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Test procedure



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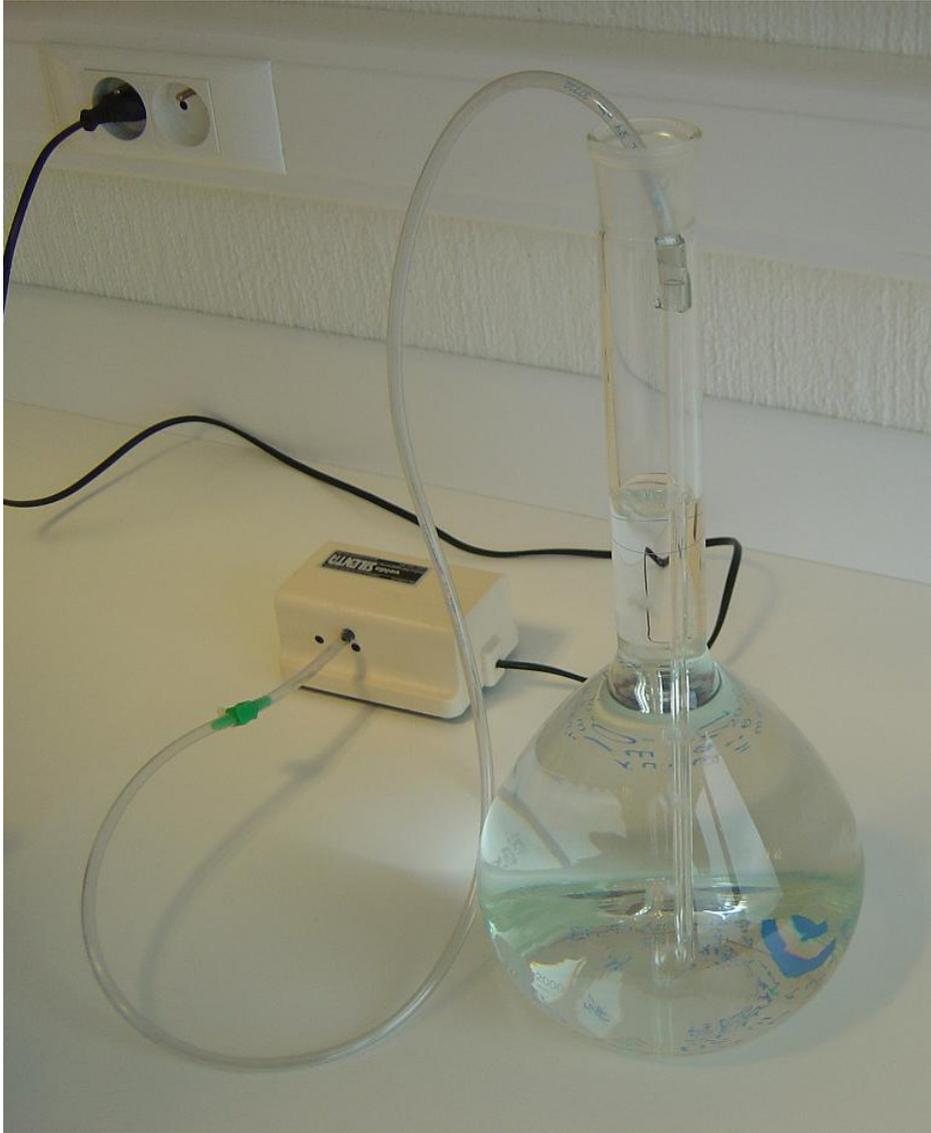
PREPARATION OF STANDARD FRESHWATER

- VOLUMETRIC FLASK (2 liter)
- VIALS WITH SOLUTIONS OF
CONCENTRATED SALTS
- DISTILLED (or deionized) WATER



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POUR THE 4 VIALS
WITH CONCENTRATED SALT SOLUTIONS
IN \pm 1 LITER DISTILLED WATER,
IN THE 2 LITER VOLUMETRIC FLASK



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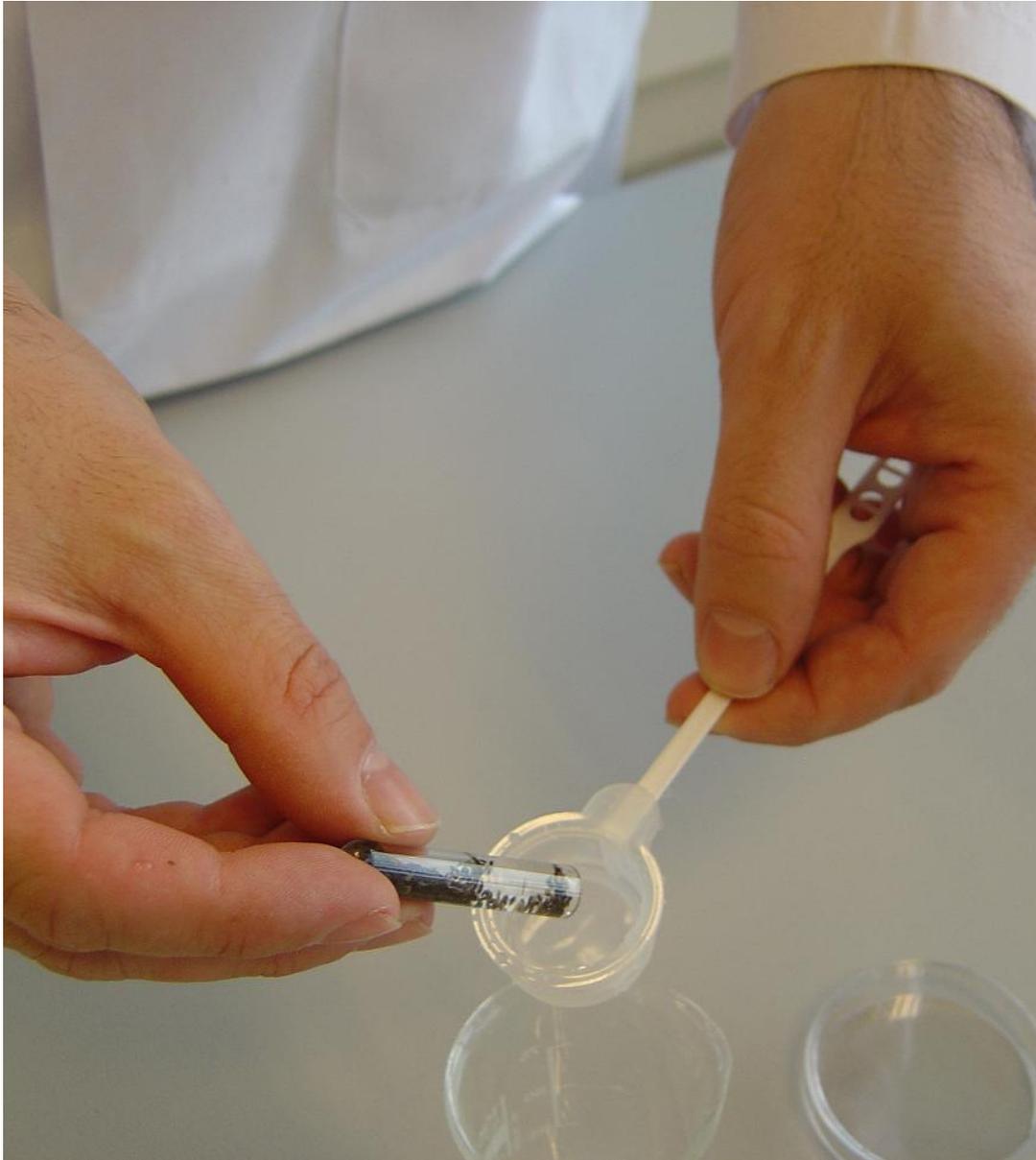
FILL THE FLASK TO THE 2 LITER MARK
AND AERATE FOR AT LEAST 15 MINUTES



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HATCHING OF THE EPHIPPIA

REMOVE THE
ALUMINIUM FOIL
FROM A TUBE
WITH DAPHNIA
EPHIPPIA



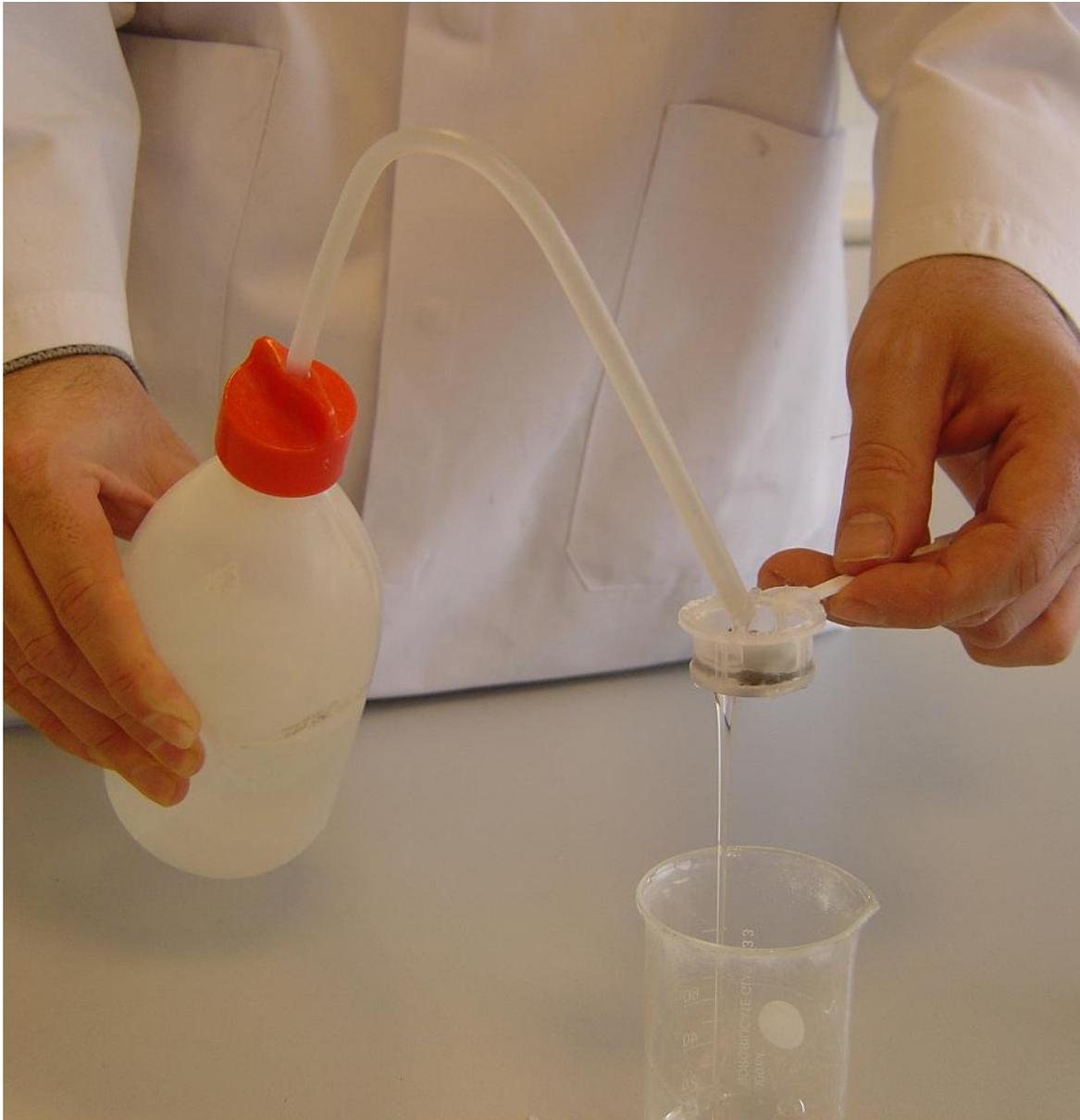
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POUR THE CONTENTS
OF THE TUBE WITH EPHIPPIA
IN THE MICROSIEVE



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MAKE SURE THAT
ALL THE EPHIPPIA
ARE TRANSFERRED
INTO THE MICROSIEVE



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RINSE THE EPHIPPIA
THOROUGHLY
WITH TAP WATER



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TRANSFER THE EPHIPPIA
INTO THE
HATCHING PETRI DISH
IN STANDARD FRESHWATER



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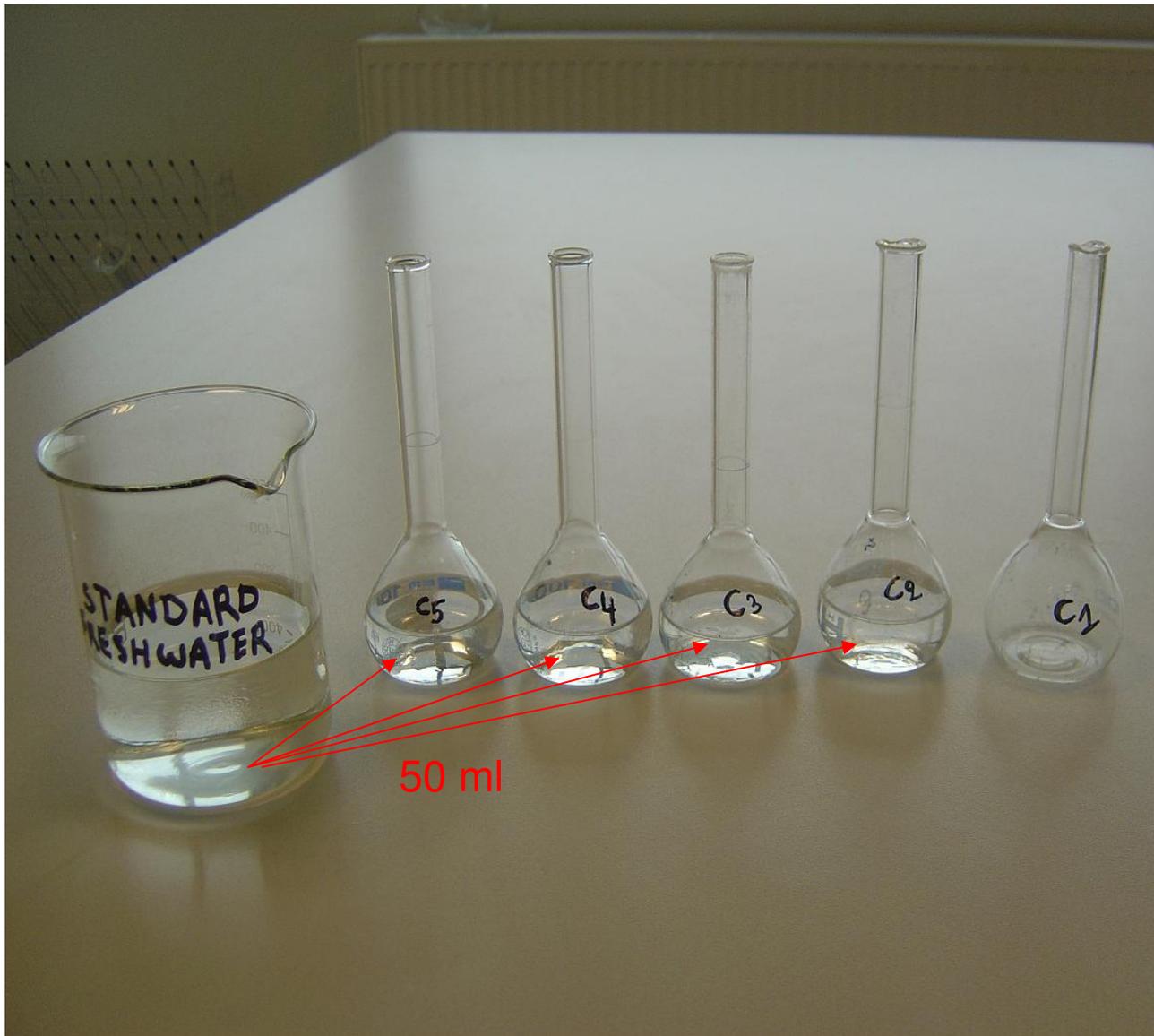
INCUBATE THE PETRI DISH
FOR 72h AT 20-22 °C
UNDER CONTINUOUS ILLUMINATION
OF 6 000 LUX



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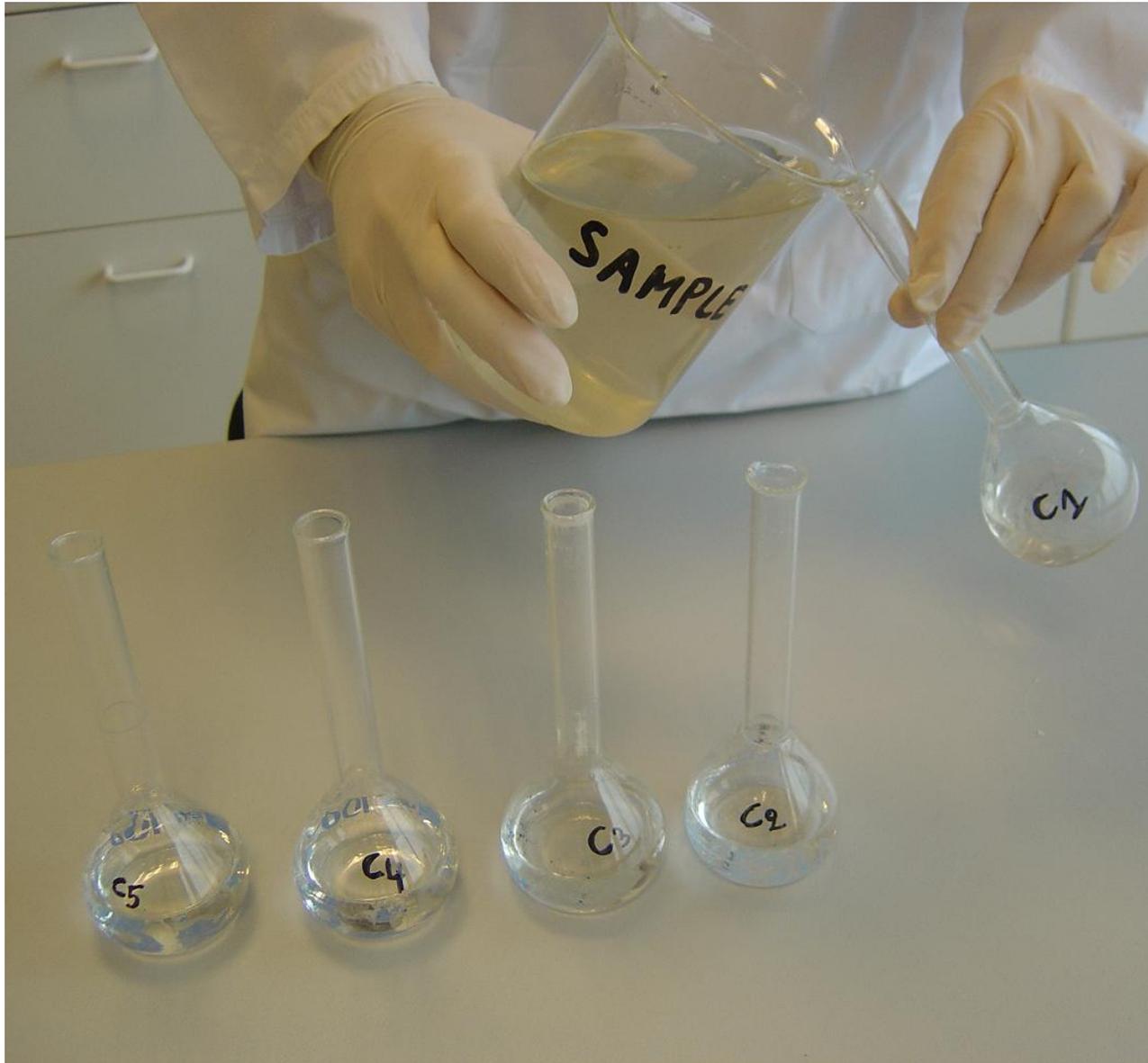
**PREPARATION OF THE
TOXICANT DILUTIONS**

For example :
TEST ON A EFFLUENT
IN 5 DILUTIONS (C1-C5)
+ ONE CONTROL



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TRANSFER 50 ML
STANDARD FRESHWATER
INTO FLASKS
C2, C3, C4 AND C5



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FILL FLASK C1
TO THE 100 ML MARK
WITH EFFLUENT



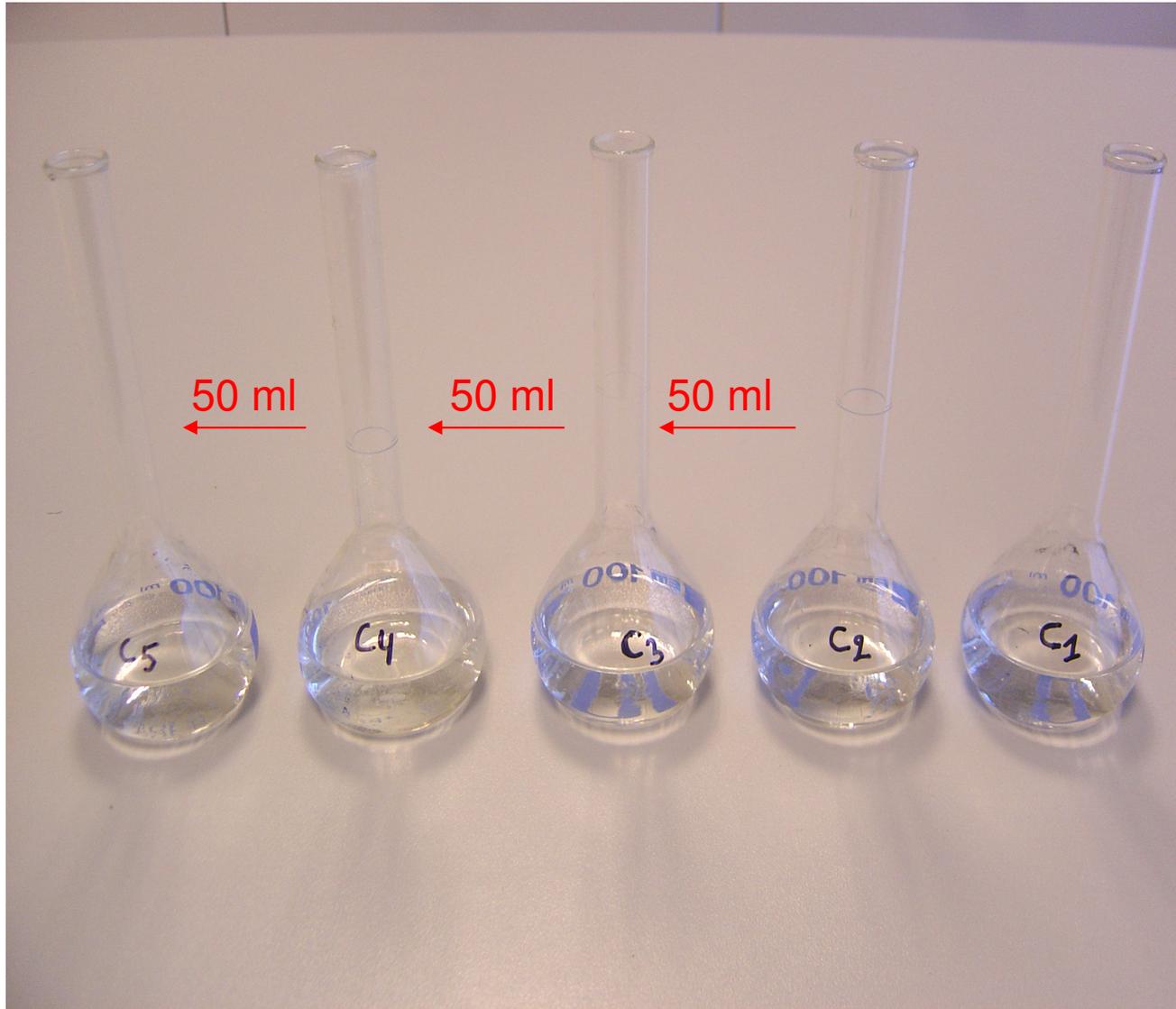
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TRANSFER 50 ML EFFLUENT
FROM FLASK C1
INTO A GRADUATED CYLINDER.



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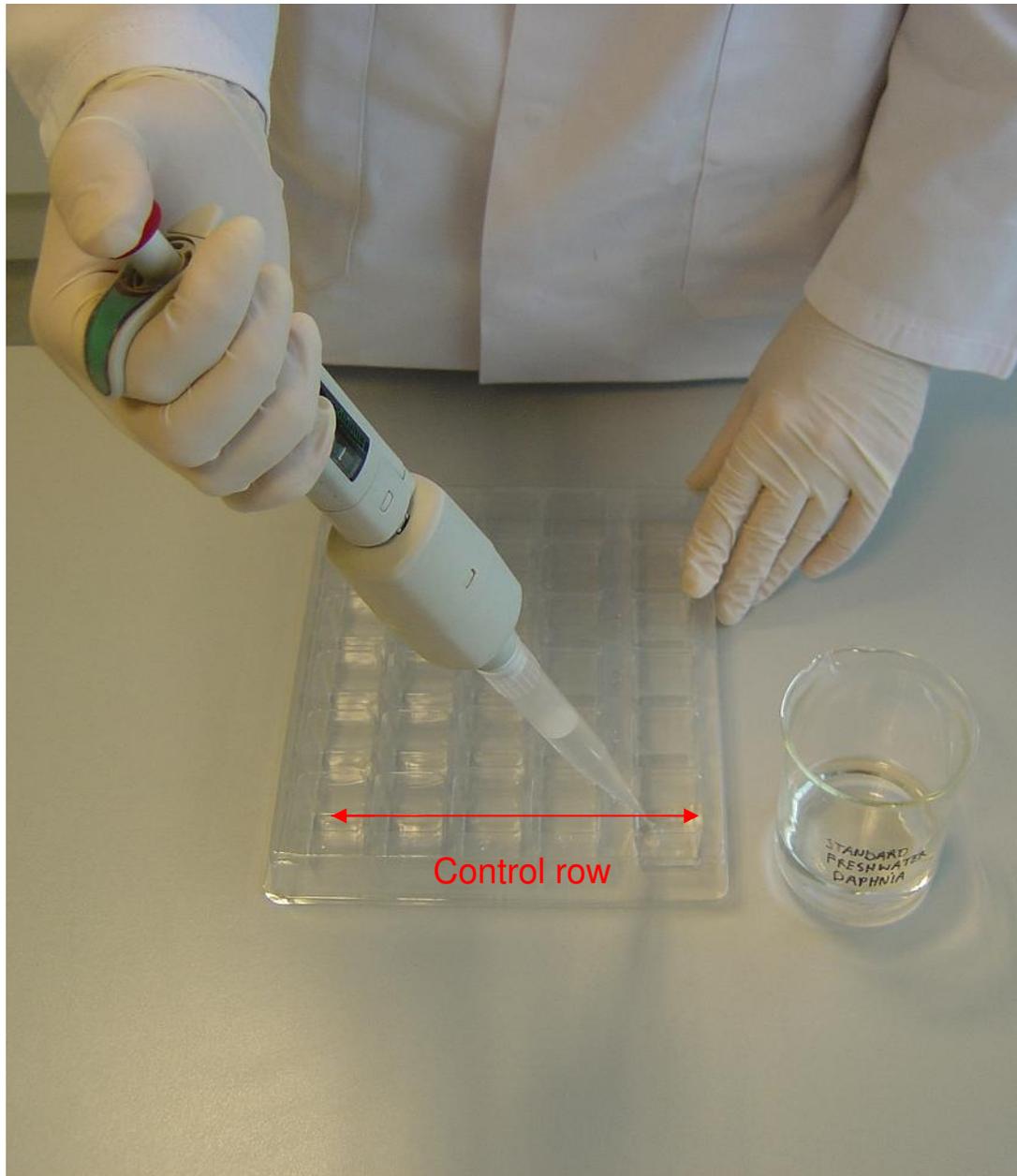
TRANSFER THE 50 ML EFFLUENT
FROM THE GRADUATED CYLINDER
TO FLASK C2 AND SHAKE
THOROUGHLY



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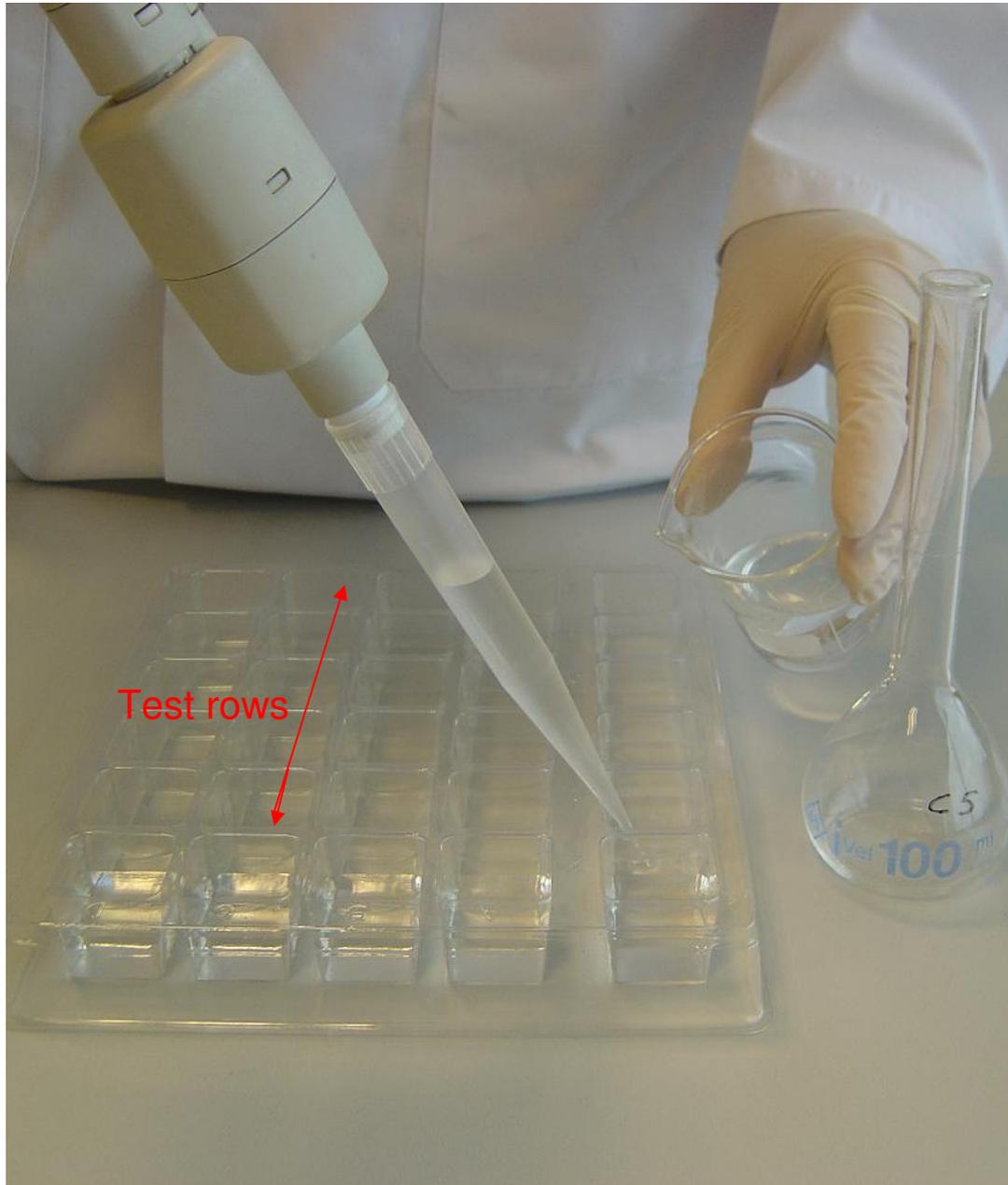
REPEAT THE FORMER
DILUTION PROCEDURE
FOR THE OTHER FLASKS
(i.e. 50 ml from C2 to C3, etc).

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FILLING OF THE TEST PLATE :

TRANSFER 10 ML
STANDARD FRESHWATER
INTO EACH WELL
OF THE CONTROL ROW



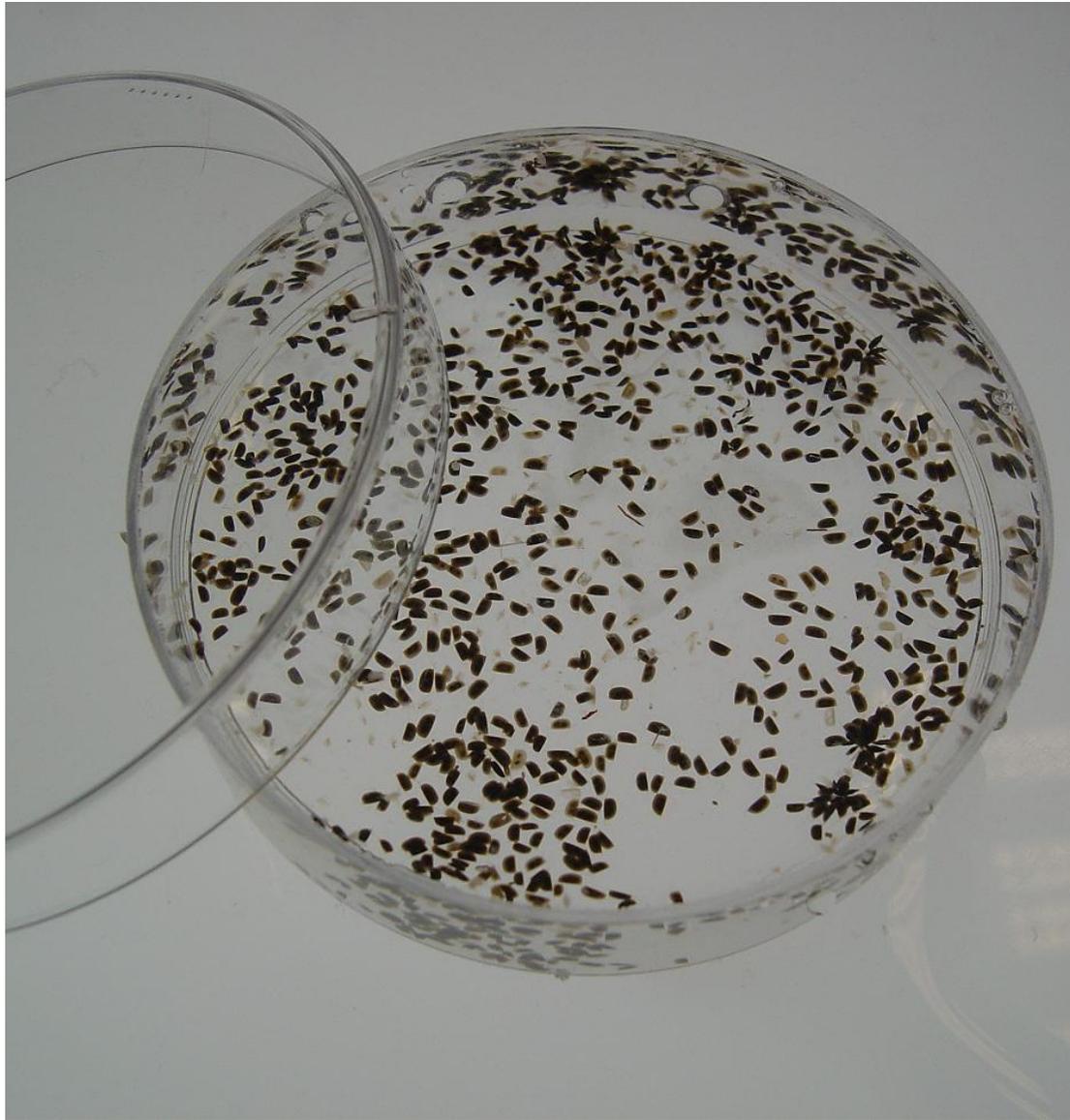
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TRANSFER 10 ML OF THE
RESPECTIVE TOXICANT
CONCENTRATIONS
INTO EACH WELL
OF THE CORRESPONDING ROWS
FROM C5 TO C1



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AFTER 72h TO 80h
INCUBATION
VERIFY THE HATCHING
OF THE DAPHNIA NEONATES



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A MINIMUM OF 120 NEONATES
ARE NEEDED TO PERFORM
ONE TEST AND THE NEONATES
SHOULD NOT BE OLDER THAN 24H



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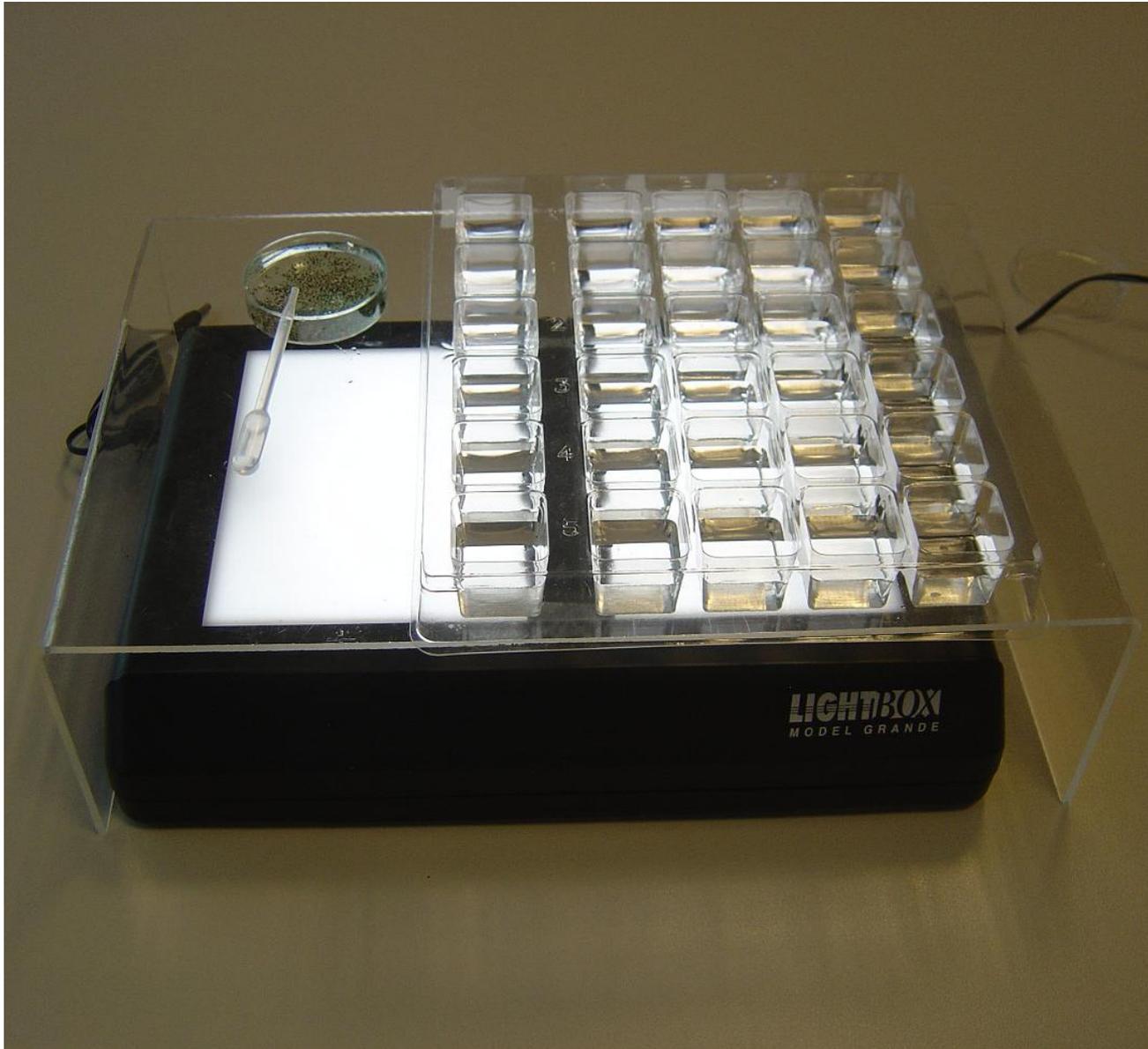
**2h PRE-FEEDING
OF THE TEST ORGANISMS**

TAKE ONE VIAL
WITH SPIRULINA POWDER
AND FILL IT
WITH STANDARD FRESHWATER



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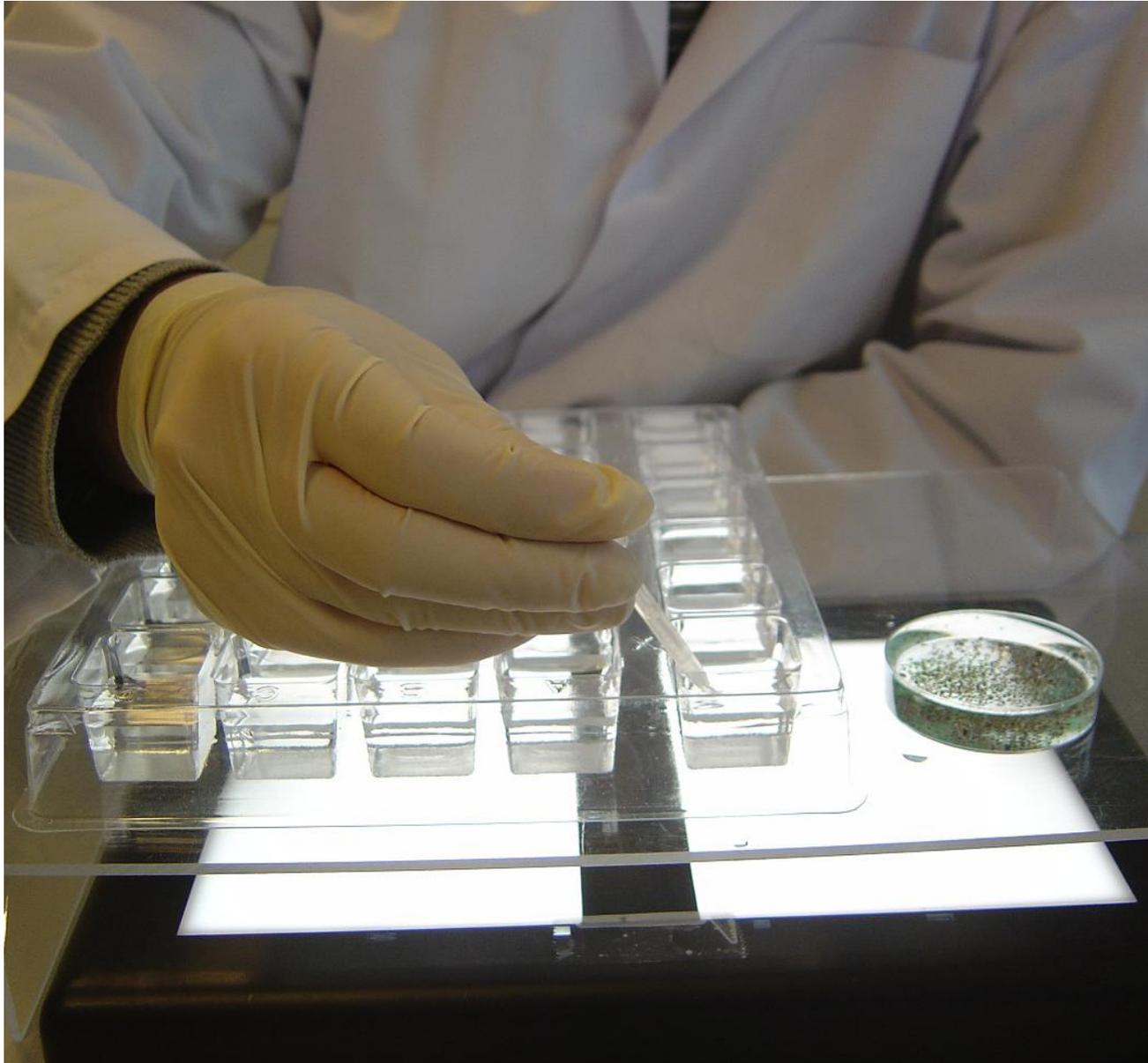
SHAKE THE VIAL
WITH THE SPIRULINA SUSPENSION,
POUR IT IN THE PETRI DISH
WITH THE DAPHNIA NEONATES
AND SWIRL THE PETRI DISH GENTLY



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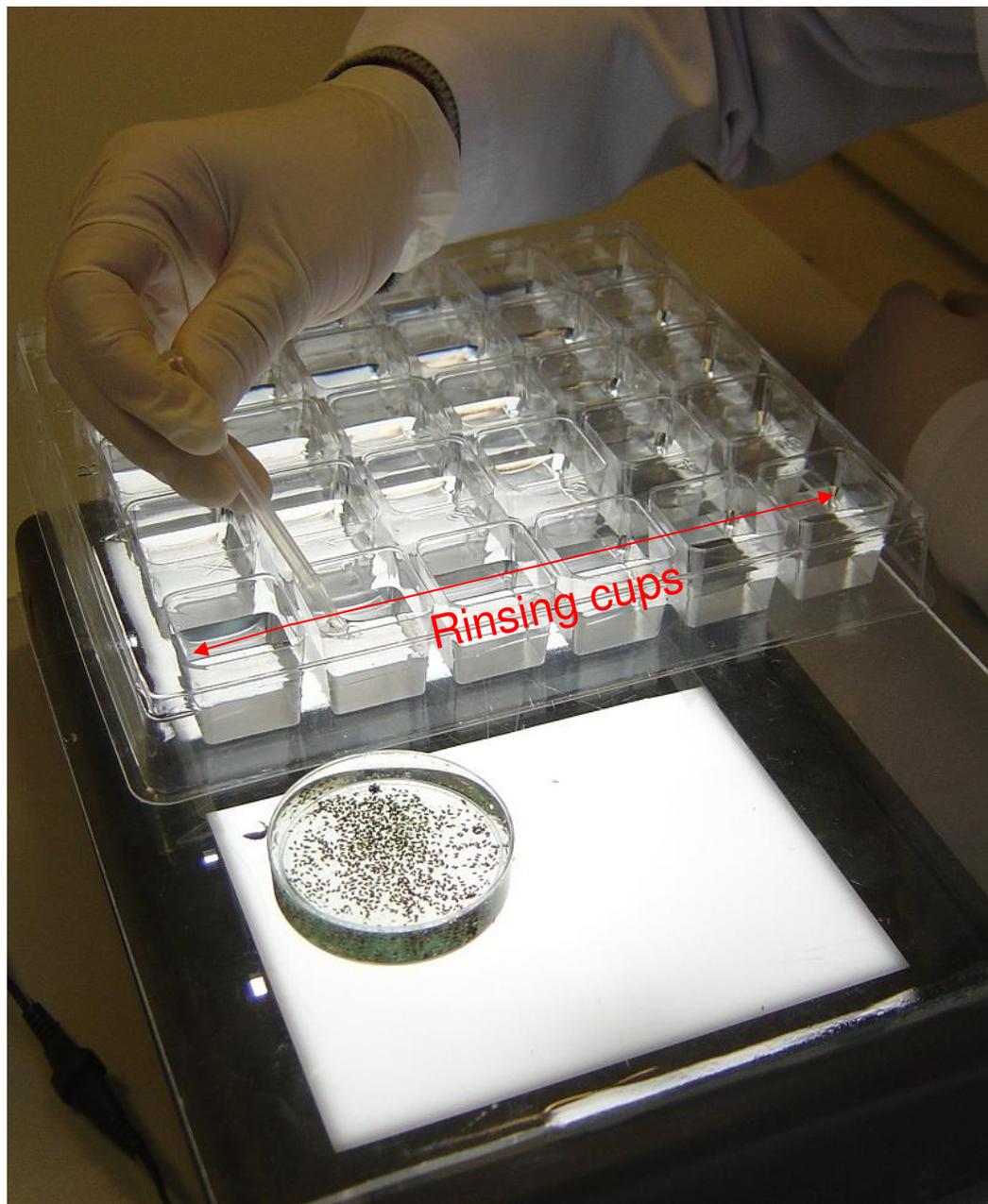
**SET UP
OF THE TRANSFER
OF THE DAPHNIAS
TO THE TEST WELLS**

- MULTIWELL PLATE
- LIGHT BOX WITH
TRANSPARENT STAGE
- MICROPIPETTE



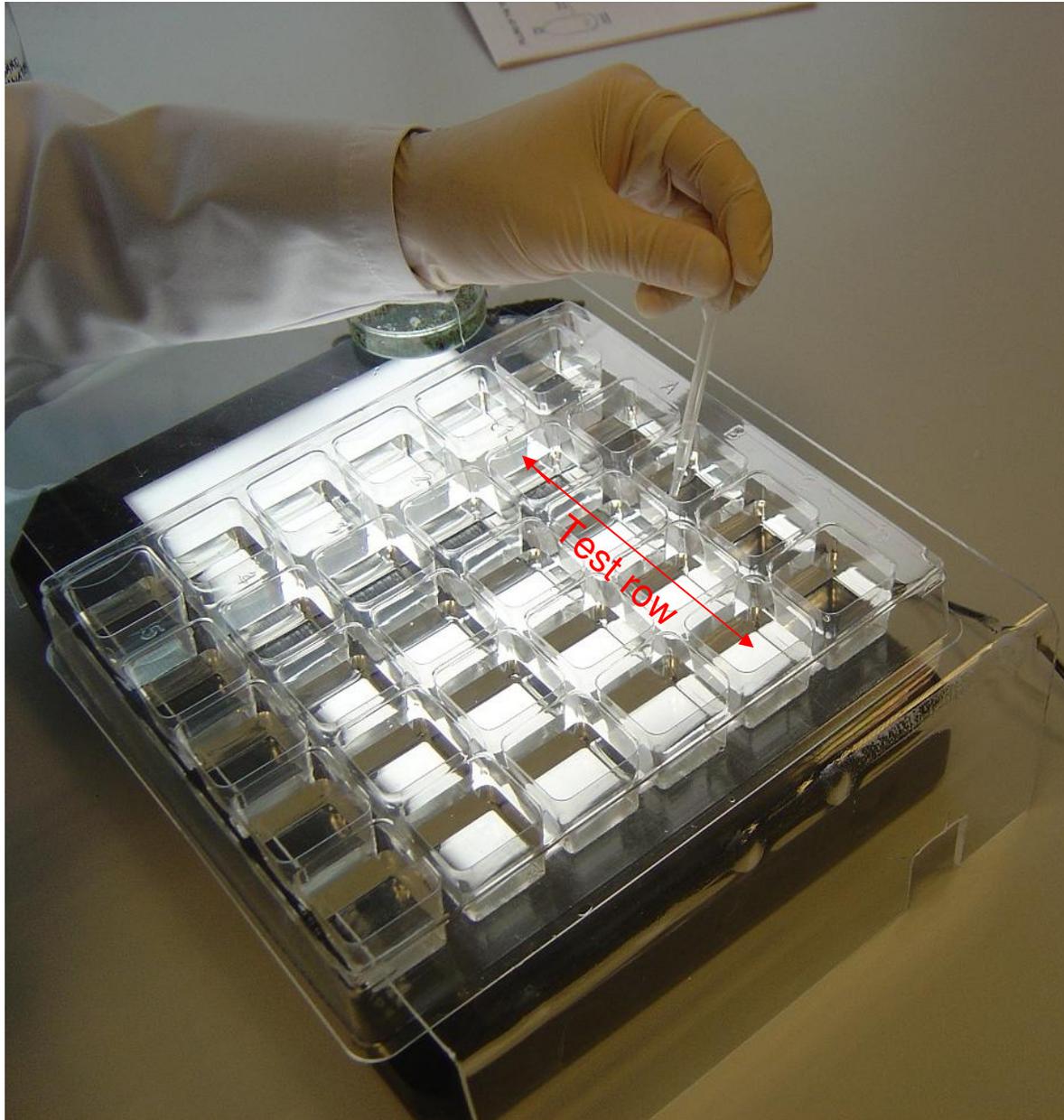
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TRANSFER AT LEAST 20
(actively swimming)
DAPHNIAS INTO
THE RINSING CUP
OF THE CONTROL ROW,



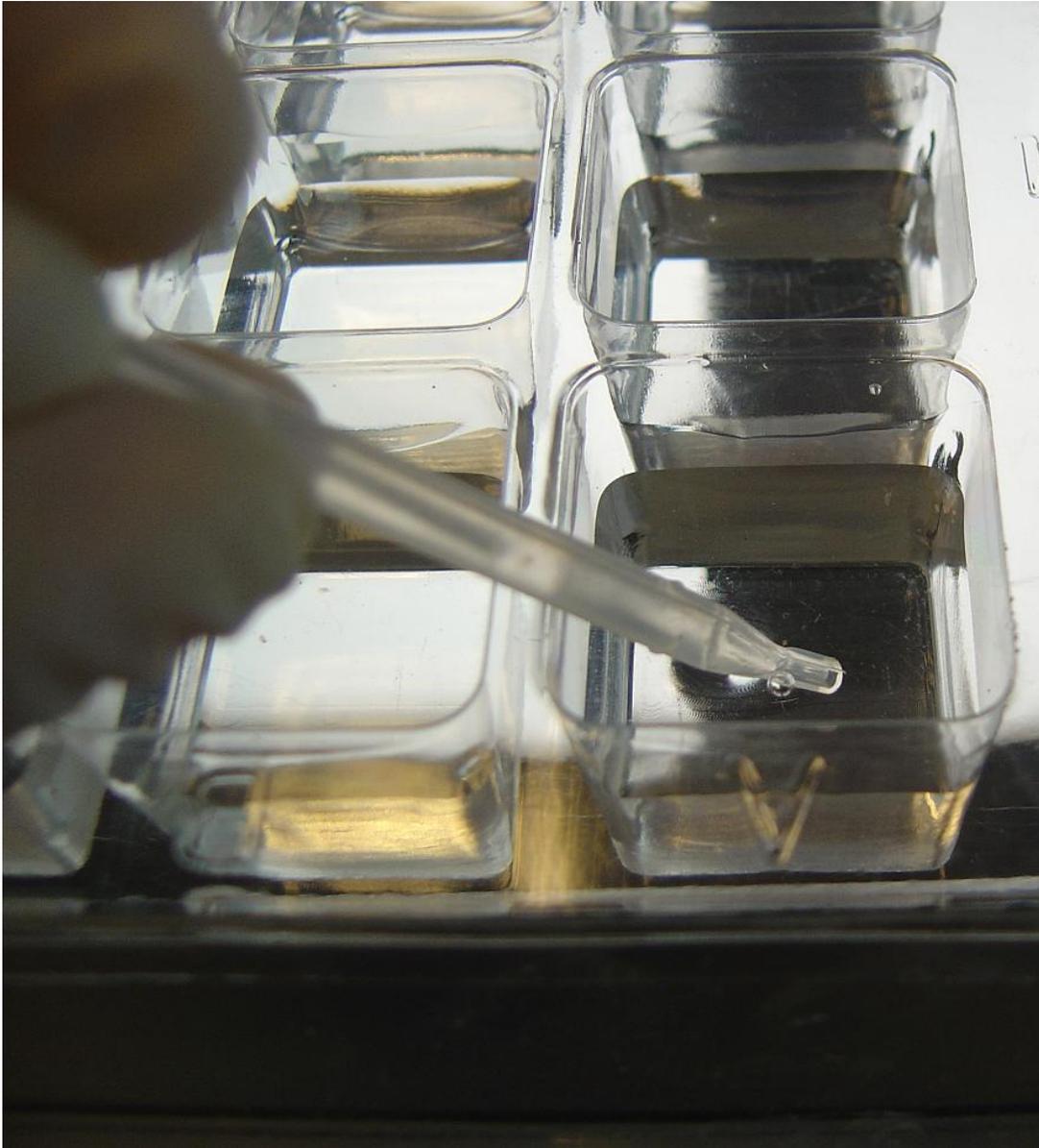
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TRANSFER 20 DAPHNIAS (minimum)
TO ALL THE OTHER RINSING CUPS,
IN ORDER OF INCREASING
CONCENTRATIONS OF TOXICANT



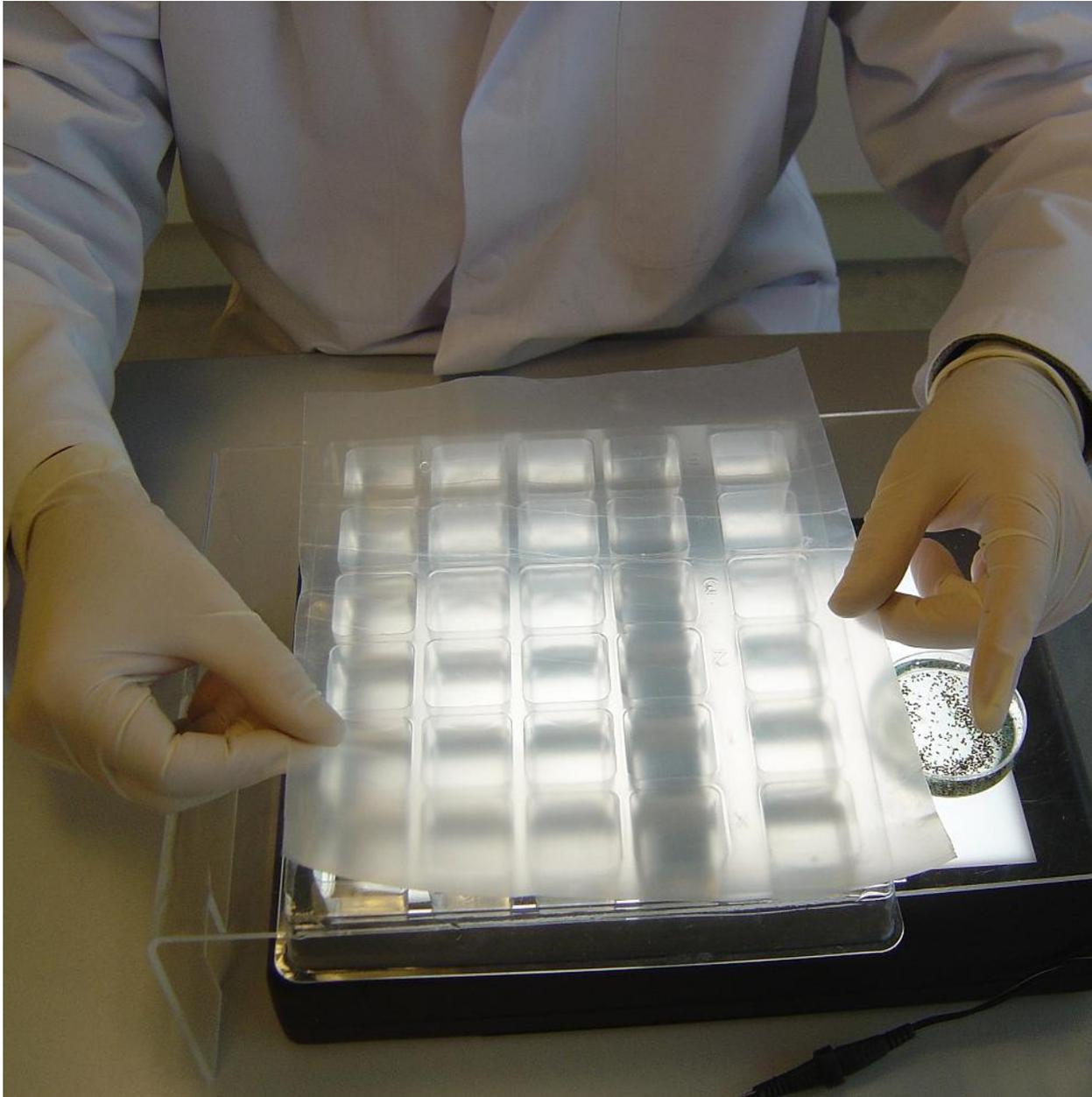
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TRANSFER EXACTLY 5
DAPHNIAS FROM EACH
RINSING WELL
INTO THE 4 WELLS
OF THE CORRESPONDING
ROW



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TO AVOID SURFACE FLOATING
OF THE DAPHNIAS
DURING THE TRANSFER,
PUT THE TIP OF THE
MICROPIPETTE IN THE MEDIUM,
AND DO NOT DROP THE ORGANISMS
AT THE SURFACE OF THE MEDIUM



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PUT A PIECE OF PARAFILM
ON THE MULTIWELL PLATE
AND PUT THE COVER
ON TIGHTLY



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INCUBATION OF THE TEST PLATE

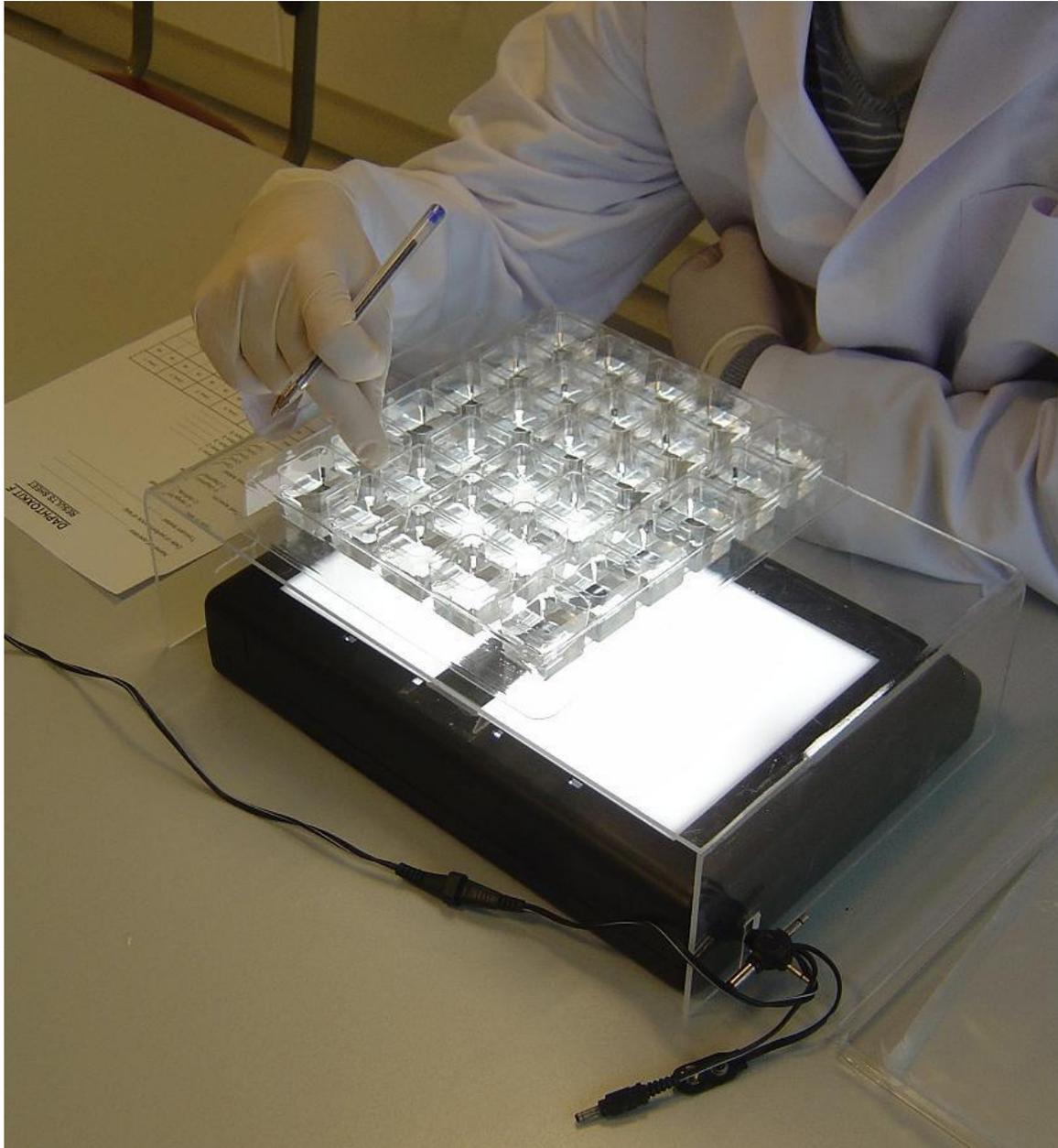
INCUBATE THE MULTIWELL
AT 20 ± 2 °C IN DARKNESS

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SCORING OF THE RESULTS

AFTER 24h AND 48h INCUBATION
PUT THE MULTIWELL PLATE
ON THE LIGHT TABLE
AND RECORD THE NUMBER
OF DEAD AND
IMMOBILIZED DAPHNIAS





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DAPHNIAS WHICH ARE NOT
ABLE TO SWIM
AFTER GENTLE AGITATION
OF THE LIQUID FOR 15 SECONDS
SHALL BE CONSIDERED
AS IMMOBILIZED
(even if they can still
move their antennae)



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- SCORE THE FIGURES ON THE RESULTS SHEET.
- CALCULATE THE TOTAL NUMBER OF DEAD AND IMMOBILE DAPHNIAS FOR EACH TOXICANT CONCENTRATION
- CALCULATE THE MEAN EFFECT AND THE PERCENTAGE EFFECT