

Test Report: BS EN 14476:2013 + A2:2019 Chemical disinfectants and antiseptics – Quantitative suspension test for the evaluation of virucidal activity in the medical area- Test method and requirements (Phase 2/Step 1)

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Identification of sample

Name of the product	NILAQUA
Batch number	9720
Client	Waterless Limited
Client Address	Unit 25, Hope Mills Business Centre, Brimscombe, Stroud, Gloucestershire, GL5 2SQ, United Kingdom.
Project Code	BT-CSS-03
Date of Delivery	09 July 2020
Storage conditions	Ambient
Active substances	Benzalkonium chloride; Didicyldimethyl ammonium chloride.
Appearance	Liquid
Condition upon receipt	Undamaged

Test Method and its validation

Method	1 part interfering substance + 1 part virus suspension + 8 parts biocide were mixed and incubated at the indicated contact temperature for the indicated contact times. Assays were validated by a cytotoxicity control, interference control, neutralisation control and a formaldehyde internal standard.
Neutralisation	Dilution-neutralisation/gel filtration Eagles Minimum Essential Medium + 5.0% v/v foetal bovine serum at 4°C

Experimental Conditions

Period of analysis	10 July – 15 July
Product diluents used	Sterile distilled water
Product test concentrations	10.0% v/v; 50.0% v/v; 80.0% v/v
Appearance product dilutions	No changes noted- stable
Appearance in test mixture	No changes noted- stable
Contact times (minutes)	1 ± 10s
Test temperature	20°C ± 1°C
Interfering substances	0.3g/l bovine albumin
Temperature of incubation	37°C ± 1°C + 5% CO ₂
Identification and passage (P) of virus	Vaccinia virus VR-1549 Elstree strain (P07)
Identification and passage (P) of cells	Vero Cells (P 32) (<i>Vaccinia Virus</i>)

PROTOCOL SUMMARY

The basic virucidal efficacy test is set up with three concentrations of test product solution and a 1 minute contact time. Virus is exposed to disinfectant in 24-well plates, then neutralised, serially diluted and virus titred in 96-well tissue culture plates to determine the tissue culture infectious dose₅₀ (TCID₅₀) of surviving virus. *Vaccinia virus* VR-1549 Elstree strain / Vero cells are assayed in each test. TCID₅₀ is determined by the method of Karber¹.

Cytotoxicity control

The test product solution is measured for its effects on the host cells used to propagate the virus, to determine the sensitivity of the assay.

Interference control

The effect of the cells after treatment of the test product solution are verified to ensure the cells can show susceptibility for virus infection. This is compared against cells that have not been treated with test product.

Disinfectant suppression control VS1

Virus is added to the highest concentration of test product solution and then the mixture immediately removed and neutralised. The neutralised virus titre is then determined to assess the efficiency of the neutralisation procedure.

Disinfectant suppression control VS2

Internal control which adds virus to neutralised test product solution to assess the efficiency of the neutralisation procedure.

No column Control

Internal control on the highest contact time to assess any impact of the Microspin™ S 400 HR columns.

Virus recovery control

Virus titre is determined for virus in contact with sterile distilled water at t=0, t=1 and at t=15. The virus titre after 1 minute is then compared to the recovery of disinfectant-treated virus to measure the log reduction in virus titre. The virus titre at 15 minutes is compared to the reference virus inactivation control.

Reference virus inactivation control

Virus is exposed to 0.7% W/V formaldehyde and the recovery of virus determined by TCID₅₀ after 5 and 15 minutes, in order to assess that the test virus has retained reproducible biocide resistance. In addition, the formaldehyde cytotoxicity of neutralised formaldehyde is determined, to measure assay sensitivity.

1Kärber, G.: Beitrag zur Kollektiven Behandlung Pharmakologischer Reihenversuche. Arch. Exp. Path. Pharmak. 162 (1931): 480-487.

Vaccinia virus (VR-1549) Elstree strain Test Results

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Test Results						
Concentration	10.0% (v/v)		50.0% (v/v)		80.0% (v/v)	
Exposure Time	data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	data	TCID ₅₀ /ml
t = 1 minute	0.00	3.16E+01	0.00	3.16E+01	0.00	3.16E+01
Raw Data		3.16E+01		3.16E+01		3.16E+01
log		1.50		1.50		1.50
log difference		5.00		5.00		5.00

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Summary Table									
Product:	Interfering substance	Concentration	Level of cytotoxicity	lg TCID ₅₀					>4 lg reduction after 'X' Min
				0 min	1 min	15 min	30 min	60 min	
NILAQUA	0.3 g/l bovine albumin	80.0% (v/v)	1.50	1.50	1.50	1.50	n.a.	n.a.	< 1 minute
		50.0% (v/v)	1.50	n.a.	1.50	1.50	n.a.	n.a.	< 1 minute
		10.0% (v/v)	1.50	n.a.	1.50	1.50	n.a.	n.a.	< 1 minute
Virus Control	CLEAN			6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	6.50	n.a.
							5 min	15 min	
Formaldehyde	PBS	0.7% (w/v)	3.50				4.67	3.50	>15 mins

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Controls												
Virus Recovery 0 min		Virus Recovery 1 min		Virus Recovery 15 min		Cytotoxicity		Disinfectant Suppression VS		Disinfectant Suppression VS2		
raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	
5.00	3.16E+06	5.00	3.16E+06	5.00	3.16E+06	0.00	3.16E+01	0.00	3.16E+01	4.67	1.48E+06	
	3.16E+06		3.16E+06		3.16E+06		3.16E+01		3.16E+01		1.48E+06	
	6.50		6.50		6.50		1.50		1.50		6.17	
									5.00		0.33	
Formaldehyde reference inactivation controls							No column Control					
Cytotoxicity		Exposure time	0.7% Formaldehyde				1 min					
			5 mins		15 mins							
raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml		raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	raw data	TCID ₅₀ /ml	raw data		TCID ₅₀ /ml			
2.00	3.16E+03		3.17	4.68E+04	2.00	3.16E+03	5.33		6.76E+06			
	3.16E+03			4.68E+04		3.16E+03			6.76E+06			
	3.50	log		4.67		3.50			6.83			
		log difference		1.83		3.00						
Interference control		Virus dilution						Stock Virus (TCID ₅₀)				
		-3	-4	-5	-6	-7	-8	6.17				
PBS Control		1	1	1	1	0	0	4.68E+07				
		3.16E+02	3.16E+02	3.16E+02	3.16E+02	3.16E+01	3.16E+01					
		2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	1.50	1.50					
Raw Data		6	6	6	6	0	0					
Product		1	1	1	1	0.17	0					
		3.16E+02	3.16E+02	3.16E+02	3.16E+02	4.68E+01	3.16E+01					
		2.50	2.50	2.50	2.50	1.67	1.50					
Raw Data		6	6	6	6	1	0					
Log Difference		0.00	0.00	0.00	0.00	-0.17	0.00					
Product Cyt Dilution		-1	-1	-1	-1	-1	-1					
PBS Dilution		Neat	Neat	Neat	Neat	Neat	Neat					

CONCLUSION

Verification of the methodology

A test is only valid if the following criteria are fulfilled:

- a) The titre of the test suspension is sufficiently high to at least enable a titre reduction of 4 lg to verify the method.
- b) Detectable titre reduction is at least 4 log₁₀.
- c) Difference of the logarithmic titre of the virus control minus the logarithmic titre of the test virus in the reference inactivation test is between:
 - Between 0.75 and 3.5 after 5 min and between 2.0 and 4.0 after 15 min for Vaccinia virus
- d) Cytotoxicity of the product solution does not affect cell morphology and growth or susceptibility for the test virus in the dilutions of the test mixtures which are necessary to demonstrate a 4 log₁₀ reduction of the virus.
- e) The interference control result does not show a difference of > 1.0 log₁₀ of virus titre for test product treated cells in comparison to the non-treated cells.
- f) Neutralisation validation. This is called the disinfectant suppression test in this protocol. The disinfectant was neutralised by column chromatography through an Illustra Microspin S-400 HR column to achieve the best possible neutralisation available for this test. The difference for virus is greater than 0.5 log₁₀ indicating rapid irreversible virucidal activity of the disinfectant by dilution at a concentration of 80.0% v/v for VS1. This neutralisation validation has been verified by VS2, which shows the product has been successfully neutralised. The difference for virus is not greater than 0.5 log₁₀ indicating effective neutralisation of the virucidal activity of the disinfectant by dilution at a concentration of 80.% v/v.

According to EN 14476:2013 + A2:2019, **NILAQUA POSSESSES VIRUCIDAL** activity at a concentration of **10.0, 50.0 and 80.0 % v/v** of the working concentration as tested after **1 MINUTE** at **20°C** under **CLEAN** conditions (0.3 g/l bovine albumin) against *Vaccinia virus* VR-1549 Elstree strain / Vero cells.

This product therefore is effective against all enveloped viruses as defined in EN 14476:2013 + A2:2019 Annex A*. This therefore includes all coronaviruses and SARS-CoV-2.

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***EN 14476 2013 + A2 2019 Annex A (informative – Enveloped viruses)**

Poxviridae
Herpesviridae
Filoviridae (e.g. Ebola, Marburg)
Flavivirus
Hepatitis C Virus (HCV)
Hepatitis Delta Virus (HDV)
Influenza Virus
Paramyxoviridae
Rubella Virus
Measles Virus
Rabies Virus
Coronavirus (e.g. SARS, MERS)
Human Immunodeficiency Virus (HIV)
Human T Cell Leukemia Virus (HTLV)
Hepatitis B virus (HBV)

Reference: Van Regenmortel MHV et al.,Eds.: Virus Taxonomy, Classification and Nomenclature of Viruses, seventh report of the international committee on taxonomy of viruses. Academic Press, San Diego, 2000