

PROTOCOL TITLE: Neutralization Validation and Standard Guide for Assessment of Antimicrobial Activity Using a Time-Kill Procedure

PURPOSE: The purpose of this study was to determine the antimicrobial effectiveness of Chesson Labs Liquid Bandage against standard test organisms.

STUDY DESIGN: Organisms per USP <51>
Neutralization Validation per USP <1227>
Time Kill Procedure per ASTM E2315

RESULTS:

| Organism | Common | Neutralization (% Recovery) | Population Count | 30 Second % Reduction | 30 Minute % Reduction | Controls |
|---------------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|-------------------|-----------------------|-----------------------|--------------------|
| <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> | Bacteria | > 70% | > 10 ⁸ | > 99.99% | > 99.99% | No Reduction |
| <i>Escherichia coli</i> | Bacteria | > 70% | > 10 ⁸ | > 99.99% | > 99.99% | No Reduction |
| <i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> | Bacteria | > 70% | > 10 ⁸ | > 99.99% | > 99.99% | 8.33%-No Reduction |
| <i>Candida albicans</i> | Yeast | > 70% | > 10 ⁸ | > 99.99% | > 99.99% | No Reduction |
| <i>Aspergillus brasiliensis</i> | Mold | > 70% | > 10 ⁷ | > 99.99% | > 99.99% | No Reduction |

DISCUSSION:

Because of the immiscibility of the product with water [which is required only to show potential recovery of the test organism in the controls], the polymer film was reconstituted in the organic solvents (acetone and methyl ethyl ketone) based on the percent solid ratio (15%). The tested product therefore incorporated acetone and methyl ethyl ketone with all the other chemical reagents of the final product, in the correct ratios, for microbial testing.

CONCLUSIONS:

Results from an independent test lab indicate that the product has antimicrobial properties. The product consistently produced an average five-log kill of a 10^{7 to 9} inoculum of all organisms identified in USP <51> [*Staphylococcus aureus*, *Escherichia coli*, *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*, *Candida albicans*, and *Aspergillus brasiliensis*] within 30 seconds of contact.