



Where can I get my agricultural water tested for microbial water quality in Florida?

Under proposed produce food safety guidelines, agricultural water that comes into contact with the harvestable portion of a crop covered under the rule will need to be tested for its microbial water quality. Typically, microbial water quality is evaluated by testing for the number of *E. coli* (by the Most Probable Number test, or MPN) in 100 ml (3.38 fl oz).

Below is a list of labs we know about that test for microbial water quality in Florida and their websites. Once you contact a company, they should provide you with everything you need to collect your agricultural water and get it tested.

ABC Research Corporation

Gainesville, FL

<http://www.abcr.com>

Covance Laboratories, Inc.

Daytona, FL

<http://www.covance.com>

Deibel Laboratories

Sarasota, Gainesville, or Lakeland, FL

<http://www.deibellabs.com/>

Eurofins Scientific, Inc.

Jacksonville, FL

<http://www.eurofins.com/>

IEH Food Safety Laboratories

Belle Glade, FL

<http://www.iehinc.com>

PrimusLabs

Belle Glade, FL

<http://www.primuslabs.com/>

Silliker Laboratories

Lakeland, FL

<http://www.silliker.com>

Thornton Labs

Tampa, FL

<http://www.thorntonlab.com/>

Questions? Contact your local UF/IFAS Extension Agent, Keith Schneider at 352-392-1991 x 309 (keiths29@ufl.edu) or Michelle Danyluk at 863-956-8654 (mddanyluk@ufl.edu).

If you are a water testing laboratory, and we've missed you, please let us know so we can add you to our list!