

3M™ Attest™ Mini Auto-reader 490M

Skills Assessment for use of the 3M™ Attest™ Mini Auto-reader 490M with 3M™ Attest™ Super Rapid Readout Biological Indicators for Steam 1491/1492V and/or 3M™ Attest™ Rapid Readout Biological Indicators for VH2O2 1295



Employee Name: _____

Date: _____

Facility: _____

Department: _____

Assessor's Name: _____

Assessment Acceptable? Yes No

Observation Checklist

Task	Task Completed
Steam processed BIs: BI is allowed to cool for 10 minutes prior to activation; safety glasses are donned; BI is identified (i.e., load #, sterilizer #, and date are written on BI label); BI activator is used to close cap and crush media ampoule.	
VH202 processed BIs: Safety glasses and gloves are donned; pouched BI is inspected to verify media ampoule is intact and process indicator stripes have turned towards pink; BI is retrieved and identified (i.e., load #, sterilizer #, and date are written on BI label); within 1 hour of completion of the sterilization cycle, BI activator is used to close cap and crush media ampoule.	
BI is flicked to distribute purple growth media	
BI is inspected to verify presence of media in BI growth chamber (bottom of vial)	
BI is placed in an incubation well and 490M Auto-reader displays remaining minutes of incubation	
Test BI lot # and result are documented according to facility policy	
Control BI lot # and result are documented or user verifies a control BI result has already been documented for the day	

Written Assessment

- A control biological indicator (BI), having the same Lot # and Cat # as the test BI(s), should be placed in each Auto-reader 490M at what frequency?
 - Daily and whenever a box having a new lot number is opened
 - Weekly
 - Monthly
 - Once/box of biological indicators or challenge packs
- To consider test BI results valid, the control BI should give a (circle one) positive or negative result as indicated by a (circle one) +' or '-' symbol on the Auto-reader 490M display.
- The full incubation period is required before a negative result is shown on the 490M Auto-reader display. Attest™ Super Rapid BIs [1491 (blue cap) and 1492V (brown cap)] and Rapid BIs 1295 (pink cap) all require ___ of incubation before a negative result ('-' symbol) will be shown:
 - 24 minutes
 - 30 minutes
 - 1 hour
 - 4 hours
- A negative result ('-' symbol on Auto-reader 490M display) for a processed BI indicates:
 - a failed sterilization cycle
 - a successful sterilization cycle
- When a positive result ('+' symbol on Auto-reader 490M display) occurs for a processed BI, and the cause of the failure cannot be immediately identified, (circle correct answer)
 - No action is necessary
 - That load should be recalled
 - All items processed in that sterilizer since the last cycle having a negative BI result should be recalled and your supervisor should be notified.