

## Deposit Policy

1. TBRC accepts different materials as follows (details are indicated in terms and conditions for deposition of each material):
  - 1.1. Microorganisms
  - 1.2. Molecular materials
  - 1.3. Viruses
2. Materials must be designated as Risk Group 1 or 2 only.
3. Deposit procedure is available at TBRC website. The depositor shall agree to provide information of materials by filling the appropriate deposit forms.
4. Out of full awareness and respect for the Convention on Biological Diversity (CBD), TBRC accepts only materials when information on the country of origin is provided.
5. The depositor is obliged to comply with all applicable laws and regulations.
6. The depositor shall make payment as indicated in the invoice. The bank fee shall be paid by the depositor.
7. Disclaimers
  - 7.1. TBRC shall not be responsible or liable for any damage, loss, deterioration, mutation or loss of viability of the deposited materials arising from any cause beyond TBRC's reasonable control including, without limitation, Acts of God, disaster, fire, flooding, explosions, war, riots, civil disorder, strikes, lockouts, labor disputes, theft, non-delivery of raw materials or any other contingency.
  - 7.2. TBRC shall not take any liability or responsibility for depositor's violation of laws or regulations.
  - 7.3. TBRC shall reserve the right to give no refund in any case.
8. Different categories of deposit are available. The depositor is obliged to follow terms and conditions specified under each category.
  - 8.1. Public deposit
  - 8.2. Safe deposit
  - 8.3. Patent deposit

## Terms and conditions for deposition of microorganisms at the Thailand Bioresource Research Center (TBRC)

### Public deposit

#### 1. Microorganisms accepted

- 1.1. TBRC accepts most groups of bacteria, yeasts and filamentous fungi classified in Risk Group 1 or 2.
- 1.2. TBRC only accepts microorganisms that can be preserved long-term by freezing, liquid-drying, or freeze-drying.
- 1.3. TBRC accepts microorganisms that have been cited or to be published in scientific literature or have special properties or characteristics such as production of enzymes, degradation of pollutants, species first reported in Thailand.

#### 2. Maintenance of microorganisms

Microorganisms will be managed according to TBRC practice and preserved by freezing, liquid-drying or freeze-drying depending on the type of microorganism.

#### 3. Distribution of microorganisms

- 3.1. The depositor allows TBRC to check and reproduce deposited microorganisms for further distribution with service fee.
- 3.2. TBRC has the right to verify requests of microorganisms from third parties prior to distribution under terms and conditions in the material transfer agreement or other agreements issued by TBRC.
- 3.3. Microorganisms deposited under publication purpose will be kept confidential until articles are published on-line, but not over one year from deposit date. If the publication process can not be concluded in one year, TBRC will issue a request requiring the depositor to submit a new contract. TBRC should be informed in writing whether the depositor wishes to:
  - 3.3.1. make microorganisms available for public access, or
  - 3.3.2. make a safe deposit and pay deposit fee.
- 3.4. For microorganisms deposited under “require distribution data”, TBRC will notify the depositor of distribution data (customer’s name and address and purpose of using microorganisms) via email after completing the distribution process.

#### 4. Deposit fee

Free of charge except deposit of microorganisms under “require distribution data”. The depositor pays a deposit fee according to the price list shown on the TBRC website. If TBRC receives no response from the depositor for 2 years after TBRC’s request for a renewal of maintenance agreement, notification of distribution data to the depositor will be terminated.