Figure 5.5. ISOLATION FROM FUNGAL FRUIT BODIES

1. Sterilise forceps by flaming with an alcohol lamp

2. Break mushroom or truffle in half to expose sterile tissue

3. Select a small piece of tissue and place on culture tube agar slope

4. Repeat procedure using different portions of the fungus fruiting body and several types of culture media (some with antibiotics)

5. Incubate media until growth occurs

6. Sub-culture to purify isolate

7. Check isolate purity

Make a collection of the same fungus for identification and to provide a herbarium voucher specimen