

Test Report No.: VX-TR-21-0079

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**DETERMINATION OF THE BACTERICIDAL ACTIVITY (EN 1276) OF
BERRYC**

Lab No.: VX-63-20-0003

Sample Name: BerryC

Method: EN 1276:2019 (E)

Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics – Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of bactericidal activity of chemical disinfectants and antiseptics used in food, industrial, domestic and institutional areas – Test method and requirements (phase 2, step 1)

Client: TEVO Creations Sdn Bhd
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Sample Receipt Date: 4 December 2020

Report Date: 2 February 2021

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Materials and Method

Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of bactericidal activity of chemical disinfectants and antiseptics used in the food, industrial, domestic, and institutional areas according to EN 1276:2019 (E)

- 1. Testing laboratory identification** Viroxy Sdn. Bhd.
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- 2. Sample identification**
 - 2.1 Sample name: BerryC
 - 2.2 Batch no.: Not specified
 - 2.3 Product appearance: Clear, colourless solution
 - 2.4 Manufacturer: TEVO Creations Sdn Bhd
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Bukit Minyak Industrial Estate, MK 13, S.P.T.
14100 Bukit Mertajam, Penang
Malaysia
 - 2.5 Active substance: Not specified
 - 2.6 Sample receipt date: 4 December 2020
 - 2.7 Storage conditions: Room temperature
 - 2.8 Product diluent: Distilled water
- 3. Experimental conditions**
 - 3.1 Testing period: 26 January 2021
 - 3.2 Test organism(s): *Enterococcus hirae* ATCC 10541
Escherichia coli ATCC 10536
Pseudomonas aeruginosa ATCC 15442
Staphylococcus aureus ATCC 6538
 - 3.3 Concentration / contact time: 100.00 %* / 5, 15 and 30 minutes
 - 3.4 Loading: 0.30 g/L bovine albumin solution
 - 3.5 Test temperature: 20 °C ± 1 °C
 - 3.6 Counting method: Pour plate
Spread plate (for *P. aeruginosa* only)
 - 3.7 Incubation period: 24 hours, 36 °C ± 1 °C

4. Test method and its validation

4.1 Testing method: Dilution-neutralization

4.2 Inactivation combination:

60.00 g/L Tween 80
60.00 g/L Saponin
6.00 g/L Lecithin
2.00 g/L L-Histidine
2.00 g/L L-Cysteine
in tryptone soya broth
50.00 g/L Tween 80
8.00 g/L Sodium dodecyl sulphate
3.00 g/L Lecithin
in tryptone soya broth (for <i>S. aureus</i> only)

The results of validation tests A, B, and C proved the viability of the method in all cases.

5. Test results

The results are stated in Tables A and B.

6. Conclusion

BerryC showed the required microbial reduction of $\geq 5.0 \log_{10}$ ($\geq 99.999\%$) against test strains *Enterococcus hirae* ATCC 10541, *Escherichia coli* ATCC 10536, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 15442, and *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 6538 in accordance with EN 1276:2019 (E) at 100.00 %* concentration after 5, 15 and 30 minutes under the stated conditions. According to the simple acceptance decision rule†, there is a minimal risk of false acceptance.

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7. Note

Bactericidal activity – the capability of a product to produce a reduction in the number of viable bacteria belonging to reference strains under defined conditions by at least 5 orders (10^5).

$R = N_0/N_a$ = the reduction in viability, or $\lg R = \lg N_0 - \lg N_a$

* The product can only be tested at 80.00 % concentration or less, as some dilution always occurs when test organisms and interfering substance are added.

† The decision rule applied is simple acceptance rule with no guard band and up to 50 % risk of false acceptance or rejection. This rule has been determined by the laboratory and agreed with the client prior to testing.

Table A: Evaluation of the bactericidal activity of BerryC on test strains according to EN 1276
Product: BerryC
Loading: 0.30 g/L bovine albumin solution
Test strain: *Enterococcus hirae* ATCC 10541

N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test suspension, N
10 ⁻⁶	225	231	N: 2.25 x 10 ⁸ N ₀ : 2.25 x 10 ⁷ lg N ₀ : 7.35
10 ⁻⁷	21	19	

Test concentration (%) / contact time (min)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test procedure, N _a N _a = $\bar{x} \times 10$
100.00* / 5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.21
100.00* / 15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.21
100.00* / 30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.21

Test strain: *Escherichia coli* ATCC 10536

N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test suspension, N
10 ⁻⁶	>330	>330	N: 4.10 x 10 ⁸ N ₀ : 4.10 x 10 ⁷ lg N ₀ : 7.61
10 ⁻⁷	45	37	

Test concentration (%) / contact time (min)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test procedure, N _a N _a = $\bar{x} \times 10$
100.00* / 5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.47
100.00* / 15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.47
100.00* / 30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.47

Test strain: *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 15442

N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test suspension, N
10 ⁻⁶	237	223	N: 2.27 x 10 ⁸ N ₀ : 2.27 x 10 ⁷ lg N ₀ : 7.36
10 ⁻⁷	22	18	

Test concentration (%) / contact time (min)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test procedure, N _a N _a = \bar{x} x 10
100.00* / 5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.21
100.00* / 15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.21
100.00* / 30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.21

Test strain: *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 6538

N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test suspension, N
10 ⁻⁶	251	239	N: 2.49 x 10 ⁸ N ₀ : 2.49 x 10 ⁷ lg N ₀ : 7.40
10 ⁻⁷	30	28	

Test concentration (%) / contact time (min)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Test procedure, N _a N _a = \bar{x} x 10
100.00* / 5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.25
100.00* / 15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.25
100.00* / 30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	N _a : <1.40 x 10 ² lg N _a : <2.15 lg R: >5.25

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Table B: Control tests and method validation for Table A

Test strain	Validation suspension	Validation of experimental conditions	Neutralizer toxicity control	Method validation control
<i>E. hirae</i> ATCC 10541	$N_{V0}: 5.40 \times 10^1$	A: 5.10×10^1	B: 4.30×10^1	C: 5.60×10^1
<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 10536	$N_{V0}: 1.08 \times 10^2$	A: 1.31×10^2	B: 1.08×10^2	C: 6.70×10^1
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC 15442	$N_{V0}: 6.25 \times 10^1$	A: 3.60×10^1	B: 3.20×10^1	C: 3.00×10^1
<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC 6538	$N_{V0}: 6.75 \times 10^1$	A: 8.80×10^1	B: 9.20×10^1	C: 1.02×10^2

Note

cfu: Colony forming units

 V_C : Number of cfu counted per 1.0 ml sample

 \bar{x} : Average V_{C1} and V_{C2} values

N: Number of cfu per ml in the test suspension

 N_0 : Number of cfu per ml at the beginning of the contact time

 N_{V0} : Number of cfu per ml in the mixtures A and C at the beginning of the contact time

 N_{VB} : Number of cfu per ml in the mixture B at the beginning of the contact time

 N_a : Number of survivors per ml in the test mixture at the end of the contact time and before neutralization

A: Number of cfu per ml in the experimental conditions control

B: Number of cfu per ml in the neutralizer toxicity control

C: Number of cfu per ml in the dilution-neutralization method validation

Table C: Summary of the log reductions of the quantitative suspension test according to EN 1276

Test strain	Test concentration (%) / contact time (min)	Log reduction	Associated risk [†]
<i>E. hirae</i> ATCC 10541	100.00* / 5	>5.21 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>E. hirae</i> ATCC 10541	100.00* / 15	>5.21 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>E. hirae</i> ATCC 10541	100.00* / 30	>5.21 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 10536	100.00* / 5	>5.47 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 10536	100.00* / 15	>5.47 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>E. coli</i> ATCC 10536	100.00* / 30	>5.47 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC 15442	100.00* / 5	>5.21 ± 0.09	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC 15442	100.00* / 15	>5.21 ± 0.09	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> ATCC 15442	100.00* / 30	>5.21 ± 0.09	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC 6538	100.00* / 5	>5.25 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC 6538	100.00* / 15	>5.25 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance
<i>S. aureus</i> ATCC 6538	100.00* / 30	>5.25 ± 0.05	Minimal risk of false acceptance

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Efficacy of BerryC against *Enterococcus hirae* ATCC 10541, *Escherichia coli* ATCC 10536, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 15442, and *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 6538 in a quantitative suspension test at 20 °C according to EN 1276:2019 (E) under clean condition

EXPERT OPINION*

This expert opinion is based on the test report VX-TR-21-0079 dated 2 February 2021.

The bactericidal activity of the disinfectant BerryC of TEVO Creations Sdn Bhd against *Enterococcus hirae* ATCC 10541, *Escherichia coli* ATCC 10536, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 15442, and *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 6538 was investigated by a quantitative suspension test according to EN 1276:2019 (E) under clean condition (0.30 g/L bovine albumin solution).

According to this suspension test, a disinfectant or a disinfectant solution at a particular concentration is considered as having bactericidal activity if the number of viable bacteria is reduced by $\geq 5 \log_{10}$ (inactivation $\geq 99.999\%$) within the recommended exposure period.

BerryC was examined at 20 °C at the concentration of 100.00 %** for the exposure time of 5, 15 and 30 minutes. After the exposure time, the bacterial reduction exceeded 5 \log_{10} -steps in all assays. According to the simple acceptance decision rule†, there is a minimal risk of false acceptance. Therefore, a bactericidal activity against *Enterococcus hirae* ATCC 10541, *Escherichia coli* ATCC 10536, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* ATCC 15442, and *Staphylococcus aureus* ATCC 6538 was measured as follows:

Clean condition 100.00 % 5, 15 and 30 minutes

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Appendix 1

QAU CERTIFICATE*

The results stated in test report VX-TR-21-0079 dated 2 February 2021 were compared to the raw data of the tests and checked for correct transfer. No deviations were detected.

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Appendix 2 Raw data

Test Method	EN 1276:2019		
Product	BerryC	Batch No.	N/A
Product Diluent	Distilled water	Lab No.	VX-63-20-0003
Test Organism	<i>Enterococcus hirae</i> ATCC 10541		
Interfering Substance	0.30 g/L bovine albumin solution		
Test Temperature (°C)	20	Incubation Temperature (°C)	36
Neutralizer or Rinsing Liquid	60.00 g/L Tween 80, 60.00 g/L Saponin, 6.00 g/L Lecithin, 2.00 g/L Histidine, 2.00 g/L Cysteine in Tryptone Soya Broth		
Inactivation Method	Dilution-neutralization	Plating Method	Pour plate
Test Date	26/01/2021	Analyzed By	ANE
		Verified By	MIS

Test and Validation Suspension

Test Suspension (N)	N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	$\bar{x}_{wm} = N = 2.25E+08$	$N_0 = N/10$
	10 ⁻⁶	225	231	$\lg N_0 = 7.35$	$7.17 \leq \lg N_0 \leq 7.70$
	10 ⁻⁷	21	19	Pass?	Yes
Validation Suspension (N _V)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	N _{V0} = 54.0	N _{V0} = N _V /10	
	59	49	30 ≤ N _{V0} ≤ 160	Pass?	Yes
Validation Suspension (N _{VB})	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	N _{V0} =	N _{V0} = N _{VB} /1000	
	-	-	30 ≤ N _{V0} ≤ 160	Pass?	N/A

Validation and Control Procedures

Experimental Conditions Control (A)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	A = 51.0	Pass?	Yes
	55	47	A ≥ 0.5 x N _V /10		
Neutralizer Toxicity or Filtration Control (B)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	B = 43.0	Pass?	Yes
	45	41	B ≥ 0.5 x N _{VB} /1000 or N _V /10		
Method Validation (C)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	C = 56.0	Pass?	Yes
Concentration: 100 %	60	52	C ≥ 0.5 x N _V /10		

Test Procedure

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Na = \bar{x} or $\bar{x}_{wm} \times 10$	lg Na	lg R = lg N ₀ - lg Na
100 %	5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.21
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.21
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.21
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			

Raw Data of Colony Count

	N ⁻⁶	N ⁻⁷	N _V	N _{VB}	A	B	C
V _{C1}	225	21	59	-	55	45	60
V _{C2}	231	19	49	-	47	41	52

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Na ⁰		Na ⁻¹		Na ⁻²		Na ⁻³	
		V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}
100 %	5	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	15	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	30	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-

Appendix 2 Raw data

Test Method	EN 1276:2019		
Product	BerryC	Batch No.	N/A
Product Diluent	Distilled water	Lab No.	VX-63-20-0003
Test Organism	<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> ATCC 6538		
Interfering Substance	0.30 g/L bovine albumin solution		
Test Temperature (°C)	20	Incubation Temperature (°C)	36
Neutralizer or Rinsing Liquid	60.00 g/L Tween 80, 60.00 g/L Saponin, 6.00 g/L Lecithin, 2.00 g/L Histidine, 2.00 g/L Cysteine in Tryptone Soya Broth		
Inactivation Method	Dilution-neutralization	Plating Method	Pour plate
Test Date	26/01/2021	Analyzed By	ANE
		Verified By	MIS

Test and Validation Suspension

Test Suspension (N)	N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	$\bar{x}_{wm} = N = 4.10E+08$	$N_0 = N/10$
	10 ⁻⁶	>330	>330	$\lg N_0 = 7.61$	$7.17 \leq \lg N_0 \leq 7.70$
	10 ⁻⁷	45	37	Pass?	Yes
Validation Suspension (N _V)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	N _{V0} = 108.5	N _{V0} = N _V /10	
	111	106	30 ≤ N _{V0} ≤ 160	Pass?	Yes
Validation Suspension (N _{VB})	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	N _{V0} =	N _{V0} = N _{VB} /1000	
	-	-	30 ≤ N _{V0} ≤ 160	Pass?	N/A

Validation and Control Procedures

Experimental Conditions Control (A)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	A = 131.0	Pass?	Yes
	133	129	A ≥ 0.5 x N _V /10		
Neutralizer Toxicity or Filtration Control (B)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	B = 108.0	Pass?	Yes
	111	105	B ≥ 0.5 x N _{VB} /1000 or N _V /10		
Method Validation (C)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	C = 67.0	Pass?	Yes
Concentration: 100 %	70	64	C ≥ 0.5 x N _V /10		

Test Procedure

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Na = \bar{x} or $\bar{x}_{wm} \times 10$	lg Na	lg R = lg N ₀ - lg Na
100 %	5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.47
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.47
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.47
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			

Raw Data of Colony Count

	N ⁻⁶	N ⁻⁷	N _V	N _{VB}	A	B	C
V _{C1}	>330	45	111	-	133	111	70
V _{C2}	>330	37	106	-	129	105	64

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Na ⁰		Na ⁻¹		Na ⁻²		Na ⁻³	
		V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}
100 %	5	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	15	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	30	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-

Appendix 2
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Test Method	EN 1276:2019		
Product	BerryC	Batch No.	N/A
Product Diluent	Distilled water	Lab No.	VX-63-20-0003
Test Organism	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> ATCC 15442		
Interfering Substance	0.30 g/L bovine albumin solution		
Test Temperature (°C)	20	Incubation Temperature (°C)	36
Neutralizer or Rinsing Liquid	60.00 g/L Tween 80, 60.00 g/L Saponin, 6.00 g/L Lecithin, 2.00 g/L Histidine, 2.00 g/L Cysteine in Tryptone Soya Broth		
Inactivation Method	Dilution-neutralization		Plating Method
Test Date	26/01/2021	Analyzed By	ANE
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Test and Validation Suspension

Test Suspension (N)	N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	$\bar{x}_{wm} = N = 2.27E+08$	$N_0 = N/10$
	10 ⁻⁶	237	223	$\lg N_0 = 7.36$	$7.17 \leq \lg N_0 \leq 7.70$
	10 ⁻⁷	22	18	Pass?	Yes

Validation Suspension (N _V)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	$N_{V0} = 62.5$	$N_{V0} = N_V/10$
	64	61	$30 \leq N_{V0} \leq 160$	Pass? Yes
Validation Suspension (N _{VB})	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	$N_{V0} =$	$N_{V0} = N_{VB}/1000$
	-	-	$30 \leq N_{V0} \leq 160$	Pass? N/A

Validation and Control Procedures

Experimental Conditions Control (A)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	A = 36.0	Pass?
	40	32	$A \geq 0.5 \times N_V/10$	Yes
Neutralizer Toxicity or Filtration Control (B)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	B = 32.0	Pass?
	33	31	$B \geq 0.5 \times N_{VB}/1000$ or $N_V/10$	Yes
Method Validation (C)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	C = 30.0	Pass?
	33	27	$C \geq 0.5 \times N_V/10$	No

Test Procedure

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	$N_a = \bar{x}$ or $\bar{x}_{wm} \times 10$	$\lg N_a$	$\lg R = \lg N_0 - \lg N_a$
100 %	5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.21
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.21
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.21
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			

Raw Data of Colony Count

	N ⁻⁶		N ⁻⁷		N _V		N _{VB}		A		B		C	
V _{C1}	122	115	12	10	31	33	-	-	20	20	18	15	18	15
V _{C2}	112	111	10	8	31	30	-	-	18	14	16	15	15	12

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Na ⁰		Na ⁻¹		Na ⁻²		Na ⁻³	
		V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}
100 %	5	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
		0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	15	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
		0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	30	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
		0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-

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Interfering Substance	0.30 g/L bovine albumin solution		
Test Temperature (°C)	20	Incubation Temperature (°C)	36
Neutralizer or Rinsing Liquid	50.00 g/L Tween 80, 8.00 g/L Sodium dodecyl sulphate, 3.00 g/L Lecithin in Tryptone Soya Broth		
Inactivation Method	Dilution-neutralization	Plating Method	Pour plate
Test Date	26/01/2021	Analyzed By	ANE
		Verified By	MIS

Test and Validation Suspension

Test Suspension (N)	N	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	$\bar{x}_{wm} = N = 2.49E+08$	$N_0 = N/10$
	10 ⁻⁶	251	239	$\lg N_0 = 7.40$	$7.17 \leq \lg N_0 \leq 7.70$
	10 ⁻⁷	30	28	Pass?	Yes
Validation Suspension (N _V)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	N _{V0} = 67.5	N _{V0} = N _V /10	
	68	67	30 ≤ N _{V0} ≤ 160	Pass?	Yes
Validation Suspension (N _{VB})	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	N _{V0} =	N _{V0} = N _{VB} /1000	
	-	-	30 ≤ N _{V0} ≤ 160	Pass?	N/A

Validation and Control Procedures

Experimental Conditions Control (A)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	A = 88.0	Pass?	Yes
	90	86	A ≥ 0.5 x N _V /10		
Neutralizer Toxicity or Filtration Control (B)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	B = 92.0	Pass?	Yes
	95	89	B ≥ 0.5 x N _{VB} /1000 or N _V /10		
Method Validation (C)	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	C = 102.0	Pass?	Yes
Concentration: 100 %	105	99	C ≥ 0.5 x N _V /10		

Test Procedure

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Dilution	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	Na = \bar{x} or $\bar{x}_{wm} \times 10$	lg Na	lg R = lg N ₀ - lg Na
100 %	5	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.25
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	15	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.25
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			
100 %	30	10 ⁰	<14	<14	<1.40E+02	<2.15	>5.25
		10 ⁻¹	-	-			
		10 ⁻²	-	-			
		10 ⁻³	-	-			

Raw Data of Colony Count

	N ⁻⁶	N ⁻⁷	N _V	N _{VB}	A	B	C
V _{C1}	251	30	68	-	90	95	105
V _{C2}	239	28	67	-	86	89	99

Product Concentration	Contact Time (minutes)	Na ⁰		Na ⁻¹		Na ⁻²		Na ⁻³	
		V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}	V _{C1}	V _{C2}
100 %	5	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	15	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-
100 %	30	0	0	-	-	-	-	-	-

Note

cfu: Colony forming units

V_C : Number of cfu counted per 1.0 ml sample

\bar{x} : Average V_{C1} and V_{C2} values

N : Number of cfu per ml in the test suspension

N_0 : Number of cfu per ml at the beginning of the contact time

N_{V0} : Number of cfu per ml in the mixtures A and C at the beginning of the contact time

N_{VB} : Number of cfu per ml in the mixture B at the beginning of the contact time

N_a : Number of survivors per ml in the test mixture at the end of the contact time and before neutralization

A: Number of cfu per ml in the experimental conditions control

B: Number of cfu per ml in the neutralizer toxicity control

C: Number of cfu per ml in the dilution-neutralization method validation

Appendix 3 Summary of test description

1. Materials and reagents

- 1.1 Tryptone Soya Agar (TSA, Oxoid, catalogue no. CM0131)
- 1.2 Tryptone, pancreatic digest of casein (Oxoid, catalogue no. LP0042)
- 1.3 Sodium chloride (Merck, catalogue no. 1.06404.0500)
- 1.4 Magnesium chloride ($MgCl_2$, Acros Organics, catalogue no. AC223211000)
- 1.5 Calcium chloride ($CaCl_2$, R&M Chemicals, catalogue no. 9924-00)
- 1.6 Sodium bicarbonate ($NaHCO_3$, Fisher Chemical, catalogue no. 10152780)
- 1.7 Bovine albumin fraction V (Merck, catalogue no. 1.12018.0100)
- 1.8 Neutralizer
 - 1.8.1 Tween 80 (Fisher Chemical, catalogue no. 10498800)
 - 1.8.2 Saponin (Nacalai Tesque, catalogue no. 30502-55)
 - 1.8.3 Lecithin (Nacalai Tesque, catalogue no. 20335-65)
 - 1.8.4 L-Histidine (Fisher Scientific, catalogue no. BP382-100)
 - 1.8.5 L-Cysteine (Merck, catalogue no. 1.02838.0100)
 - 1.8.6 Sodium dodecyl sulphate (R&M Chemicals, catalogue no. 5041-80)
 - 1.8.7 Tryptone Soya Broth (TSB, Oxoid, catalogue no. CM0129)

2. Apparatus and glassware

- 2.1 Autoclave (TOMY, model SX500)
- 2.2 Water baths (Mettler, model WNB 29)
- 2.3 Incubator (Binder, model BD 260)
- 2.4 pH-meter (Ohaus, model 3100 Meter with ST310)
- 2.5 Vortex® mixer (Biosan model Biosan V-1 Plus)
- 2.6 Petri dishes (Wanpow Plastic)

3. Test procedure

3.1 Test Na – Determination of bactericidal concentrations

- 3.1.1 Pipette 1.0 ml of interfering substance into a tube.
- 3.1.2 Add 1.0 ml of the test suspension.
- 3.1.3 Start the stopwatch immediately, mix and place the tube in a water bath controlled at the chosen test temperature θ for 2 minutes \pm 10 seconds.
- 3.1.4 At the end of this time, add 8.0 ml of the product test solution.
- 3.1.5 Restart the stopwatch at the beginning of the addition.
- 3.1.6 Mix and place the tube in a water bath controlled at θ for the chosen contact time t .
- 3.1.7 Just before the end of t , mix again.
- 3.1.8 At the end of t , take 1.0 ml sample of the test mixture Na and transfer into a tube containing 8.0 ml neutralizer and 1.0 ml water.
- 3.1.9 Mix and place in a water bath controlled at $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.
- 3.1.10 After a neutralization time of 5 minutes \pm 10 seconds, mix and immediately take a sample of 1.0 ml of the neutralized test mixture Na (containing neutralizer, product test solution, interfering substance, and test suspension) in duplicate and inoculate using the pour plate or spread plate technique.
- 3.1.11 When using the pour plate technique, pipette each 1.0 ml sample into separate Petri dishes and add 15 ml to 20 ml of melted TSA, cooled to $45\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.
- 3.1.12 When using the spread plate technique, spread each 1.0 ml sample – divided into portions of approximately equal size – on an appropriate number (at least two) of surface dried plates containing TSA.
- 3.1.13 Incubate the plates for 20 to 24 hours at $36\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.
- 3.1.14 Discard any plates which is not countable (for any reason). Count the plates and determine the number of cfu. Incubate the plates for a further 20 to 24 hours.
- 3.1.15 Do not recount plates which no longer show well separated colonies. Recount the remaining plates. If the number has increased, use only the higher number for further evaluation.
- 3.1.16 Note the exact number of colonies for each plate but record >330 for any counts higher than 330 and determine the V_C -values.
- 3.1.17 Perform the procedure using the other product test solutions at the same time.
- 3.1.18 Perform the procedure applying the other obligatory and – if appropriate – other additional experimental conditions.

3.2 Experimental conditions control A – Validation of the selected experimental conditions and/or verification of the absence of any lethal effect in the test conditions

- 3.2.1 Pipette 1.0 ml of interfering substance into a tube.
- 3.2.2 Add 1.0 ml of the validation suspension.
- 3.2.3 Start the stopwatch immediately, mix, and place the tube in a water bath controlled at θ for 2 minutes \pm 10 seconds.
- 3.2.4 At the end of this time, add 8.0 ml of hard water. In the case of ready-to-use products: water instead of hard water.
- 3.2.5 Restart the stopwatch at the beginning of the addition.
- 3.2.6 Mix and place the tube in a water bath controlled at θ for t .
- 3.2.7 Just before the end of t , mix again.
- 3.2.8 At the end of t , take a sample of 1.0 ml of this mixture A in duplicate and inoculate using the pour plate or the spread plate technique.
- 3.2.9 Calculate the numbers of cfu/ml in the validation mixture A.
- 3.2.10 Verify according to Section 3.5.

3.3 Neutralizer control B – Verification of the absence of toxicity of the neutralizer

- 3.3.1 Pipette 8.0 ml of the neutralizer used in the test and 1.0 ml of water into a tube.
- 3.3.2 Add 1.0 ml of the validation suspension.
- 3.3.3 Start the stopwatch at the beginning of the addition and mix.
- 3.3.4 Place the tube in a water bath controlled at $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 5 minutes \pm 10 seconds.
- 3.3.5 Just before the end of this time, mix.
- 3.3.6 At the end of this time, take a sample of 1.0 ml of this mixture B in duplicate and inoculate using the pour plate or the spread plate technique.
- 3.3.7 Calculate the numbers of cfu/ml in the validation mixture B.
- 3.3.8 Verify according to Section 3.5.

3.4 Method validation C – Dilution-neutralization validation

- 3.4.1 Pipette 1.0 ml of interfering substance into a tube.
- 3.4.2 Add 1.0 ml of the diluent.
- 3.4.3 Start the stopwatch, add 8.0 ml of the product test solution only of the highest concentration used in the test.
- 3.4.4 Mix and place the tube in a water bath controlled at θ for t .
- 3.4.5 Just before the end of t , mix again.
- 3.4.6 At the end of t , transfer 1.0 ml of the mixture into a tube containing 8.0 ml of neutralizer.
- 3.4.7 Restart the stopwatch at the beginning of the addition.
- 3.4.8 Mix and place the tube in a water bath controlled at $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 5 minutes \pm 10 seconds.
- 3.4.9 Add 1.0 ml of the validation suspension.
- 3.4.10 Start the stopwatch at the beginning of the addition and mix.
- 3.4.11 Place the tube in a water bath controlled at $20\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C} \pm 1\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 30 minutes \pm 1 minute.
- 3.4.12 Just before the end of this time, mix again.
- 3.4.13 At the end of this time, take a sample of 1.0 ml of the mixture C in duplicate and inoculate using the pour plate or the spread plate technique.

3.4.14 Calculate the numbers of cfu/ml in the validation mixture C.

3.4.15 Verify according to Section 3.5.

3.5 Basic limits

3.5.1 N is between 1.5×10^8 and 5.0×10^8 ($8.17 \leq \lg N \leq 8.70$)

3.5.2 N_0 is between 1.5×10^7 and 5.0×10^7 ($7.17 \leq \lg N_0 \leq 7.70$)

3.5.3 N_{V0} is between 30 and 160 (3.0×10^1 and 1.6×10^2)

3.5.4 N_V is between 3.0×10^2 and 1.6×10^3

3.5.5 A, B, C are equal to or greater than $0.5 \times N_{V0}$

3.5.6 Control of weighted mean counts: quotient is not lower than 5 and not higher than 15

4. Literature

- 4.1 EN 1276:2019 (E): Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics – Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of bactericidal activity of chemical disinfectants and antiseptics used in food, industrial, domestic and institutional areas – Test method and requirements (phase 2, step 1)
- 4.2 EN 14885:2018 (E): Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics – Application of European Standards for chemical disinfectants and antiseptics
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