

Testing the virucidal activity of the product **Shieldex[®] Kiel-SK-96**

Examination using a praxis-near carrier test system following ISO 21702:2019 against the
Transmissible Gastroenteritis Virus (TGEV-Coronavirus) - Test run S1 dated 09.04.2020

Short report: screening test S1

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Products:

- Test item with active component: Shieldex[®] Kiel-SK-96 Copper Plated Non-Woven + adhesive
- Test item w/o the active component: Shieldex[®] PBN II Raw material 1,5 Oz
- All test items were applied by the principal

Test parameter:

- Test conditions: T = 25 °C (according to ISO 18184) and 60 % r.LF
- Protein load: no additional protein load; the virus material (cell culture supernatant) was spread onto the surface(s) w/o any further manipulation/alteration
- Volume to square ratio: 200 µL distributed to 3,14/cm² (discs, with d = 2 cm)
- Incubation: 1h, 2h and 4h in a climate chamber (KBF 115; Fa. Binder).

Test system:

- Transmissible Gastroenteritis Virus of Swine (TGEV-Coronavirus); strain: Toyama 36 [used in test as the model virus for SARS-CoV]
(Origin: Virusbank of the Friedrich Löffler-Institute, Insel Riems, Germany)
- ST75/2 cells (foetal testis cells of swine)
(Origin: Robert Koch-Institute, Berlin, Germany)

Test procedure:

- The test was performed following ISO 21702:2019. Test principle: quantitative virucidal carrier test at T = 25 °C (in a climate chamber)
- the test was performed w/o (additional) protein load

Tab. 1: Product samples tested

No.	Product (s)	Storage conditions ¹
#1	Shieldex [®] Kiel-SK-96 Copper Plated Non-Woven + adhesive (test sample)	at RT
#2	Shieldex [®] PBN II Raw material 1,5 Oz (control sample)	at RT

¹ = access limited

Performing the test

Coating of the test items

- The textile test material (active and control samples) were equipped with the antiviral component by the client, who provided this material as ready-to-use material.
- At Eurovir, round sample disks (test disks) with d = 2 cm were cut out of this sample material using a hole punch.

Performing the test

- The test samples were not sterilised by autoclaving. The test material consists of a synthetic fiber, which does not survive the autoclaving.
- From the square shaped product material round test disks were prepared using a 2 cm hole punch. Afterwards, the disks were transferred to a 12-well cell culture plate where the testing was then carried out. The incubation was performed with the lid closed.
- Resuspending of the virus material was also carried out in the 12-well cell culture plate. For virus recovery 5 mL of cell culture medium was added to the test specimen which was then rinsed repeatedly (15x) using a pipette (with V = 1 mL).

Test results:

Observations:

- With the "Virus control" sample disks (VK; sample material without equipment), not all of the virus suspension was absorbed by the textile specimen. Consequently, the test disk was partially immersed in the virus suspension.
- When the test disks (coated with product) were inoculated, the virus material initially remained as small droplets on the surface. As the time progressed, the material was absorbed completely.
- The test disks (coated with product) were provided with a self-adhesive material on the back (including a protective film). As a consequence, these test disks were liquid-tight towards the bottom - in contrast to the control material (VK).
- Up to 4h of incubation no drying of the material was observed.
- Resuspending of the virus material was performed apparently unremarkable.
- No further observations / unforeseen events were recorded

Virustitrations

Tab. 2.1: Virus control (Virus titration by limiting dilution)

Sample	VK-1a	VK-1b	VK-2a	VK-2b	VK-3a	VK-3b
	Virus control / 1 h		Virus control / 2 h		Virus control / 4 h	
Titer/Test vol. (lg ID ₅₀)	3,9	4,2	3,9	3,6	2,85	3,45
av. virus titer ± K (95%)¹	4,05 ± 0,38 / 100 µL		3,75 ± 0,33 / 100 µL		3,15 ± 0,33 / 100 µL	

¹ = Calculation of the virus titer and its 95% confidence interval according to EN14476

Tab. 2.2: Virus inactivation (Virus titration by limiting dilution)

Sample	In-1a	In-1b	In-2a	In-2b	In-3a	In-3b
	Inactivation / 1 h		Inactivation / 2 h		Inactivation / 4 h	
Titer/Test vol. (lg ID ₅₀)	≤ 0,30	≤ 0,30	1,35	≤ 0,30	≤ 0,90	≤ 0,90
av. virus titer ± K (95%) ¹	≤ 0,30		≤ 0,38 ± 0,15		≤ 0,90	
Reduction² (lg ID ₅₀ ± K [95%])	≥ 3,75 ± 0,38		≥ 3,37 ± 0,36		≥ 2,25 ± 0,33	

¹ = Calculation of the virus titer and its 95% confidence interval according to EN14476

² = Virus reduction: lg ID₅₀ of virus input (virus control) minus lg ID₅₀ of sample (at the given time point)

Virus inactivation: (cf. Tab. 2)

- Even without the virucidal component the initial amount of virus was slightly reduced with time. After 4h of incubation a virus reduction of approx. 0,9 Log was recorded.
- It was expected in general that the amount of virus would be different with the 3 different time points. To take that into account the amount of virus was determined at each exposure time point separately (virus control [s] at the respective time). Thus the amount of virus at the respective time point (cf. Table 2.1) represents the reference point for determining the product-associated virus inactivation (virus reduction; cf. Table 2.2)..
- Even after t = 1 hour, no residual virus was detectable in both test samples. After t = 2 hours, residual virus was detected in one out of the two test samples whereas the second sample was virus negative. After t = 4 hours the sample material became slightly cytotoxic (lgTD₅₀ = 0.9). No residual virus was detectable in the next following dilution.
- After the exposure time was due (1 hour, 2 hours and 4 hours) and under the described test conditions the following product-associated reduction factors were determined: after 1 hour RF ≥ 3,75 ± 0,38, after 2 hours RF ≥ 3,37 ± 0,36 and after 4 hours RF ≥ 2,25 ± 0,33.

Conclusions:

- Even after t = 1 hour a significant virus reduction was recorded. With no residual test virus detected virus reduction was calculated to RF ≥ 3,75 (corresponding to a reduction of 99,98%).
- It can be concluded from the data obtained that under the test conditions and after 1 hour of incubation a high-level virus-inactivating effect vs. the TGEV-coronavirus was given. This high-level virus-inactivating effect can be attributed to the antimicrobial equipment.

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