed processus could NOT be applied |

BOOKLET 2

Analysis of biological security risks

The management of risks related to **biological security** is intended to identify, analyse and control hazardous phenomena likely to lead to the theft of pathogenic micro-organisms or toxins or their misuse.

1. Hazard identification

| Possession of MOTs | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--|----------|-------|------|
| | Comments | | |
| Use of biological material likely to | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| contain an MOT | Comments | | |
| Use of non-infectious MOTs | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| Possession of genetic material | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| GMO handling | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| Use of animal testing | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| Possession of equipment for | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| culturing biological agents (including fermenter, incubator, freeze-dryer, centrifuge, aerosolisation device, etc.) | Comments | | |

O If all answers are negative, it is not necessary to continue further before the risk identification process.

| Risk of one or more external | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|---|--|-------|------|
| parties breaking and entering into | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
| the site | | | |
| Risk of one or more external parties | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| breaking and entering into the MOT storage building | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
| Risk of breaking and entering into | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| the MOT storage room or handling by one or more external parties | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
| Risk of breaking and entering into | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| the MOT storage building or | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
| handling by an unauthorised employee | | | |

| Risk of breaking and entering into | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|---|--|-------|------|
| the MOT storage room or handling by an unauthorised employee | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
| by an anadanonisca employee | | | |
| Risk of electronic intrusion into the | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| computer network | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of access to the site or building | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| being blocked | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
| | | | |
| Risk of staff being assaulted to | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| retrieve MOTs | Comments and history from the last 5 years | - | |
| | | | |
| Other | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments and history from the last 5 years | | |
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2. Description of risk control measures

2.1. Perimeter protection and site access

| Protected enclosure - fence | ves 🗌 no 🗌 |
|--|--|
| | Comments |
| | (specify the composition, location on the site and height) |
| If the building's walls are also the | |
| enclosure, protection of all openings | Comments |
| located less than 5.50m above ground level | |
| 5 | |
| Detection system for perimeter | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| intrusion | Comments |
| | (specify the type of detection system, location on the site and |
| | management of alarms) |
| | |
| CCTV system | yes no |
| | Comments (specify the type of system, location on the site and management of alarms) |
| Is there a security | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| post/guardhouse/security guard? | Comments |
| | Description of the security system (mission, workforce, |
| | subcontracting, continuous or occasional duty, |
| | days/nights/weekends, rounds) |
| Onsite perimeter lighting system | yes no |
| | Comments |
| Description of crossing points (gate): | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| | Comments |
| | |
| Other arrangement (specify): | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| | Comments |
| | |

2.2. Building perimeter protection

| Break-in resistance of windows, primary and secondary exits and low-resistance wall panels | Comments: describe the system | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|---|-------------------------------|-------|------|
| Description of the intrusion detection system for required entry and exit points, valuable areas and the zones leading up to these areas | Comments and description | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| Other arrangement (specify): | Comments | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |

2.3. Physical Protection of Storage Units

| Units intended for storing MOTs including a locking system (traditional or electronic) that cannot be opened fraudulently without forcing. | Comments | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--|---------------------------------|-------|------|
| Units intended for storing | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| information or information media are | Comments | | |
| secure | Description of security systems | | |
| Other arrangement (specify): | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |

2.4. Information system security

| Computer protection system used | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--------------------------------------|---------------------------|-------|------|
| | Comments | | |
| | Description of the system | | |
| Is a password required to access the | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| establishment's internal and/or | Comments | | |
| external network? | | | |
| | | | |
| Is a password required to access the | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| computer system? | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Other (specify) | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| | | | |

2.6. Inventory

| Scheduled MOT inventories | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|--|----------|-------|------|
| | Comments | | |
| Is there a traceability system for | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| incoming/outgoing MOTs, products containing them and infected animals between the site's various buildings and on the site? | Comments | | |

2.7. Access controls for permanent and temporary employees

| Is there an access control system for | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|---------------------------------------|----------|-------|------|
| the site? deployment level | Comments | | |
| | | | |
| Is there an access control system for | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| the areas where MOTs are | Comments | | |

| stored/handled? methods | | | |
|--|----------|-------|------|
| Procedure for assigning access | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| codes and keys | Comments | | |
| Procedure for withdrawing access | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| codes and keys | Comments | | |
| Verification of entrances/exits in the | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| various areas under control | Comments | | |
| Badge permanently worn | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | Comments | | |
| Procedure for checking vehicles | | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| accessing the site | Comments | | |

2.8. Upkeep, maintenance and repairs

| Specific procedure for companies in charge of upkeep, maintenance and repairs in areas with MOTs or sensitive data | yes no Comments |
|---|--------------------|
| Establishment of preventive maintenance for facilities with MOTs | yes no Comments |
| Establishment of preventive maintenance for critical equipment | yes no Comments |

2.9. Site access - Visitors

| Control procedure for visitors | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
|---|-------------|
| | Comments |
| Are visitors accompanied? | |
| Do visitors have access to controlled | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| areas? | Which ones? |
| Is there a register of visitors linked to | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| the access control system? | Comments |
| Authorisation procedure for visiting | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| facilities | Comments |
| Procedure for checking visitor | yes 🗌 no 🗌 |
| vehicles accessing the site | Comments |

2.10. Staff training and awareness-raising

| Is training/awareness-raising on security provided before staff perform an activity involving contact with MOTs? | Comments | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|---|----------|-------|------|
| Is the security training/awareness- raising repeated on a regular basis? | Comments | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
| | | | |

2.11. Internal transport

| Is there a specific procedure for | yes 🗌 | no 🗌 |
|-----------------------------------|----------|------|
| transporting biological materials | Comments | |
| between various controlled areas? | | |

2.12. Other Risk Control Measures

| yes | 🗌 nc | \Box |
|----------|------|--------|
| Comments | | |
| | | |

3. Risk analysis

This section should be completed for each operation, taking into account the hazards identified in Section A.

The risk rating scales are presented in Chapter 5

| No. | Potential risks | Control measures used | Severity (S) | Likelihood (L) | RPI (SxL) |
|-----|-----------------|-----------------------|-----------------|-------------------|--------------|
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4. Acceptability of residual risk

This table only shows operations whose RPI value is equal to or greater than 12

| Operati on no. | RPI | Proposed corrective action | Residual RPI | Deadline for application | Person responsible for implementing the measure |
|-------------------|-----|----------------------------|-----------------|--------------------------|---|
| | | | | | |
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Approval of risk management and acceptability of residual risk

| Name | Position | Date | Signature |
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5. Rating scales for risks related to biological security

| Degree | Severity: nature of the MOT/sensitive goods | Value |
|--------------|--|-------|
| Catastrophic | Presence on the site of a vector infected with an MO or Annex I micro-organisms or toxins | 5 |
| Critical | Annex II micro-organisms or toxins | 4 |
| Significant | Nucleic acid greater than 500 bp or whole genome from Annex I or II or deactivated MOT, plasmid | 3 |
| Minor | Antigenic material or incomplete genome less than 500 bp | 1 |

| Degree | Likelihood that the scenario will occur | Value |
|------------|---|-------|
| Frequent | certainty that the scenario will occur | 5 |
| Likely | frequent failure | 4 |
| Occasional | failure occurred occasionally with a similar process | 3 |
| Rare | could occur and has been observed once in the establishment | 2 |
| Unlikely | could occur, but has never been observed | 1 |

Criticality index: RPI = S x L

| RPI | Risk | Action |
|---------------|--|--|
| RPI < 10 | Low | The analysed process can be applied |
| 10 < RPI < 14 | 0 < RPI < 14 Average Additional measures are necessary | |
| RPI > 14 | Unacceptable | The analysed process cannot be applied |

| S L | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
|--------|---|----|----|----|----|
| 1 | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 |
| 3 | 3 | 6 | 9 | 12 | 15 |
| 4 | 4 | 8 | 12 | 16 | 20 |
| 5 | 5 | 10 | 15 | 20 | 25 |