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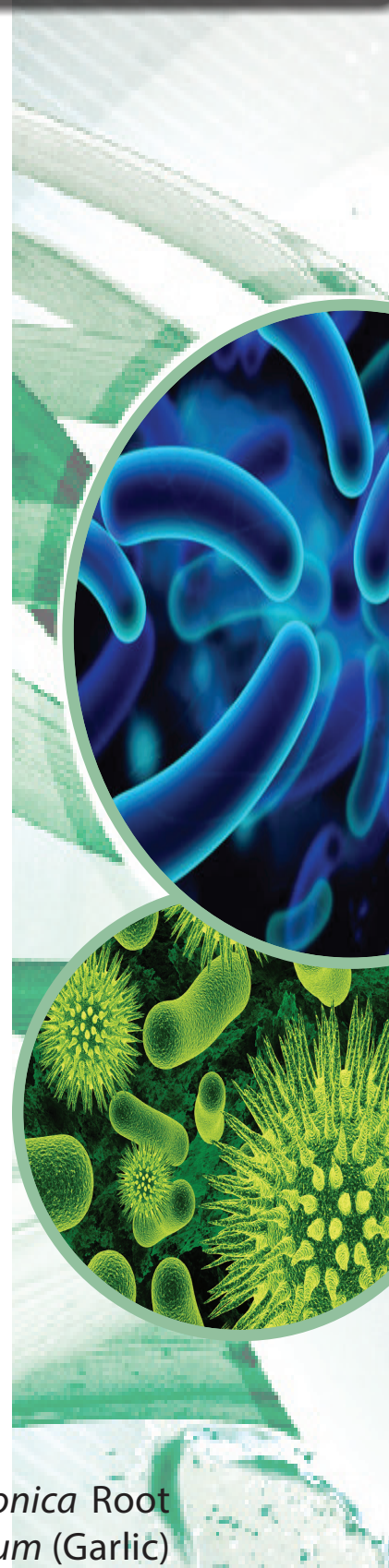
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Technical Data Sheet

BACKGROUND

Many consumers today seek natural ingredients to achieve product preservation. Current research has segued into incorporating botanical trends as effective alternatives to synthetic approaches in the cosmetic industry. Hybrid preservation techniques can satisfy the mainstream by combining traditional herbal tisanes with modern technology for optimized benefits. To this end, we have developed an evolutionary technique by combining antimicrobial properties with healing extracts from exotic herbs for an Asian-inspired synergistic blend designed for the innovative formulator.

SCIENCE

Active Micro Technologies (AMT) has developed a unique blend of Asian botanicals with conditioning glycols that easily fits the niche of natural-themed product lines. **SynerCide Asian Fusion** uses a pioneering method of infusing Garlic, Ginger, and Wasabi extracts with hydrating glycols (caprylyl and hexylene) for effective microbial growth prevention. The system allows formulators to promote beneficial extracts known for optimizing health, along with retaining moisturization properties for skin barrier enhancement. The blending of antimicrobial agents with natural plant sources creates the perfect opportunity for innovative chemists to promote desirable product preservation methods.

Therapeutic applications have long sourced various plant materials such as leaves, roots, flowers, seeds, resin, and bark for their remedial benefits. Though lesser known for its medicinal purposes compared with spiritual practices, garlic, or *Allium sativum*, maintains antiseptic and stimulating properties. Modern research has shown that garlic retains potent antimicrobial activity against a range of microorganisms, which is indicative of its suitability for use in natural preservation systems¹.



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INCI Status: Approved

REACH Status: Fully Compliant

CAS Number: 107-41-5 & 1117-86-8 & 999999-99-4 & 84696-15-1 & 8008-99-9 & 7732-18-5

EINECS Number: 203-489-0 & 214-254-7 & 310-127-6 & 283-634-2 & 232-371-1 & 231-791-2

Origin: Botanical:

Wasabia japonica & *Zingiber officinale* & *Allium sativum*

Processing:

GMO Free
No Ethoxylation
No Irradiation
No Sulphonation
No Ethylene Oxide treatment
No Hydrogenation

Additives: None

-Preservatives: None

-Antioxidants: None

Other additives: None

Solvents used: Water & Caprylyl Glycol & Hexylene Glycol

Appearance: Clear to Hazy, Yellow to Light Amber Liquid

Soluble/Miscible: Fully Water Soluble

Suggested Use Levels: 1.0 – 2.0%

Suggested Applications:

Skin Conditioning, Antimicrobial

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Ginger, *Zingiber officinale*, is a part of the *Zingiberaceae* family and originates from Southeast Asia, although it is cultivated worldwide. This aromatic rhizome has characteristic relaxing properties rendering it a traditional remedy for peptic ailments. Research studies *in vivo* have shown that the rhizome is capable of stimulating prokinetic activities believed to reduce spasmolytic movements in the digestive tract for an induced calming effect for stomach disorders². Translated to the skin, ginger's soothing properties enhance skin barrier conditions for optimal moisturization.

The *Wasabia japonica* plant species, wasabi, is native to the river valleys of Japan. The Japanese root variant has been shown to decrease the signs of aging. *In vitro* and *in vivo* studies have shown that this member of the *Brassicaceae* family has strong scavenging activities towards free radicals increasing antioxidant activity resulting in minimized skin damage³.



SynerCide Asian Fusion is a broad-spectrum antimicrobial system using a modern extraction approach to blend remedial phyto extracts with conditioning glycols. More than just an antimicrobial solvent, this infusion of natural herbs enhances the skin surface for unmatched conditioning. Enthusiasts looking for that special edge in cosmetic and personal care applications have an advantage with **SynerCide Asian Fusion**.

BENEFITS

An *in-vivo* moisturization study was conducted to evaluate the hydration benefits of **SynerCide Asian Fusion**. Results shown in Figure 1 indicate that this material is capable of increasing moisturization compared to the postive control.

Skin Hydration

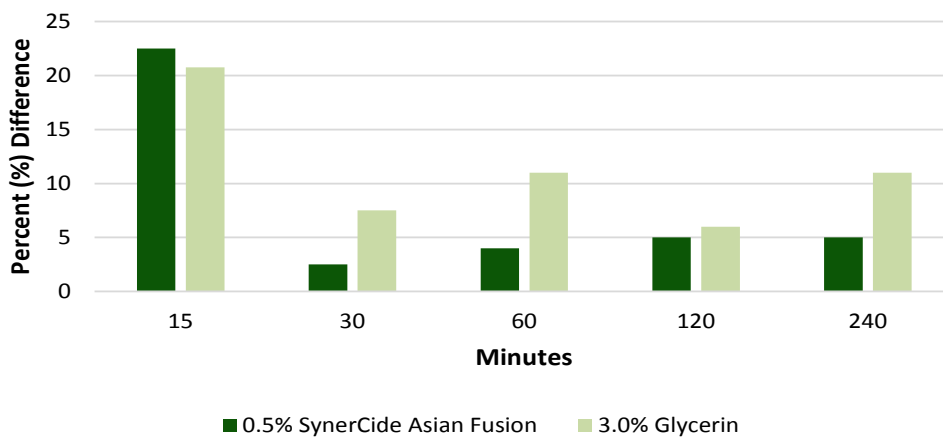


Figure 1. Percent Difference in Moisturization with **SynerCide Asian Fusion**.

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Minimum Inhibitory Concentrations were determined using a standard growth media dilution method. A variety of bacterial and fungal cultures were tested to evaluate the ability of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** to protect against microbial contamination. The results in Figure 2 indicate that **SynerCide Asian Fusion** can provide effective protection for cosmetic systems.

Microorganism Tested	MIC (%)
<i>E. coli</i>	0.75
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	0.50
<i>S. aureus</i>	0.75
<i>C. albicans</i>	0.50
<i>A. brasiliensis</i>	1.00

Figure 2. MIC data for **SynerCide Asian Fusion**.

The positive MIC screening results warranted further testing to confirm its ability to provide product preservation. Double Challenge Tests were completed using either 2.0% **SynerCide Asian Fusion** in a generic cream base formulation at pH 5. Samples were inoculated with *E. coli*, *P. aeruginosa*, *S. aureus*, *C. albicans*, and *A. brasiliensis*. During the first 28-day incubation period, samples were periodically collected and tested for the presence of these microorganisms. Following this initial 28 days of incubation, the cream samples were then re-inoculated with the microbial cultures and sampled over an additional 28-day period. Figure 3 shows the positive preservation results for 2.0% **SynerCide Asian Fusion**.

2.0% SynerCide Asian Fusion in Cream Formula Challenge Test - pH 5

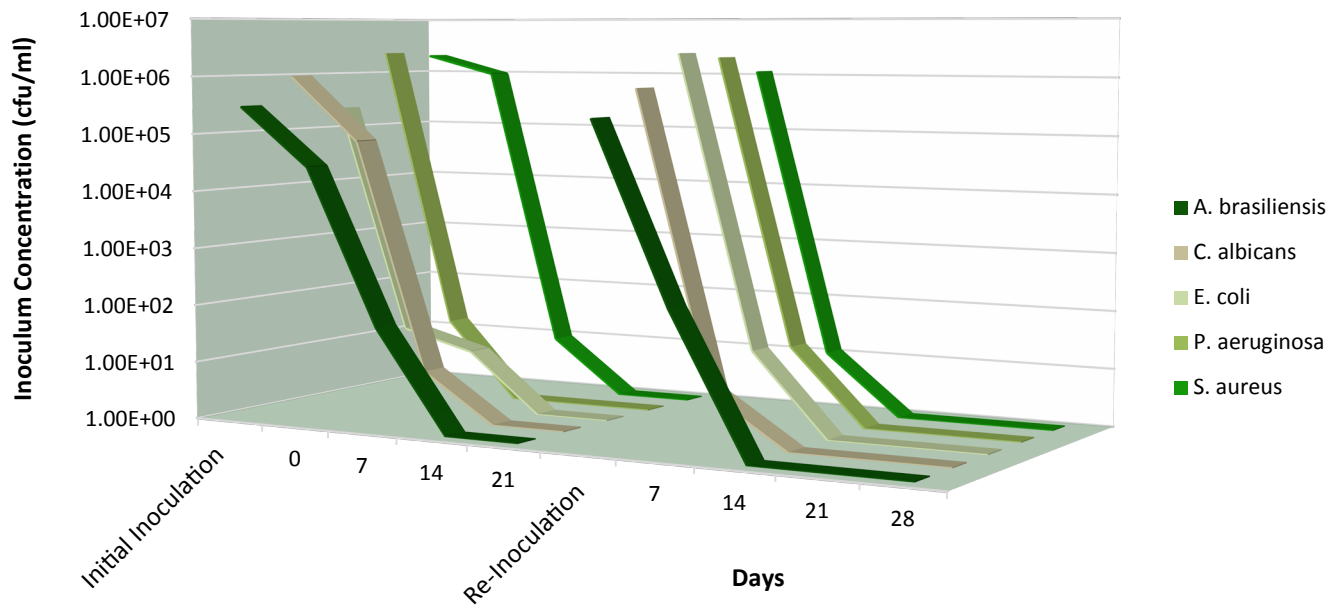


Figure 3. Challenge Test results for Generic Cream Formula pH 5 with 2.0% **SynerCide Asian Fusion** inoculated on Day 0 and re-inoculated on Day 28. Results show log reduction in viable organisms.

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A Time Kill Test was performed to determine the change in population of aerobic microorganisms within a specified sampling time when tested against a 2.0% **SynerCide Asian Fusion** solution. The activity of the test material inoculated was evaluated at determine time intervals of 30 seconds, 1, 5, 10 and 30 minutes after the inoculation to determine quantitatively the number of viable microorganisms remaining after the incubation time. As shown in Figure 4, the Gram-positive and Gram-negative bacteria as well as the yeast and mold were reduced by 99.9% within 30 seconds interval of the test after the inoculation.

2.0% SynerCide Asian Fusion Time Kill Test

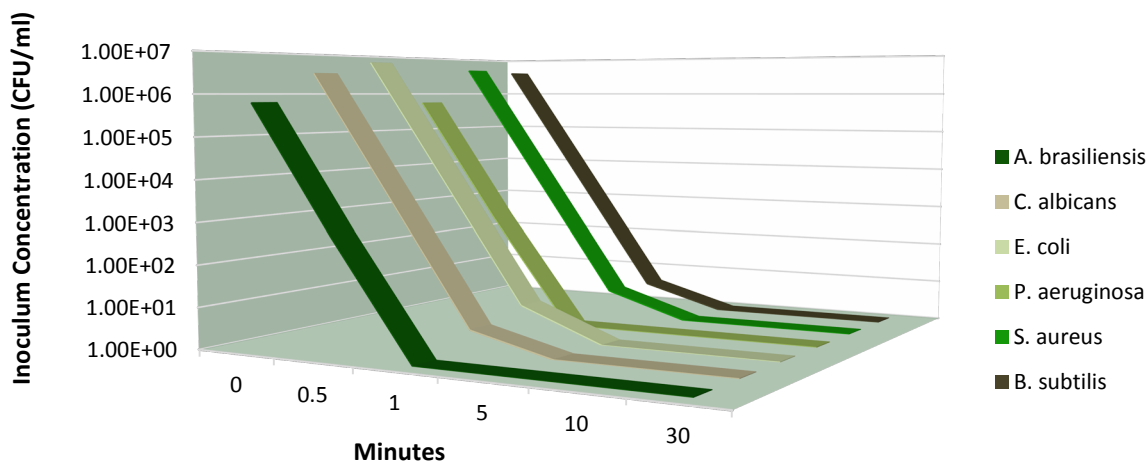


Figure 4. Time Kill Test results for 2.0% **SynerCide Asian Fusion**.

USE RECOMMENDATIONS

Optimal conditions for formulating with **SynerCide Asian Fusion** include maintaining the pH level between 3 and 8, and temperatures below 70° C. If formulating at higher temperatures, it is recommended to add the ingredient on cooling after an emulsion has formed. **SynerCide Asian Fusion** allows formulators to develop contemporary products for the discerning consumer whose interest lies in enhanced epidermal hydration and replacement of conventional synthetic preservatives.

References:

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Specification

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Specification	Parameter
Appearance	Clear to Hazy Liquid
Color	Yellow to Light Amber
Odor	Characteristic
Specific Gravity (25 ⁰ C)	0.970 – 1.020
Refractive Index (25 ⁰ C)	1.3960 – 1.4040
Heavy Metals	< 20 ppm
Arsenic	< 2 ppm

May Sediment upon Standing; Mix Well Prior to Use

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Compositional Breakdown

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Compositional Breakdown:

Ingredient	%
Hexylene Glycol	28.00 - 32.00
Caprylyl Glycol	12.00 - 17.00
Wasabia Japonica Root Extract	12.00 - 17.00
Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract	12.00 - 17.00
Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract	12.00 - 17.00
Water	8.00 - 12.00

- To our knowledge the above material is free of the following list of heavy metals:
 - Heavy Metals < 20 ppm (Max.)
 - Lead < 10 ppm (Max.)
 - Antimony < 5 ppm (Max.)
 - Arsenic < 2 ppm (Max.)
 - Mercury < 1 ppm (Max.)
 - Cadmium < 1 ppm (Max.)

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ALLERGENS Dir 2003 15 CEE		
INCI NAME	CAS NUMBER	Limit (ppm)
Alpha-IsoMethyl Ionone	127-51-5	< 0.02
Amyl Cinnamal	122-40-7	< 0.10
Anise Alcohol	105-13-5	< 0.00
Benzyl Alcohol	100-51-69	< 0.01
Benzyl Benzoate	120-51-4	< 0.09
Benzyl Cinnamate	103-41-3	< 0.30
Benzyl Salicylate	118-58-1	< 0.06
Butylphenyl Methylpropional	80-54-6	< 0.50
Cinnamal	104-55-2	< 0.01
Cinnamyl Alcohol	104-54-1	< 0.30
Citral	5392-40-5	< 1.00
Citronellol	106-22-9	< 1.00
Coumarin	91-64-5	< 0.00
Eugenol	97-53-0	< 0.70
Farnesol	4602-84-0	< 0.04
Geraniol	106-24-1	< 0.08
Hexyl Cinnamal	101-86-0	< 0.40
Hydroxycitronellal	107-75-5	< 1.00
Hydroxymethylpentyl 3-Cyclohexene carboxaldehyde	31906-04-4	< 0.30
Isoeugenol	97-54-1	< 0.06
Limonene	5989-27-5	< 0.05
Linalool	78-70-6	< 0.00
Methyl 2 Octynoate	111-12-6	< 0.20
Evernia prunastri	90028-68-5	< 0.02
Evernia furfuracea	90028-67-4	< 0.00
Amylcinnamyl Alcohol	101-85-9	< 1.00

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EPA Pesticide Levels	
INCI NAME	LIMIT (mg/kg)
Alachlor	< 0.02
Aldrin and Dieldrin	< 0.05
Azinphos-methyl	< 1.00
Bromopropylate	< 3.00
Chlordane(cis and trans)	< 0.05
Chlorfenvinphos	< 0.50
Chlorpyrifos	< 0.20
Chlorpyrifos-methyl	< 0.10
Cypermethrin	< 1.00
DDT	< 1.00
Deltamethrin	< 0.50
Diazinon	< 0.50
Dichlorvos	< 1.00
Dithiocarbamates	< 2.00
Endosulfan	< 3.00
Endrin	< 0.05
Ethion	< 2.00
Fenitrothion	< 0.50
Fenvalerate	< 1.50
Fonofos	< 0.05
Heptachlor	< 0.05
Hexachlorobenzene	< 0.10
Hexachlorocyclohexane	< 0.30
Lindane	< 0.60
Malathion	< 1.00
Methidathion	< 0.20

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Parathion	< 0.50
Parathion-methyl	< 0.20
Permethrin	< 1.00
Phosalone	< 0.10
Piperonyl butoxide	< 3.00
Pirimiphos-methyl	< 4.00
Pyrethrins	< 3.00
Quintozene(sum of 3 items)	< 1.00

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Moisturization/Hydration Assay

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Test Request Form #: 1531

Lot #: 41590

Sponsor: Active Micro Technologies, LLC; 107 Technology Drive Lincolnton, NC 28092

Study Director: Erica Segura

Principle Investigator: Meghan Darley

Test Performed:

Moisturization/Hydration Assay

Introduction

An *in-vivo* study was conducted over a period of four hours to evaluate the moisturization benefits **SynerCide Asian Fusion**. 10 M/F subjects between the ages of 23-45 participated in the study. Results indicate that this material is capable of significantly increasing moisturization compared to the control.

The moisturization assay was conducted to assess the moisturizing ability of **SynerCide Asian Fusion**.

Materials

A. Equipment: DermaLab Skin Combo (Hydration/ Moisture Pin Probe)

The moisture module provides information about the skin's hydration by measuring the conducting properties of the upper skin layers when subjected to an alternating voltage. The method is referred to as a conductance measurement and the output is presented in the unit of uSiemens (uS). A moisture pin probe is the tool used to gather hydration values.

10 volunteers M/F between the ages of 23 and 45 and who were known to be free of any skin pathologies participated in this study. A Dermalab Corneometer was used to measure the moisture levels on the subject's volar forearms. The Corneometer is an instrument that measures the amount of water within the skin. The presence of moisture in the skin improves conductance therefore results in higher readings than dry skin. Therefore the higher the levels of moisture, the higher the readings from the Corneometer will be. Baseline moisturization readings were taken on day one of the study.

Following initial measurements, all subjects were asked to apply 2 mg of each test material on their volar forearms. Measurements were taken immediately after application of test materials and then after 4 hours. The test material consisted of 0.5% **SynerCide Asian Fusion** in a base lotion.

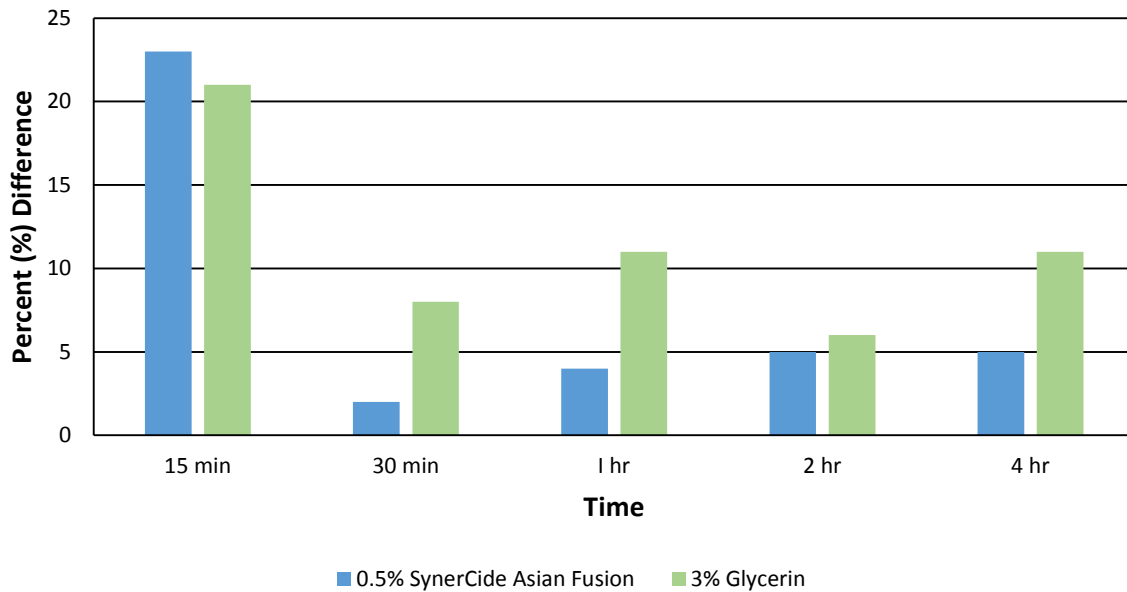
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For added perspective, measurements of an untreated test site and a site treated with a base lotion (Cetaphil Moisturizing for All Skin Types) were recorded.

Results

SynerCide Asian Fusion showed high moisturizing capabilities at a 0.5% concentration.

Skin Hydration



Discussion

As evidenced in a four hour efficacy study of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** on skin, hydration improved. The present study confirms that **SynerCide Asian Fusion** is capable of providing strong moisturizing and skin hydrating benefits when added to cosmetic applications.



Cellular Viability Assay Analysis

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Test Request Form #: 1515

Lot #: 41590P

Sponsor: *Active Micro Technologies, LLC; 107 Technology Drive Lincolnton, NC 28092*

Study Director: *Erica Segura*

Principle Investigator: *Meghan Darley*

Test Performed:

Cellular Viability Assay

Introduction

The cellular viability assay is useful for quantitatively measuring cell-mediated cytotoxicity, cell proliferation and mitochondrial metabolic activity. Increased metabolism in a cell indicates ample cellular respiration and adenosine triphosphate (ATP) production. ATP is the molecular energy of cells and is required in basic cell function and signal transduction. A decrease in ATP levels indicates cytotoxicity and decreased cell function while an increase in ATP levels indicates healthy cells.

The cellular viability assay was conducted to assess the ability of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** to increase cellular metabolic activity in cultured dermal fibroblasts.

Assay Principle

The assay utilizes a nonfluorescent dye, resazurin, which is converted to a fluorescent dye, resorufin, in response to chemical reduction of growth medium from cell growth and by respiring mitochondria. Healthy cells that are in a proliferative state will be able to easily convert resazurin into resorufin without harming the cells. This method is a more sensitive assay than other commonly used mitochondrial reductase dyes such as MTT. An increase in the signal generated by resazurin-conversion is indicative of a proliferative cellular state.

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Materials

- A. Kit:** PrestoBlue™ Cell Viability Reagent (Invitrogen, A13261)
- B. Incubation Conditions:** 37°C at 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity (RH)
- C. Equipment:** Forma humidified incubator; ESCO biosafety laminar flow hood; Light microscope; Pipettes
- D. Cell Line:** Normal Human Dermal Fibroblasts (NHDF) (Lonza; CC-2511)
- E. Media/Buffers:** Basal Medium (Fibrolife; LM-0001), 500µg/mL Human Serum Albumins (Fibrolife; LS-1001), 0.6µM Linoleic Acid (Fibrolife; LS-1001), 0.6µg/mL (Fibrolife; LS-1001), 5ng/mL Fibroblast Growth Factor (Fibrolife; LS-1002), 5mg/mL Epidermal Growth Factor (Fibrolife; LS-1003), 30pg/mL Transforming Growth Factor β-1 (Fibrolife; LS-2003), 7.5mM L-Glutamine (Fibrolife; LS-1006), 1µg/mL Hydrocortisone Hemisuccinate (Fibrolife; LS-1007), 50µg/mL Ascorbic Acid (Fibrolife; LS-1005), 5µg/mL Insulin (Fibrolife; LS-1004)
- F. Culture Plate:** Falcon flat bottom 96-well tissue culture treated plates
- G. Reagents:** PrestoBlue™ reagent (10X)
- H. Other:** Sterile disposable pipette tips

Methods

Human dermal fibroblasts were seeded into 96-well tissue culture plates and allowed to grow to confluency in complete serum-free media. A 10-fold serial dilution was performed resulting in **SynerCide Asian Fusion** concentrations of 0.1% and 0.01% in complete serum-free media and incubated with fibroblasts for 24 hours.

Ten microliters of viability reagent was added to 90µL of cell culture media in culture wells and a fluorometric measurement was taken at 560nm for excitation and 590nm for emission.

Results

The data obtained from this study met criteria for a valid assay and the controls performed as anticipated.

SynerCide Asian Fusion did not exhibit negative effects on cell metabolism.

Cellular metabolism results are shown as mean fluorescence units (MFU) and expressed as percentage change, calculated by the below equation:

$$\text{Percent (\%)Change} = \frac{MFU_{Control} - MFU_{Sample}}{MFU_{Control}} \times 100$$

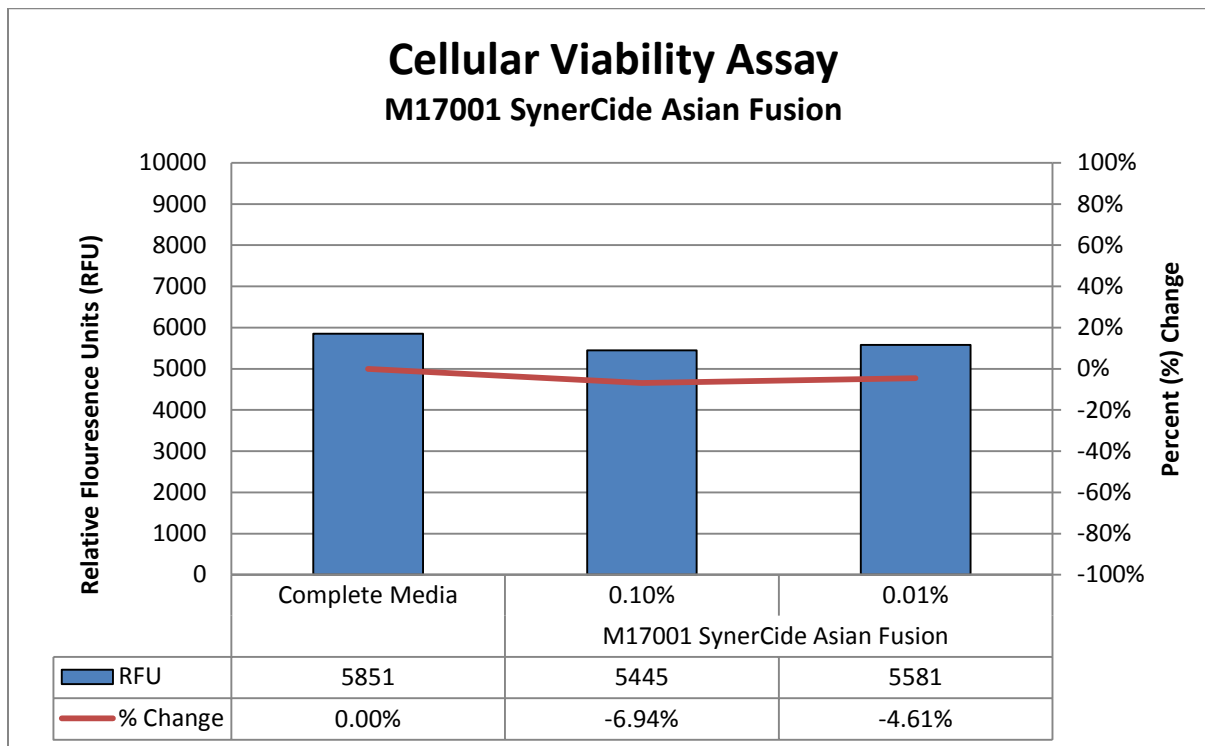


Figure 1: Cellular Metabolism of **SynerCide Asian Fusion**-treated fibroblasts

Discussion

In this study, **SynerCide Asian Fusion** (code M17001) was tested to evaluate its effects on the viability of normal human dermal fibroblasts (NDHF). At concentrations of 0.1% and 0.01%, **SynerCide Asian Fusion**, nor the preservatives contained therein exhibited any inhibition of cell viability. It can therefore be concluded that at normal use concentrations **SynerCide Asian Fusion** is not cytotoxic.



Inhibition Activity Data

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Organism (ATCC #)	Minimum Inhibitory Concentration (%)
<i>E.coli</i> #8739	0.75
<i>S. aureus</i> #6538	0.75
<i>P. aeruginosa</i> #9027	0.75
<i>C. albicans</i> #10231	0.50
<i>A. brasiliensis</i> #16404	1.00

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Challenge Test with 2.0% SynerCide Asian Fusion

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Antimicrobial Efficacy Test PCPC Section 20 Method 3

Determination of Preservation Adequacy of Water- Miscible Personal Care Products

Test Product

SynerCide Asian Fusion
Code: M17001

Test Request #:

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Purpose

This study was initiated to determine the efficacy of a cosmetic ingredient with antimicrobial properties in a cream formulation against bioburden as a function of time.

Study Dates

The study was started on July 20th, 2011 and was completed on September 20th, 2011.

Test Organisms

1. *Escherichia coli*: ATCC #8739
2. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*: ATCC #9027
3. *Staphylococcus aureus*: ATCC #6538
4. *Aspergillus brasiliensis*: ATCC #16404
5. *Candida albicans*: ATCC #10231

Neutralization:

Verification of neutralization of the antimicrobial properties of the product was demonstrated prior to performing the test for microbial content by inoculating the product dilution with a low level of challenge microorganisms (100 CFU) and verifying recovery of this viable inoculum. This provides evidence that the antimicrobial has been neutralized and there are no false positive results during the Challenge Test.

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Test Method

Fifty grams of Generic Cream pH 5 with 2% SynerCide Asian Fusion was weighed into five individual containers. Each container was inoculated with one of the five test organisms. The inoculum concentration for each organism was standardized using the 0.5 McFarland turbidity standard and further diluted to yield approximately 10^6 to 10^8 microorganisms/ml. The amount of each inoculum added to each sample was no more than 1% of the product weight, as to not alter the product composition.

The inoculated samples were evaluated 0, 7, 14, 21, and 28 days after the initial inoculation to determine quantitatively the number of viable microorganisms remaining. On the 28th day of testing the samples were re-inoculated and evaluated 7, 14, 21, and 28 days after the second exposure to determine the number of viable microorganisms. The table below represents the percent reduction of viable organisms after being introduced into the test solution.

Organisms					
Inoculum (initial) CFU/ml	<i>E. coli</i>	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>S. aureus</i>	<i>A. brasiliensis</i>	<i>C. albicans</i>
	2.37×10^5	2.33×10^6	2.02×10^6	2.97×10^5	9.46×10^5
Day 0*	54.008%	110.730%	53.663%	90.404%	92.600%
Day 7	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	99.798%	>99.999%
Day 14	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%
Day 21	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%
Day 28	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%
Inoculum (re-inoculated) CFU/ml	2.57×10^6	2.12×10^6	1.16×10^6	2.48×10^5	7.03×10^5
Day 7	>99.999%	>99.999%	99.999%	99.899%	>99.999%
Day 14	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%
Day 21	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%
Day 28	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%	>99.999%

Table 1. Challenge Test results for Generic Cream pH 5 with 2% SynerCide Asian Fusion inoculated on Day 0 and re-inoculated on Day 28. Results show % reduction in viable organisms.

* The days listed in the first column refer to the inoculum/plating day. Bacteria results are read 2 days after plating day, and mold and yeast results are read 5 days after plating day.

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Results & Discussion

The results obtained from the Neutralization Test of each product using Dey/Engley (D/E) broth, indicate that the neutralization steps conducted prior to performing the Challenge Test are indeed effective for avoiding false positive Challenge Test results.

The results of this Challenge Test demonstrate the effectiveness of the preservation system used in Generic Cream pH 5 with 2% SynerCide Asian Fusion. The recommendations stated in Section 13, Determination of Preservative Adequacy in Cosmetic Formulations, in the PCPC Microbiology Guidelines are as follows:

Bacteria – There should be at least a 99.9% (3 log) reduction of vegetative bacteria within 7 days following each challenge and no increase for the duration of the test period.

Yeasts and Molds – There should be at least a 90% (1 log) reduction of yeasts and molds within 7 days following each challenge and no increase for the duration of the test period.

The Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria were reduced by 99.9% within 7 days of each challenge, mold and yeast were reduced by greater than 90% within 7 days of each challenge. By the end of each 28-day test period Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria were reduced by 99.999% or greater, mold and yeast were reduced 99.0% or greater.



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Phase	Ingredient	Supplier	%
I	Water	-	85.5
	Glycerin	PT. Musim Mas	5.0
	Stearic Acid	Acme Hardesty Oleochemicals	2.5
II	Mineral Oil	RITA	5.0
	Lanolin	RITA	0.5
	Petrolatum	RITA	0.5
	Sepigel 305	Seppic	1.0

Manufacturing Process:

1. Phase I:

Charge water into main beaker and begin propeller mixing. A vortex should form. Begin heating to 80°C while adding the ingredients.

2. Phase II:

In a separate beaker, combine ingredients and heat to 80°C while mixing. Mix until homogenous. Then add to the main beaker with high-speed mixing. Maintain temperature at 80°C and mix for 15 minutes. Begin force cooling to 25°C.

3. Check the pH and adjust it if necessary.

Specifications:

Appearance: White to Off-White Emulsion

pH: 5.0 – 8.0

*If a different pH is desired, adjust using Citric Acid (50%) or NaOH (25%). Formula is stable in the 3.0 – 7.0 pH range.



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Antimicrobial Efficacy (Challenge) Testing

The intent of performing an Antimicrobial Efficacy or Challenge test is to evaluate whether an antimicrobial agent or preservation system in a given cosmetic formulation has the ability to prevent the growth of test microorganisms. The test methodology employed by Active Micro Technologies (AMT) is based on the methods published in the CTFA Microbiology Guidelines. AMT's goal is to assist our customers by providing a screening test of a product formulation that is approaching finalization. It is expected that the formulation(s) submitted for Challenge testing contain AMT antimicrobials and have already passed the customer's internal stability tests. It is also anticipated that formal challenge testing of the final formulation will subsequently be performed by the customer at an outside lab of their choosing.

The information contained in this report is provided by Active Micro Technologies after the exercise of all reasonable care and skill in its compilation, preparation, and issue. It is provided without liability regarding its subsequent application and use. This type of screening test will be conducted only for validation of the efficacy of the antimicrobial agent or preservative system in the specific formulation tested. It does not address the suitability of the overall formula, nor does it address the regulatory status of any component therein. This testing does not account for the possibility of environmental microorganisms and cannot be relied upon as sufficient to justify commercialization of the product tested. By submitting samples for testing, the customer acknowledges that they will not hold Active Micro Technologies responsible for products launched based solely on the support of these studies.

Time Kill Test

E2315

Assessment of Antimicrobial Activity Using a Time Kill Procedure

Product

SynerCide Asian Fusion

Test Request #:

1899

Purpose

This study was initiated to measure the change in population of aerobic microorganisms within a specified sampling time when tested against a cosmetic ingredient.

Study Dates

The study was started on April 14th, 2016 and was completed on April 19th, 2016.

Test Organisms

1. *Escherichia coli*: ATCC #8739
2. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa*: ATCC #9027
3. *Staphylococcus aureus*: ATCC #6538
4. *Bacillus subtilis*: ATCC #6051
5. *Aspergillus brasiliensis*: ATCC #16404
6. *Candida albicans*: ATCC #10231

Neutralization:

Inactivation of the antimicrobial activity of the test material is achieved through the dilution of the test material during the sampling time at specified sampling intervals.

Test Method

Ten grams of 4% SynerCide Asian Fusion solution was weighed into six individual containers. Each container was inoculated with one of the six test organisms. The inoculum concentration for each organism was standardized using the 0.5 McFarland turbidity standard and further diluted to yield approximately 10^6 microorganisms/ml. The amount of each inoculum added to each sample was no more than 1% of the product weight, as to not alter the product composition. Serial dilutions from each container were performed to enumerate the surviving microorganisms using the Plate Count Technique.

The activity of the test material inoculated was evaluated at determine time intervals of 30 seconds, 1, 5, 10 and 30 minutes after the inoculation to determine quantitatively the number of viable microorganisms remaining after the incubation time.

Organisms	Inoculum Concentration CFU/ml	Percentage of Reduction				
		30 seconds	1 minute	5 minute	10 minute	30 minutes
<i>E.coli</i> * ATCC# 8739	6.4×10^6	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%
<i>S.aureus</i> ATCC# 6538	4.5×10^6	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%
<i>P.aeruginosa</i> ATCC# 9027	5.7×10^5	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%
<i>B.subtilis</i> ATCC# 6051	4.0×10^6	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%
<i>A.brasiliensis</i> ATCC# 16404	6.3×10^5	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%
<i>C.albicans</i> ATCC# 10231	3.2×10^6	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%	99.9%

Table 1. Time Kill Test results for 4% SynerCide Asian Fusion inoculated with 10^6 microorganisms' population. Results show % reduction in viable organisms after inoculation and sampling time intervals.

*Bacteria results are read 2 days after plating day, and mold and yeast results are read 5 days after plating day.



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Results & Discussion

The results of this Time Kill Test determine the changes in population of aerobic microorganisms within a specified sampling time when tested against 4% SynerCide Asian Fusion.

The Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria as well as the yeast and mold were reduced by 99.9% within 30 seconds interval of the test after the inoculation.



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Product Name: SynerCide Asian Fusion

Product Code: M17001

INCI Name: Hexylene Glycol & Caprylyl Glycol & Wasabia Japonica Root Extract & Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract & Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract & Water

INCI Status: Approved

SynerCide Asian Fusion is manufactured by first grinding/milling wasabi root, ginger root, and garlic bulb. The plants are then extracted in water under controlled conditions before the addition of hexylene and caprylyl glycols.

The FDA (Food and Drug Administration) states in sections 201 and 409 of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act that "any substance that is intentionally added to food is a food additive, that is subject to review and approval by FDA, unless the substance is generally recognized, among qualified experts, as having been adequately shown to be safe under conditions of its use or unless the use of the substance is otherwise excluded for the definition of a food additive."¹

Therefore, the wasabi, ginger, and garlic components of SynerCide Asian Fusion are classified as Generally Recognized as Safe (GRAS) according to the FDA. All of these ingredients are widely used in food preparations.

The Cosmetic Ingredient Review (CIR) published safety analyses of both caprylyl and hexylene glycols. Caprylyl glycol was determined to have an NOEL of 50 mg/kg/d and an NOAEL of 300 mg/kg/d for systemic toxicity in rats during a 28-day oral toxicity study. Caprylyl glycol did not induce gene mutations or chromosomal aberrations in hamster cells in vitro. Lipsticks were tested for RIPT (Repeat Insult Patch Testing) using 0.5% caprylyl glycol, and results were negative for irritation and sensitization potential. The report summarized that the safety data available for 1,2-glycols, including caprylyl glycol, indicated that they are not acute toxicants, irritants, or sensitizers, and are not genotoxic or carcinogenic. The CIR concluded that caprylyl glycol, along with the other 1,2-glycols tested, are safe in the present practices of use and concentration.²

The report for hexylene glycol concluded that it is safe for topical use in cosmetic products also. This claim was substantiated by the results of several toxicity and irritation tests. Hexylene glycol tested at 100% caused minimal to mild irritation of skin and eyes in test animals. Human skin patch tests on undiluted hexylene glycol produced a very low order of

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primary skin irritation. An RIPT (Repeated Insult Patch Test) produced no evidence of skin sensitization.³

This knowledge combined with dermal and ocular irritation assays allows us to support the safety of SynerCide Asian Fusion in cosmetic applications at the recommended use level of 1 – 2%.

1. Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act. U.S Food and Drug Administration. www.fda.gov.
2. Johnson, Wilbur, et. al. "Safety Assessment of 1,2-Glycols as Used in Cosmetics". [Cosmetic Ingredient Review](#).
3. "Final Reports on the Safety Assessment of Butylene Glycol, Hexylene Glycol, Ethoxydiglycol, and Dipropylene Glycol." [Journal of the American College of Toxicity](#). Volume 4, Number 5. 1985.

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Dermal and Ocular Irritation Tests

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Sample: SynerCide Asian Fusion

Code: M17001

CAS #: 107-41-5 & 1117-86-8 & 999999-99-4 & 84696-15-1 & 8008-99-9 & 7732-18-5

Test Request Form/Submission #: 146

Lot #: 19846

Sponsor: Active Micro Technologies, LLC; 107 Technology Drive Lincolnton, NC 28092

Study Director: Erica Segura

Principle Investigator: Meghan Darley

Test Performed:

In Vitro EpiDerm™ Dermal Irritation Test (EPI-200-SIT)

EpiOcular™ Eye Irritation Test (OCL-200-EIT)

SUMMARY

In vitro dermal and ocular irritation studies were conducted to evaluate whether **SynerCide Asian Fusion** would induce dermal or ocular irritation in the EpiDerm™ and EpiOcular™ model assays.

The product was tested according to the manufacture's protocol. The test article solution was found to be **non-irritating**. Reconstructed human epidermis and cornea epithelial model were incubated in growth media overnight to allow for tissue equilibration after shipping from MatTek Corporation, Ashland, MA. Test substances were applied to the tissue inserts and incubated for 60 minutes for liquid and solid substances in the EpiDerm™ assay and 30 minutes for liquid substances and 90 minutes for solid substances in the EpiOcular™ assay at 37°C, 5% CO₂, and 95% relative humidity (RH). Tissue inserts were thoroughly washed and transferred to fresh plates with growth media. After post substance dosing incubation is complete, the cell viability test begins. Cell viability is measured by dehydrogenase conversion of MTT [(3-4,5-dimethyl thiazole 2-yl)], present in the cell mitochondria, into blue formazan salt that is measured after extraction from the tissue. The irritation potential of the test chemical is dictated by the reduction in tissue viability of exposed tissues compared to the negative control.

Under the conditions of this assay, the test article was considered to be **non-irritating**. The negative and positive controls performed as anticipated.

I. Introduction

A. Purpose

In vitro dermal and ocular irritation studies were conducted to evaluate whether a test article would induce dermal or ocular irritation in the EpiDerm™ and EpiOcular™ model assays. MatTek Corporation's reconstructed human epidermal and human ocular models are becoming a standard in determining the irritancy potential of test substances. They are able to discriminate between irritants and non-irritants. The EpiDerm™ assay has accuracy for the prediction of UN GHS R38 skin irritating and no-label (non-skin irritating) test substances. The EpiOcular™ assay can differentiate chemicals that have been classified as R36 or R41 from the EU classifications based on Dangerous Substances Directive (DSD) or between the UN GHS Cat 1 and Cat 2 classifications.

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II. Materials

- A. Incubation Conditions:** 37°C at 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity
- B. Equipment:** Forma humidified incubator, ESCO biosafety laminar flow hood, Synergy HT Microplate reader; Pipettes
- C. Media/Buffers:** DMEM based medium; DPBS; sterile deionized H₂O
- D. Preparation:** Pre-incubate (37°C) tissue inserts in assay medium; Place assay medium and MTT diluent at 4°C, MTT concentrate at -20°C, and record lot numbers of kit components
- E. Tissue Culture Plates:** Falcon flat bottom 96-well, 24-well, 12-well, and 6-well tissue culture plates
- F. Reagents:** MTT (1.0mg/mL); Extraction Solution (Isopropanol); SDS (5%); Methyl Acetate
- G. Other:** Nylon Mesh Circles (EPI-MESH); Cotton tip swabs; 1mL tuberculin syringes; Ted Pella micro-spatula; 220mL specimen containers; sterile disposable pipette tips; Parafilm

III. Test Assay

A. Test System

The reconstructed human epidermal model, EpiDerm™, and cornea epithelial model, EpiOcular™, consist of normal human-derived epidermal keratinocytes which have been cultured to form a multilayer, highly differentiated model of the human epidermis and cornea epithelium. These models consist of organized basal, spinous, and granular layers, and the EpiDerm™ systems also contains a multilayer stratum corneum containing intercellular lamellar lipid layers that the EpiOcular™ system is lacking. Both the EpiDerm™ and EpiOcular™ tissues are cultured on specially prepared cell culture inserts.

B. Negative Control

Sterile DPBS and sterile deionized water are used as negative controls for the EpiDerm™ and EpiOcular™ assays, respectfully.

C. Positive Control

Known dermal and eye irritants, 5% SDS solution and Methyl Acetate, were used as positive controls for the EpiDerm™ and EpiOcular™ assays, respectfully.

D. Data Interpretation Procedure

a. EpiDerm™

An irritant is predicted if the mean relative tissue viability of the 3 tissues exposed to the test substance is reduced by 50% of the mean viability of the negative controls and a non-irritant's viability is > 50%.

b. EpiOcular™

An irritant is predicted if the mean relative tissue viability of the 2 tissues exposed to the test substance is reduced by 60% of the mean viability of the negative controls and a non-irritant's viability is > 40%.

IV. Method

A. Tissue Conditioning

Upon MatTek kit arrival at Active Micro Technologies, LLC the tissue inserts are removed from their shipping medium and transferred into fresh media and tissue culture plates and incubated at 37°C at 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity for 60 minutes. After those 60 minutes the inserts are transferred into fresh media and tissue culture plates and incubated at 37°C at 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity for an additional 18 to 21 hours.

B. Test Substance Exposure

a. EpiDerm™

30µL (liquid) or 25mg (solid) of the undiluted test substance is applied to 3 tissue inserts and allowed to incubate for 60 minutes in a humidified incubator (37°C, 5% CO₂, 95% RH).

b. EpiOcular™

Each tissue is dosed with 20µL DPBS prior to test substance dosing. 50µL (liquid) or 50mg (solid) of the undiluted test substance is applied to 2 tissue inserts and allowed to incubate for 90 minutes in a humidified incubator (37°C, 5% CO₂, 95% RH).

C. Tissue Washing and Post Incubation

a. EpiDerm™

All tissue inserts are washed with DPBS, dried with cotton tipped swab, and transferred to fresh media and culture plates. After 24 hours the inserts are again transferred into fresh media and culture plates for an additional 18 to 20 hours.

b. EpiOcular™

Tissue inserts are washed with DPBS and immediately transferred into 5mL of assay medium for 12 to 14 minutes. After this soak the inserts are transferred into fresh media and tissue culture plates for 120 minutes for liquid substances and 18 hours for solid substances.

D. MTT Assay

Tissue inserts are transferred into 300µL MTT media in pre-filled plates and incubated for 3 hours at 37°C, 5% CO₂, and 95% RH. Inserts are then removed from the MTT medium and placed in 2mL of the extraction solution. The plate is sealed and incubated at room temperature in the dark for 24 hours. After extraction is complete the tissue inserts are pierced with forceps and 2 x 200µL aliquots of the blue formazan solution is transferred into a 96 well plate for Optical Density reading. The spectrophotometer reads the 96-well plate using a wavelength of 570 nm.

V. Acceptance Criterion

A. Negative Control

The results of this assay are acceptable if the mean negative control Optical Density (OD₅₇₀) is ≥ 1.0 and ≤ 2.5 (EpiDerm™) or ≥ 1.0 and ≤ 2.3 (EpiOcular™).

B. Positive Control

a. EpiDerm™

The assay meets the acceptance criterion if the mean viability of positive control tissues expressed as a % of the negative control is ≤ 20%.

b. EpiOcular™

The assay meets the acceptance criterion if the mean viability of positive control tissues is < 60% of control viability.

C. Standard Deviation

Since each irritancy potential is predicted from the mean viability of 3 tissues for EpiDerm™ and 2 tissues for EpiOcular™, the variability of the replicates should be < 18% for EpiDerm™ and < 20% EpiOcular™.

VI. Results

A. Tissue Characteristics

The tissue inserts included in the MatTek EpiDerm™ and EpiOcular™ assay kits were in good condition, intact, and viable.

B. Tissue Viability Assay

The results are summarized in Figure 1. In no case was the tissue viability $\leq 50\%$ for EpiDerm™ or $\leq 60\%$ for EpiOcular™ in the presence of the test substance. The negative control mean exhibited acceptable relative tissue viability while the positive control exhibited substantial loss of tissue viability and cell death.

C. Test Validity

The data obtained from this study met criteria for a valid assay.

VII. Conclusion

Under the conditions of this assay, the test article substance was considered to be **non-irritating**. The negative and positive controls performed as anticipated.

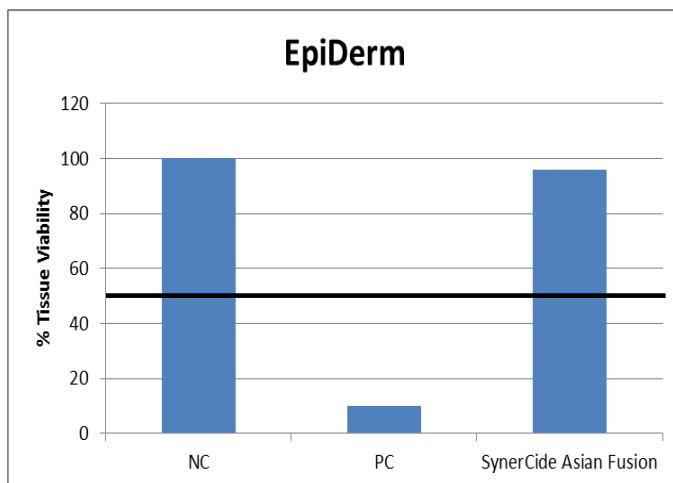


Figure 1: EpiDerm tissue viability

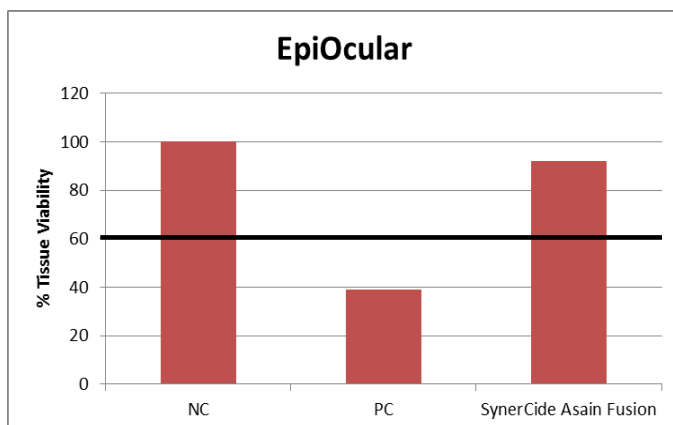


Figure 2: EpiOcular tissue viability



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Direct Peptide Reactivity Assay (DPRA)

Introduction

A skin sensitizer is a substance that will lead to an allergic response following skin contact¹. Haptenation is the covalent binding of a hapten, or low-molecular weight substance or chemical, to proteins in the skin. This is considered the prominent mechanism which defines a chemical as a sensitizer. Haptenation is described as a "molecular initiating event" in the OECD Adverse Outcome Pathway (AOP) for skin sensitization which summarizes the key events known to be involved in chemically-induced allergic contact dermatitis². The direct peptide reactivity assay (DPRA) is designed to mimic the covalent binding of electrophilic chemicals to nucleophilic centers in skin proteins by quantifying the reactivity of chemicals towards the model synthetic peptides containing cysteine and lysine. The DPRA is able to distinguish sensitizers from non-sensitizer with 82% accuracy (sensitivity of 76%; specificity of 92%)³.

This assay was conducted to determine skin sensitization hazard of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** in accordance with European Union Reference Laboratory for Alternatives to Animal Testing (EURL ECVAM) and OECD Test Guideline 442C.

Assay Principle

The DPRA is an *in chemico* method which addresses peptide reactivity by measuring depletion of synthetic heptapeptides containing either cysteine or lysine following 24 hours incubation with the test substance. The peptide is a custom material containing phenylalanine to aid in detection. Depletion of the peptide in the reaction mixture is measured by HPLC with gradient elution and UV detection at 220 nm. Cysteine and lysine peptide percent depletion values are then calculated and used in a prediction model which allows assigning the test chemical to one of four reactivity classes used to support the discrimination between sensitizers and non-sensitizers.

1. United Nations Economic Commission (UNECE) (2013) Global Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS) 5th Revised Edition

2. OECD (2012). The Adverse Outcome Pathway for Skin Sensitization Initiated by Covalent Binding to Proteins. Part 1: Scientific Evidence. Series on Testing and Assessment No. 168

3. EC EURL ECVAM (2012) Direct peptide reactivity assay (DPRA) validation study report; pp 1 -74.

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Materials

- A. Equipment:** HPLC-UV (Waters Breeze - Waters 2998 Photodiode Array Detector); Pipettes; Analytical balance
- B. HPLC/Guard Columns:** Agilent Zorbax SB-C18 2.1mm x 100mm x 3.5µm; Phenomenex Security Guard C18 4mm x 2mm
- C. Chemicals:** Trifluoroacetic acid; Ammonium acetate; Ammonium hydroxide; Acetonitrile; Cysteine peptide (Ac-RFAACAA-COOH); Lysine peptide (Ac-RFAAKAA-COOH); Cinnamic aldehyde
- D. Reagents/Buffers:** Sodium phosphate buffer (100mM); Ammonium acetate buffer (100mM)
- E. Other:** Sterile disposable pipette tips

Methods

Solution Preparation:

- 0.667mM Cysteine Peptide in 100mM Phosphate Buffer (pH 7.5)
- 0.667mM Lysine Peptide in 100mM Ammonium Acetate Buffer (pH 10.2)
- 100mM Cinnamic Aldehyde in Acetonitrile
- 100mM **SynerCide Asian Fusion** in Acetonitrile

Reference Controls:

- Reference Control A: For calibration curve accuracy
- Reference Control B: For peptide stability over analysis time of experiment
- Reference Control C: For verification that the solvent does not impact percent peptide depletion

Sample, Reference Control, and Co-Elution Control Preparation:

- Once these solutions have been made they should be incubated at room temperature, protected from light, for 24±2 hours before running HPLC analysis.
- Each chemical should be analyzed in triplicate.

1:10 Ratio, Cysteine Peptide 0.5mM Peptide, 5mM Test Chemical	1:50 Ratio, Lysine Peptide 0.5mM Peptide, 25mM Test Chemical
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 750µL Cysteine Peptide Solution (or 100mM Phosphate Buffer, pH 7.5, for Co-Elution Controls) • 200µL Acetonitrile • 50µL Test Chemical Solution (or Acetonitrile for Reference Controls) 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 750µL Lysine Peptide Solution (or 100mM Ammonium Acetate Buffer, pH 10.2, for Co-Elution Controls) • 250µL Test Chemical Solution (or Acetonitrile for Reference Controls)

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Calibration Curve:

- Standards are prepared in a solution of 20% Acetonitrile:Buffer
 - For the Cysteine peptide using the phosphate buffer, pH 7.5
 - For the Lysine peptide using the ammonium acetate buffer, pH 10.2

	Standard 1	Standard 2	Standard 3	Standard 4	Standard 5	Standard 6	Standard 7
mM Peptide	0.534	0.267	0.1335	0.0667	0.0334	0.0167	0.000

HPLC Analysis:

- HPLC-UV system should be equilibrated at 30°C with 50% Mobile Phase A (0.1% (v/v) trifluoroacetic acid in water) and 50% Mobile Phase B (0.085% (v/v) trifluoroacetic acid in acetonitrile) for 2 hours
- Absorbance is measured at 220nm
- Flow Conditions:

Time	Flow	%A	%B
0 minutes	0.35 mL/min	90	10
10 minutes	0.35 mL/min	75	25
11 minutes	0.35 mL/min	10	90
13 minutes	0.35 mL/min	10	90
13.5 minutes	0.35 mL/min	90	10
20 minutes	End Run		

Data and Reporting
Acceptance Criteria:

1. The following criteria must be met for a run to be considered valid:
 - a. Standard calibration curve should have an $r^2 > 0.99$.
 - b. Mean percent peptide depletion values of three replicates for the positive control cinnamic aldehyde should be between 60.8% and 100% for the cysteine peptide and between 40.2% and 69% for the lysine peptide and the maximum standard deviation should be <14.9 for the percent cysteine depletion and <11.6 for the percent lysine depletion.
 - c. Mean peptide concentration of reference controls A should be 0.50 ± 0.05 mM and the coefficient of variable of the peptide peak areas for reference B and C in acetonitrile should be <15.0%.
2. The following criteria must be met for a test chemical's results to be considered valid:
 - a. Maximum standard deviation should be <14.9 for percent cysteine depletion and <11.6 for percent lysine depletion.
 - b. Mean peptide concentration of the three reference control C should be 0.50 ± 0.05 mM.

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Prediction Model:

Cysteine 1:10/Lysine 1:50 Prediction Model		
Mean of Cysteine and Lysine % Depletion	Reactivity Class	Prediction
0% < Mean % Depletion < 6.38%	Minimal Reactivity	Non-sensitizer
6.38% < Mean % Depletion < 22.62%	Low Reactivity	Sensitizer
22.62% < Mean % Depletion < 42.47%	Moderate Reactivity	Sensitizer
42.47% < Mean % Depletion < 100%	High Reactivity	Sensitizer

If co-elution occurs with the lysine peptide, than the cysteine 1:10 prediction model can be used:

Cysteine 1:10 Prediction Model		
Mean of Cysteine and Lysine % Depletion	Reactivity Class	Prediction
0% < Cys % Depletion < 13.89%	Minimal Reactivity	Non-sensitizer
13.89% < Cys % Depletion < 23.09%	Low Reactivity	Sensitizer
23.09% < Cys % Depletion < 98.24%	Moderate Reactivity	Sensitizer
98.24% < Cys % Depletion < 100%	High Reactivity	Sensitizer

Results and Discussion

The data obtained from this study met criteria for a valid assay and the controls performed as anticipated.

Percent peptide depletion is determined by the following equation:

$$\text{Percent Peptide Depletion} = \left[1 - \left(\frac{\text{Peptide Peak Area in Replicate Injection}}{\text{Mean Peptide Peak Area in Reference Controls C}} \right) \right] \times 100$$

Based on HPLC-UV analysis of **SynerCide Asian Fusion (code M17001)** we can determine that this product is not a sensitizer and will not cause allergic contact dermatitis. The Mean Percent Depletion of Cysteine and Lysine was 1.89% causing minimal reactivity in the assay giving us the prediction of a non-sensitizer.



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Test Performed:

OECD TG 442D: In Vitro Skin Sensitization
ARE-Nrf2 Luciferase Test Method

Introduction

Skin sensitization refers to an allergic response following skin contact with the tested chemical, as defined by the United Nations Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals¹. Substances are classified as skin sensitizers if there is evidence in humans that the substance can lead to sensitization by skin contact or positive results from appropriate tests, both *in vivo* and *in vitro*. Utilization of the KeratinoSens™ cell line allows for valid *in vitro* testing for skin sensitization.

This assay was conducted to determine skin sensitization potential of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** in accordance with the UN GHS.

Assay Principle

The ARE-Nrf2 luciferase test method addresses the induction of genes that are regulated by antioxidant response elements (ARE) by skin sensitizers. The Keap1-Nrf2-ARE pathways have been shown to be major regulator of cytoprotective responses to oxidative stress or electrophilic compounds. These pathways are also known to be involved in the cellular processes in skin sensitization. Small electrophilic substances such as skin sensitizers can act on the sensor protein Keap1 (Kelch-like ECH-associated protein 1), by covalent modification of its cysteine residue, resulting in its dissociation from the transcription factor Nrf2 (nuclear factor-erythroid 2-related factor 2). The dissociated Nrf2 can then activate ARE-dependent genes such as those coding for phase II detoxifying enzymes.

The skin sensitization assay utilizes the KeratinoSens™ method which uses an immortalized adherent human keratinocyte cell line (HaCaT cell line) that has been transfected with a selectable plasmid to quantify luciferase gene induction as a measure of activation of Keap1-Nrf2-antioxidant/electrophile response element (ARE). This test method has been validated by independent peer review by the EURL-ECVAM. The addition of a luciferin containing reagent to the cells will react with the luciferase produced in the cell resulting in luminescence which can be quantified with a luminometer.

1. United Nations (UN) (2013). Globally Harmonized System of Classification and Labelling of Chemicals (GHS), Fifth revised edition, UN New York and Geneva, 2013
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Materials

- A. Incubation Conditions:** 37°C at 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity (RH)
- B. Equipment:** Humidified incubator; Biosafety laminar flow hood; Microplate Reader; Pipettes
- C. Cell Line:** KeratinoSens™ by Givaudan Schweiz AG
- D. Media/Buffers:** Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM); Fetal Bovine Serum (FBS); Phosphate Buffered Saline (PBS); Geneticin
- E. Culture Plate:** Flat bottom 96-well tissue culture treated plates
- F. Reagents:** Dimethyl Sulfoxide (DMSO); Cinnamic Aldehyde; ONE-Glo Reagent; 3-(4,5-dimethylthiazol-2-yl)-2,5-diphenyltetrazolium bromide (MTT); sodium lauryl sulfate (SLS)
- G. Other:** Sterile disposable pipette tips; wash bottles

Methods

KeratinoSens™ were into seeded four 96-well tissue culture plates and allowed to grow to 80 – 90% confluency in DMEM containing 10% FBS and 500µg/mL G418 geneticin. Twelve test concentrations of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** were prepared in DMSO with a concentration range from 0.98 – 2000 µM. These 12 concentrations were assayed in triplicate in 2 independently performed experiments. The positive control was cinnamic aldehyde for which a series of 5 concentrations prepared in DMSO had final test concentrations of 4 – 64µM. The negative control was a 1% test concentration of DMSO.

24 hour post KeratinoSens™ seeding, the culture media was removed and replaced with fresh media containing 10% FBS without G418 geneticin. 50 µL of the above described test concentrations was added to the appropriate wells. The treated plates were then incubated for 48 hours at 37°C in the presence of 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity. After treatment incubation was complete the media was removed and the wells were washed with PBS 3 times.

One of the four plates was used for a cytotoxicity endpoint, where MTT was added to the wells and incubated for 4 hours at 37°C in the presence of 5% CO₂. SLS was then added to the wells and incubated overnight at room temperature. A spectrometer measured the absorbance at 570 nm. The absorbance values (optical density) were then used to determine the viability of each well by comparing the optical density of each test material treated well to that of the solvent control wells to determine the IC₅₀ and IC₃₀ values.

The remaining 3 plates were used in the luciferase induction endpoint of the assay. 100 µL of Promega's ONE-Glo Reagent was added to 100 µL of fresh media containing 10% FBS without geneticin. Cells were incubated for 5 minutes to induce cell lysis and release luciferin into the media. Plates were read with a luminometer and EC_{1.5} and maximum response (I_{max}) values were obtained.

Data and Reporting

Acceptance Criteria:

1. Gene induction obtained with the positive control, cinnamic aldehyde, should be statistically significant above the threshold of 1.5 in at least one of the tested concentrations (from 4 to 64 µM).
2. The EC_{1.5} value should be within two standard deviations of the historical mean and the average induction in the three replicates for cinnamic aldehyde at 64 µM should be between 2 and 8.
3. The average coefficient of variability of the luminescence reading for the negative (solvent) control DMSO should be below 20% in each experiment.

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A KeratinoSens™ prediction is considered positive if the following conditions are met:

1. The I_{max} is higher than 1.5-fold and statistically significantly higher as compared to the solvent (negative) control
2. The cellular viability is higher than 70% at the lowest concentration with a gene induction above 1.5 fold (i.e., at the EC_{1.5} determining concentration)
3. The EC_{1.5} value is less than 1000 μM (or < 200 μg/ml for test chemicals with no defined MW)
4. There is an apparent overall dose-response for luciferase induction

Results

Compound	Classification	EC _{1.5} (μM)	IC ₅₀	I _{max}
Cinnamic aldehyde	Sensitizer	19	289.19 μM	31.6
DMSO	Non-Sensitizer	No Induction	243.24 μM	1.2
SynerCide Asian Fusion	Non-Sensitizer	No Induction	> 1000 μM	0.4

Table 1: Overview of KeratinoSens™ Assay Results

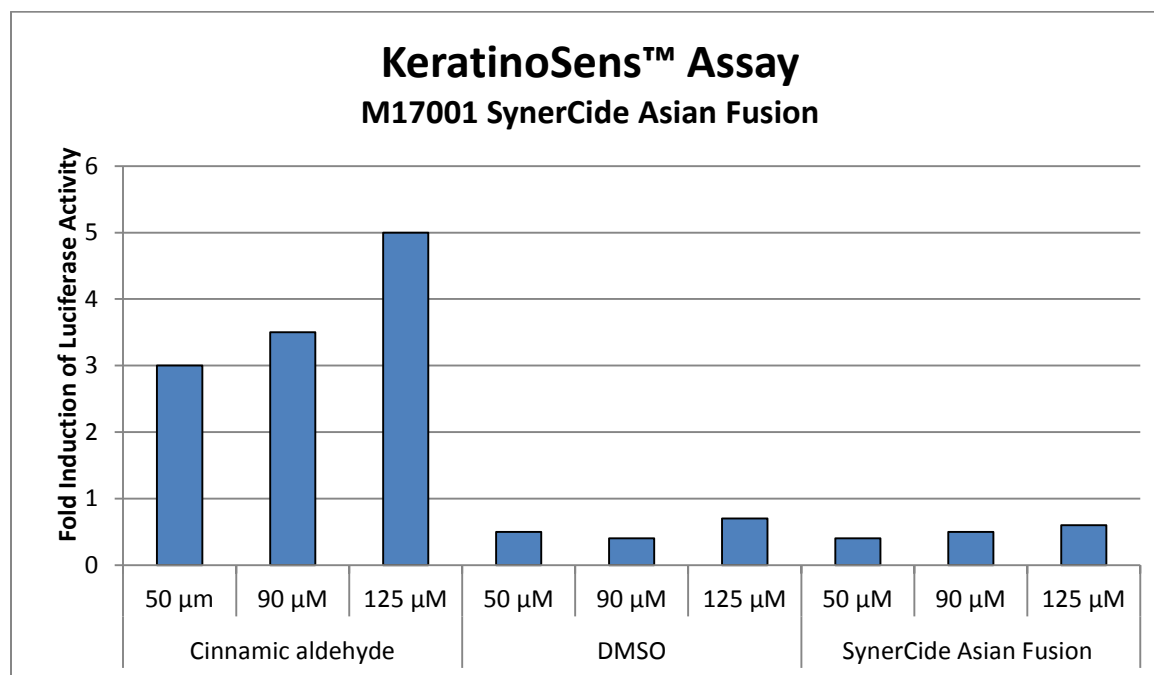


Figure 1: Fold Induction of Luciferase

Discussion

As shown in the results, **SynerCide Asian Fusion (code M17001)** was not predicted to be a skin sensitizer based on the KeratinoSens™ ARE-Nrf2 Luciferase Test Method as there was not a significant increase in luciferase expression. It can be concluded that **SynerCide Asian Fusion** can be safely used in cosmetics and personal care products at typical use levels.

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SUMMARY

A *Salmonella typhimurium*/*Escherichia coli* reverse mutation standard plate incorporation study described by Ames *et al.* (1975) was conducted to evaluate whether a test article solution **SynerCide Asian Fusion** would cause mutagenic changes in the average number of revertants for histidine-dependent *Salmonella typhimurium* strains TA98, TA100, TA1537, TA1535 and tryptophan-dependent *Escherichia coli* strain WP2uvrA in the presence and absence of Aroclor-induced rat liver S9. This study was conducted to satisfy, in part, the Genotoxicity requirement of the International Organization for Standardization: Biological Evaluation of Medical Devices, Part 3: Tests for Genotoxicity, Carcinogenicity and Reproductive Toxicity.

The stock test article was tested at eight doses levels along with appropriate vehicle control and positive controls with overnight cultures of tester strains. The test article solution was found to be noninhibitory to growth of tester strain TA98, TA100, TA1537, TA1535 and WP2uvrA after Spot Inhibition Screen.

Separate tubes containing 2 ml of molten top agar at 45°C supplemented with histidine-biotin solution for the *Salmonella typhimurium* strains and supplemented with tryptophan for *Escherichia coli* strain were inoculated with 100 µl of tester strains, 100 µl of vehicle or test article dilution were added and 500 µl aliquot of S9 homogenate, simulating metabolic activation, was added when necessary. After vortexing, the mixture was poured across the Minimal Glucose Agar (GMA) plates. Parallel testing was also conducted with positive control correspond to each strain, replacing the test article aliquot with 50µl aliquot of appropriate positive control. After the overlay had solidified, the plates were inverted and incubated for 48 hours at 37°C. The mean numbers of revertants of the test plates were compared to the mean number of revertants of the negative control plates for each of the strains tested. The means obtained for the positive controls were used as points of reference.

Under the conditions of this assay, the test article solution was considered to be Non-Mutagenic to *Salmonella typhimurium* tester strains TA98, TA100, TA1537, TA1535 and *Escherichia coli* tester strain WP2uvrA. The negative and positive controls performed as anticipated. The results of this study should be evaluated in conjunction with other required tests as listed in ISO 100993, Part 3: Tests for Genotoxicity, Carcinogenicity, and Reproductive Toxicology.

I. Introduction

A. Purpose

A *Salmonella typhimurium*/*Escherichia coli* reverse mutation standard plate incorporation study was conducted to evaluate whether a test article solution would cause mutagenic changes in the average number of revertants for *Salmonella typhimurium* tester strains TA98, TA100, TA1537, TA1535 and *Escherichia coli* WP2uvrA in the presence and absences of the S9 metabolic activation. Bacterial reverse mutation tests have been widely used as rapid screening procedures for the determination of mutagenic and potential carcinogenic hazards.

II. Materials

- A. **Storage Conditions:** Room temperature (23-25C).
- B. **Vehicle:** Sterile DI Water.
- C. **Preparation:** Eight different doses level were prepared immediately before use with sterile DI water.
- D. **Solubility/Stability:** 100% Soluble and Stable.
- E. **Toxicity:** No significant inhibition was observed.

III. Test System

A. Test System

Each *Salmonella typhimurium* and *Escherichia coli* tester strain contains a specific deep rough mutation (*rfa*), the deletion of *uvrB* gene and the deletion in the *uvrA* gene that increase their ability to detect mutagens, respectively. These genetically altered *Salmonella typhimurium* strains (TA98, TA100, TA1537 and TA1535) and *Escherichia coli* strain (WP2*uvrA*) cannot grow in the absence of histidine and tryptophan, respectively. When placed in a histidine-tryptophan free medium, only those cells which mutate spontaneously back to their wild type states are able to form colonies. The spontaneous mutation rate (or reversion rate) for any one strain is relatively constant, but if a mutagen is added to the test system, the mutation rate is significantly increased.

<u>Tester strain</u>	<u>Mutations/Genotypic Relevance</u>
TA98	hisD3052, Dgal chlD bio <i>uvrB rfa</i> pKM101
TA100	hisG46, Dgal chlD BIO <i>uvrB rfa</i> pKM101
TA1537	hisC3076, <i>rfa</i> , Dgal chlD bio <i>uvrB</i>
TA 1535	hisG46, Dgal chlD bio <i>uvrB rfa</i>
WP2 <i>uvrA</i>	trpE, <i>uvrA</i>

<i>rfa</i>	=	causes partial loss of the lip polysaccharide wall which increases permeability of the cell to large molecules.
<i>uvrB</i>	=	deficient DNA excision-repair system (i.e., ultraviolet sensitivity)
pKM101	=	plasmid confers ampicillin resistance (R-factor) and enhances sensitivity to mutagens.
<i>uvrA</i>	=	All possible transitions and transversions, small deletions.

B. Metabolic Activation

Aroclor induced rat liver (S9) homogenate was used as metabolic activation. The S9 homogenate is prepared from male Sprague Dawley rats. Material is supplied by MOLTOX, Molecular Toxicology, Inc.

C. Preparation of Tester strains

Cultures of *Salmonella typhimurium* TA98, TA100, TA1537, TA1535 and *Escherichia coli* WP2*uvrA* were inoculated to individual flasks containing Oxoid broth No.2. The inoculated broth cultures were incubated at 37°C in an incubator shaker operating at 140-150 rpm for 12-16 hours.

D. Negative Control

Sterile DI water (vehicle without test material) was tested with each tester strain to determine the spontaneous reversion rate. Each strain was tested with and without S9 activation. These data represented a base rate to which the number of revertants colonies that developed in each test plate were compared to determine whether the test material had significant mutagenic properties.

E. Positive Control

A known mutagen for each strain was used as a positive control to demonstrate that tester strains were sensitive to mutation to the wild type state. The positive controls are tested with and without the presence of S9 homogenate.

F. Titer of the Strain Cultures:

Fresh cultures of bacteria were grown up to the late exponential or early stationary phase of growth; to confirm this, serial dilutions from each strain were conducted, indicating that the initial population was in the range of 1 to 2×10^9 /ml.

IV. Method

A. Standard Plate Incorporation Assay:

Separate tubes containing 2 ml of molten top agar supplemented with histidine-biotin solution for the *Salmonella typhimurium* and tryptophan for *Escherichia coli* were inoculated with 100 μ l of culture for each strain and 100 μ l of testing solution or vehicle without test material. A 500 μ l aliquot of S9 homogenate, simulating metabolic activation, was added when necessary. The mixture was poured across Minimal Glucose Agar plates labeled with strain number and S9 activation (+/-). When plating the positive controls, the test article aliquot was replaced by 50 μ l aliquot of appropriate positive control. The test was conducted per duplicate. The plates were incubated for 37°C for 2 days. Following the incubation period, the revertant colonies on each plate were recorded. The mean number of revertants was determined. The mean numbers of revertants of the test plates were compared to the mean number of revertants of the negative control of each strain used.

V. Evaluation

For the test solution to be evaluated as a test failure or “potential mutagen” there must have been a 2-fold or greater increase in the number of mean revertants over the means obtained from the negative control for any or all strains. Each positive control mean must have exhibited at least a 3-fold increase over the respective negative control mean of the *Salmonella* tester strain used.

VI. Results and Discussion

A. Solubility:

Water was used as a solvent. Solutions from the test article were made from 0.015 to 50mg/ml.

B. Dose levels tested:

The maximum dose tested was 5000 μ g per plate. The dose levels tested were 1.5, 5.0, 15, 50, 150, 500, 1500 and 5000 μ g per plate.

C. Titer (Organisms/ml):

5×10^8 UFC/ml plate count indicates that the initial population was in the range of 1 to 2×10^9 UFC/ml.

C. Standard Plate Incorporation Assay

In no case was there a 2-fold or greater increase in the mean number of revertant testing strains TA98, TA100, TA1537, TA1535 and WP2uvrA in the presence of the test solution compared with the mean of vehicle control value. The positive controls mean exhibited at least a 3-fold increase over the respective mean of the *Salmonella typhimurium* and *Escherichia coli* tester strains used. The results are summarized in Appendix 2.

VII. Conclusion

All criteria for a valid study were met as described in the protocol. The results of the Bacterial Reverse Mutation Assay indicate that under the conditions of this assay, the test article solution was considered to be Non-Mutagenic to *Salmonella typhimurium* tester strains TA98, TA100, TA1537, TA1535 and *Escherichia coli* WP2uvrA. The negative and positive controls performed as anticipated. The results of this study should be evaluated in conjunction with other required tests as listed in ISO 100993, Part 3: Tests for Genotoxicity, Carcinogenicity, and Reproductive Toxicology.

Appendix 2:

Bacterial Mutation Assay Plate Incorporation Assay Results

	Concentration µg per Plate	TA98		
		Revertants per plate (CFU)		Mean
Test Solution w/ S9	5000	30	32	31
	1500	25	28	27
	500	30	31	31
	150	29	20	25
	50	25	23	24
	15	28	26	27
	5.0	22	22	22
	1.5	28	24	26
Test Solution w/o S9	5000	19	25	22
	1500	32	33	31
	500	31	30	31
	150	25	27	26
	50	33	32	33
	15	20	22	21
	5.0	26	26	26
	1.5	23	24	24
DI Water w/S9		32	35	34
DI Water w/o S9		30	26	28
2-aminoanthracen w/ S9		359	326	343
2-nitrofluorene w/o S9		223	282	253
Historical Count Positive w/S9		43-1893		
Historical Count Positive w/o S9		39-1871		
Historical Count Negative w/S9		4-69		
Historical Count Negative w/o S9		3-59		

*CFU = Colony Forming Units

*Mean = Average of duplicate plates

	Concentration µg per Plate	TA100		
		Revertants per plate (CFU)		Mean
Test Solution w/ S9	5000	109	100	105
	1500	116	132	124
	500	126	152	139
	150	136	142	139
	50	130	165	148
	15	140	135	138
	5.0	145	144	145
	1.5	142	163	153
Test Solution w/o S9	5000	148	148	148
	1500	147	162	155
	500	155	129	142
	150	105	153	129
	50	111	123	120
	15	133	145	139
	5.0	130	112	121
	1.5	122	129	126
DI Water w/S9		168	175	172
DI Water w/o S9		182	196	189
2-aminoanthracen w/ S9		437	464	451
Sodium azide w/o S9		426	440	433
Historical Count Positive w/S9		224-3206		
Historical Count Positive w/o S9		226-1837		
Historical Count Negative w/S9		55-268		
Historical Count Negative w/o S9		47-250		

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	Concentration µg per Plate	<i>TA1537</i>		
		Revertants per plate (CFU)		Mean
Test Solution w/ S9	5000	15	12	14
	1500	10	18	14
	500	16	15	16
	150	19	14	17
	50	16	17	17
	15	17	18	18
	5.0	10	11	11
	1.5	19	14	17
Test Solution w/o S9	5000	18	16	17
	1500	8	12	10
	500	13	14	14
	150	16	17	16
	50	20	21	21
	15	20	24	22
	5.0	18	19	19
	1.5	14	13	14
DI Water w/S9		11	18	15
DI Water w/o S9		14	12	13
2-aminoanthracen w/ S9		339	364	352
2-aminoacridine w/o S9		373	388	381
Historical Count Positive w/S9		13-1934		
Historical Count Positive w/o S9		17-4814		
Historical Count Negative w/S9		0-41		
Historical Count Negative w/o S9		0-29		

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	Concentration µg per Plate	TA1535		
		Revertants per plate (CFU)		Mean
Test Solution w/ S9	5000	19	22	21
	1500	26	24	25
	500	27	28	28
	150	29	30	30
	50	31	33	32
	15	25	26	26
	5.0	19	22	21
	1.5	23	25	24
Test Solution w/o S9	5000	26	24	25
	1500	27	31	29
	500	29	30	30
	150	23	26	25
	50	20	21	21
	15	28	25	27
	5.0	23	30	27
	1.5	28	22	25
DI Water w/S9		20	24	22
DI Water w/o S9		27	29	28
2-aminoanthracen w/ S9		256	274	265
Sodium azide w/o S9		488	446	467
Historical Count Positive w/S9		22-1216		
Historical Count Positive w/o S9		47-1409		
Historical Count Negative w/S9		1-50		
Historical Count Negative w/o S9		1-45		

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	Concentration µg per Plate	WP2uvrA		
		Revertants per plate (CFU)		Mean
Test Solution w/ S9	5000	25	26	26
	1500	24	23	24
	500	18	19	19
	150	24	27	26
	50	31	34	33
	15	25	33	29
	5.0	20	22	21
	1.5	32	31	32
Test Solution w/o S9	5000	43	40	42
	1500	45	44	45
	500	41	38	40
	150	34	37	36
	50	32	33	33
	15	30	31	31
	5.0	38	35	37
	1.5	33	36	35
DI Water w/S9		49	45	47
DI Water w/o S9		59	50	55
2-aminoanthracen w/ S9		488	514	501
Methylmethanesulfonate w/o S9		401	399	400
Historical Count Positive w/S9		44-1118		
Historical Count Positive w/o S9		42-1796		
Historical Count Negative w/S9		8-80		
Historical Count Negative w/o S9		8-84		

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In Vitro EpiDerm™ Model (EPI-200-SIT) Phototoxicity

SUMMARY

In vitro phototoxicity irritation studies were conducted to evaluate whether **SynerCide Asian Fusion** would induce phototoxic irritation in the EpiDerm™ model assay.

The product was tested according to the manufacturer's protocol. The test article solution was found to be a **non-photoirritant** at concentrations of 0.5%, 1.3%, and 4.5%. Reconstructed human epidermis was incubated in growth media for one hour to allow for tissue equilibration after shipping from MatTek Corporation, Ashland, MA. Test substance was applied to the tissue inserts in five varying concentrations and incubated overnight at 37°C, 5% CO₂, and 95% relative humidity (RH). The following day, the appropriate tissue inserts were irradiated (UVA) for 60 minutes with 1.7 mW/cm² (=6 J/cm²). After substance incubation, irradiation, and washing was completed, the cell viability test was conducted. Cell viability was measured by dehydrogenase conversion of MTT [(3-(4,5-dimethyl thiazole 2-yl)], present in the cell mitochondria, into blue formazan salt that was measured after extraction from the tissue. The photoirritation potential of the test chemical was dictated by the reduction in tissue viability of UVA exposed tissues compared to non-UVA exposed tissues.

Under the conditions of this assay, the test article was considered to be **non-phototoxic** at concentrations of 0.5%, 1.3%, and 4.5%. The negative and positive controls performed as anticipated.

I. Introduction

A. Purpose

In vitro dermal phototoxicity study was conducted to evaluate whether a test article would induce photoirritation in the EpiDerm™ model assay. MatTek Corporation's reconstructed human epidermal model is becoming a standard in determining the phototoxicity potential of a test substance. This assay is able to discriminate between photoirritants and non-photoirritants at varying concentrations.

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II. Materials

- A. Incubation Conditions:** 37°C at 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity
- B. Equipment:** Forma humidified incubator, ESCO biosafety laminar flow hood, Synergy HT Microplate reader; UVA-vis Irradiation Equipment; UVA meter; Pipettes
- C. Media/Buffers:** Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM) based medium; Dulbecco's Phosphate-Buffered Saline (DPBS); sterile deionized H₂O
- D. Preparation:** Pre-incubate (37°C) tissue inserts in assay medium; Place assay medium and MTT diluent at 4°C, MTT concentrate at -20°C, and record lot numbers of kit components
- E. Tissue Culture Plates:** Falcon flat bottom 96-well, 24-well, and 6-well tissue culture plates
- F. Reagents:** MTT (3-4,5-dimethyl thiazole 2-yl) (1.0mg/mL); Extraction Solution (Isopropanol); Chlorpromazine; Triton X-100 (1%)
- G. Other:** Wash bottle; sterile disposable pipette tips; Parafilm; forceps

III. Test Assay

A. Test System

The reconstructed human epidermal model, EpiDerm™ consists of normal human-derived epidermal keratinocytes which have been cultured to form a multilayer, highly differentiated model of the human epidermis. This model consists of organized basal, spinous, and granular layers, and contains a multilayer stratum corneum containing intercellular lamellar lipid layers. The EpiDerm™ tissues are cultured on specially prepared cell culture inserts.

B. Negative Control

Sterile deionized water is used as the negative controls for the EpiDerm™ Phototoxicity assay.

C. Positive Control

Concentrations of chlorpromazine, ranging from 0.001% to 0.1%, were used as positive controls for the EpiDerm™ Phototoxicity assay.

D. Data Interpretation Procedure

A photoirritant is predicted if the mean relative tissue viability of the 2 tissues exposed to the test substance and 60 minutes of 6 J/cm² is reduced by 20% compared to the non-irradiated control tissues.

IV. Method

A. Tissue Conditioning

Upon MatTek kit arrival at Active Micro Technologies, LLC the tissue inserts are removed from their shipping medium and transferred into fresh media and tissue culture plates and incubated at 37°C at 5% CO₂ and 95% relative humidity for 60 minutes. After those 60 minutes the inserts are transferred into fresh media and tissue culture plates and tissue insert dosing begins.

B. Test Substance Exposure

50µL of the diluted test substance in their respective concentrations are applied to 2 tissue inserts and allowed to incubate for overnight in a humidified incubator (37°C, 5% CO₂, 95% RH).

C. Tissue Irradiation

Tissue inserts in their 6-well plates are UVA-irradiated for 60 minutes with 6 J/cm² at room temperature. The non-irradiated tissue inserts are incubated at room temperature in the dark.

D. Tissue Washing and Post Incubation

After UVA-irradiation and dark incubation is complete the tissue inserts are washed using sterile DPBS and transferred to fresh 6-well plates and media for overnight incubation at 37°C, 5% CO₂, 95% RH.

E. MTT Assay

Tissue inserts are transferred into 300µL MTT media in pre-filled plates and incubated for 3 hours at 37°C, 5% CO₂, and 95% RH. Inserts are then removed from the MTT medium and placed in 2mL of the extraction solution. The plate is sealed and incubated at room temperature in the dark for 24 hours. After extraction is complete the tissue inserts are pierced with forceps and 2 x 200µL aliquots of the blue formazan solution is transferred into a 96 well plate for Optical Density reading. The spectrophotometer reads the 96-well plate using a wavelength of 570 nm.

V. Acceptance Criterion

A. Negative Control

The results of this assay are acceptable if the mean negative control Optical Density (OD₅₇₀) is ≥ 0.8.

B. Positive Control

The assay meets the acceptance criterion if a dose dependent reduction in cell viability in the UVA-irradiated tissues is between 0.00316% and 0.0316%.

C. Standard Deviation

Since the phototoxicity potential is predicted from the mean viability of 2 tissues for the EpiDerm™ Phototoxicity Protocol, the variability of the replicates should not exceed 30%.

VI. Results

A. Tissue Characteristics

The tissue inserts included in the MatTek EpiDerm™ assay kit were in good condition, intact, and viable.

B. Tissue Viability Assay

The results are summarized in Figure 1. Cell viability is calculated for each tissue as a percentage of the corresponding vehicle control either irradiated or non-irradiated. Tissue viability was not reduced by 20% in the presence of the test substance and UVA-irradiation at concentrations of 0.5%, 1.3%, and 4.5%. The negative control mean exhibited acceptable relative tissue viability while the positive control exhibited dose dependent loss of tissue viability and cell death.

C. Test Validity

The data obtained from this study met criteria for a valid assay. The negative and positive controls performed as anticipated.

VII. Conclusion

Phototoxicity (photoirritation) is defined as an acute toxic response that is elicited after exposure of the skin to certain chemicals and subsequent exposure to light. Under the conditions of this assay, the test article substance was considered to be **non-phototoxic** at concentrations of 0.5%, 1.3%, and 4.5%. There is a decrease in viability at the 12% test concentration with and without irradiation. Using any test substance at this high of a concentration will have noticeable effects on cellular viability due to the fact that that substance is replacing the cell's nutrients. We can safely say that **SynerCide Asian Fusion** is not a photoirritant when used at the suggested use levels of 1 – 2%.

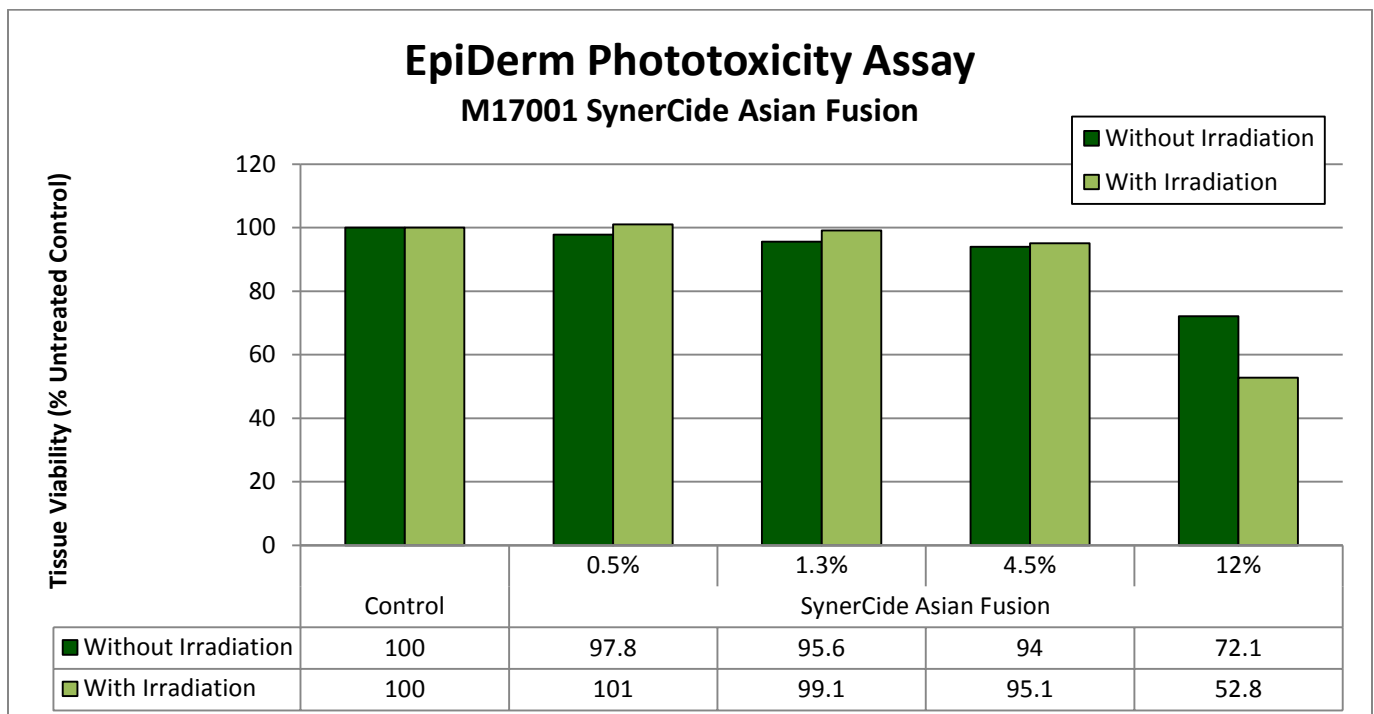


Figure 1: EpiDerm Phototoxicity Graph



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Tradename: SynerCide Asian Fusion

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CAS #: 107-41-5 & 1117-86-8 & 999999-99-4 & 84696-15-1 & 8008-99-9 & 7732-18-5

Test Request Form #: 1408

Lot #: 41590

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Study Director: Erica Segura

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Test Performed:

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Daphnia spp. Acute Immobilization Test

Introduction

The purpose of the present study is to determine the toxicity of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** by exposing *Daphnia* spp. to the test substance for 48 hours and measuring the immobilization rate against the control. The present study defines an organism as being immobilized when it does not move for 15 seconds after the test vessel is gently shaken.

OECD Guideline 202 on “*Daphnia* spp., Acute Immobilization Test and Reproduction Test”, adopted in 1984, included two parts: Part I – the 24 hour EC₅₀ acute immobilization test and Part II – the reproduction test (at least 14 days). Revision of the reproduction test resulted in the adoption and publication of Test Guideline 211 on “*Daphnia magna* Reproduction Test” in September 1998. Consequently, the new version of Guideline 202 is restricted to the acute immobilization test.

Assay Principle

Young daphnids, aged less than 24 hours at the start of the test, are exposed to the test substance at a range of concentrations for a period of 48 hours. Immobilization is recorded at 24 hours and 48 hours and compared with control values. The results are analyzed in order to calculate the EC₅₀ at 48 hours. EC₅₀ is the concentration estimated to immobilize 50% of the daphnids within a stated exposure period. Immobilization refers to those animals that are not able to swim within 15 seconds after gentle agitation of the test vessel, even if they can still move their antennae.

The water solubility and vapor pressure of the test substance should be known. A reliable analytical method for the quantification of the substance in the test solutions with reported recovery efficiency and limit of determination should also be available.

A reference substance may be tested for EC₅₀ as a means of assuring that the test conditions are reliable.

For this assay to be valid, the following performance criteria apply:

- In the control, not more than 10% of the daphnids should have been immobilized.
- The dissolved oxygen concentration at the end of the test should be at least 3 mg/L in control and test vessels.

Materials

- Glass Test Tubes and/or Beakers
- Dissolved Oxygen Meter
- pH Meter
- Temperature Control Apparatus
- Total Organic Carbon (TOC) Analyzer
- Chemical Oxygen Demand (COD) Analyzer
- *Daphnia magna* Straus
 - Use organisms less than 24 hours old. Do not use first offspring of parents.
- Water
 - Use water suitable for culturing and testing *Daphnia* spp. It can be natural water (surface water or groundwater), dechlorinated tap water, or artificially prepared water (Table 1), but must satisfy the conditions listed in Table 2. Do not use Elendt M4 or M7 media or water containing chelating agents for testing metal-containing substances.

Substance	Concentration
Particulate Matter	<20 mg/L
Total Organic Carbon	<2 mg/L
Unionized Ammonia	<1 ug/L
Residual Chlorine	<10 ug/L
Total Organophosphorus Pesticides	<50 ng/L
Total Organochlorine Pesticides plus Polychlorinated Biphenyls	<50 ng/L
Total Organic Chlorine	<25 ng/L

Table 1: Chemical Characteristics of Suitable Water

Substance	Amount Added to 1 Liter Water	To prepare the reconstituted water, add the following volumes of stock solutions to 1 liter water
Calcium Chloride	11.76 grams	25 mL
Magnesium Sulfate	4.93 grams	25 mL
Sodium Bicarbonate	2.59 grams	25 mL
Potassium Chloride	0.23 grams	25 mL

Table 2: Examples of Suitable Reconstituted Test Water

Methods

Test Conditions

- Test Method
 - Test is performed under a static, semi-static, or flow-through condition. If test substance is unstable, a semi-static or flow-through test is recommended.
- Exposure Period
 - 48 hours
- Test Volume
 - At least 2 milliliters
- Number of Test Organisms
 - At least 20 organisms for each test concentration and the control.
- Test Concentration
 - Adopt a concentration range of at least 5 concentrations, with the highest concentration inducing 100% immobilization and no effect at the lowest concentration.
- Culture Method
 - Illumination: The photoperiod is set to 16 hours light and 8 hours dark
 - Temperature: The temperature is between 18°C to 22°C
 - Dissolved Oxygen Concentration: Must be kept at 3mg/L or higher
 - Feeding: Do not feed test organisms

Observation

- Observe mobility of the organisms at least twice (i.e., at 24 and 48 hours after exposure).
- The organisms are considered immobilized when they do not move for 15 seconds after test vessel is gently shaken.

Measurement of Test Substance Concentrations

- At the beginning and end of exposure, measure test substance concentrations at the lowest and highest test concentration groups.
 - For volatile or adsorptive substances, additional measurements are recommended at 24 hours intervals during exposure period.

Test Condition Measurements

- Measure dissolved oxygen in the control and at the highest test concentration at the beginning and end of the exposure period.
- Measure pH in the control and at the highest test concentration at the beginning and end of the exposure period.
- Water temperature should be measured at the beginning and end of the exposure period.

Data and Reporting

I. Data

- a. Data should be summarized in tabular form, showing for each treatment group and control, the number of daphnids used, and immobilization at each observation. The percentages immobilized at 24 and 48 hours are plotted against test concentrations. Data are analyzed by appropriate statistical methods (e.g. probit analysis, etc.) to calculate the slopes of the curves and the EC_{50} with 95% confidence limits ($p = 0.95$).
- b. Where the standard methods of calculating the EC_{50} are not applicable to the data obtained, the highest concentration causing no immobility and the lowest concentration producing 100% immobility should be used as an approximation for the EC_{50} (this being considered the geometric mean of these two concentrations).

II. Test Report

- a. The test report must include the following:
 - i. Test substance:
 1. Physical nature and relevant physical-chemical properties
 2. Chemical identification data, including purity
 - ii. Test species:
 1. Source and species of *Daphnia*, supplier of source (if known), and the culture conditions (including source, kind and amount of food, feeding frequency)
 - iii. Test conditions:
 1. Description of test vessels: type and volume of vessels, volume of solution, number of daphnids per test vessel, number of test vessels (replicates) per concentration
 2. Methods of preparation of stock and test solutions including the use of any solvent or dispersants, concentrations used
 3. Details of dilution water: source and water quality characteristics (pH, hardness, Ca/Mg ratio, Na/K ratio, alkalinity, conductivity, etc); composition of reconstituted water if used
 4. Incubation conditions: temperature, light intensity and periodicity, dissolved oxygen, pH, etc.
 - iv. Results:
 1. The nominal test concentrations and the result of all analyses to determine the concentration of the test substance in the test vessels; the recovery efficiency of the method and the limit of determination should also be reported
 2. All physical-chemical measurements of temperature, pH and dissolved oxygen made during the test
 3. The EC_{50} at 48 hours for immobilization with confidence intervals and graphs of the fitted model used for calculation, the slopes of the dose-response curves and their standard error; statistical procedures used for determination of EC_{50} .

Results

General Information:

Name of new chemical substance	SynerCide Asian Fusion		
INCI Nomenclature	<i>Hexylene Glycol & Caprylyl Glycol & Wasabia japonica Root Extract & Zingiber officinale (Ginger) Root Extract & Allium sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract & Water</i>		
CAS number	107-41-5 & 1117-86-8 & 999999-99-4 & 84696-15-1 & 8008-99-9 & 7732-18-5		
Structural or rational formula (if neither is available, summarize its formulation method)	Botanical: Wasabia japonica & Zingiber officinale & Allium sativum		
Molecular weight	194.1 Daltons		
Purity of the new chemical substance used for the test (%)	100%		
Lot number of the new chemical substance used for the test	41590		
Names and contents of impurities	n/a		
Solubility in water	100%		
Properties at room temperature	Clear to Slightly Hazy Liquid		
Stability	DO NOT FREEZE; Store at or near room temperature		
Solubility in solvents, etc.	Solvent	Solubility	Stability in solvent
	n/a	n/a	n/a

Test Materials and Methods:

Items		Contents	
Test Organisms	Species	<i>Daphnia magna</i>	
	Source	Carolina Biological Supply Company	
	Reference substance (EC ₅₀)	Potassium dichromate (0.94 mg/L)	
Culture	Kind of Medium	Elendt Medium M4	
	Conditions (Temperature/Photoperiod)	20°C/16 Hour Light-8 Hour Dark	
Test Conditions	Test Vessel	Glass	
	Material Water	Kind	Elendt Medium M4
		Hardness	250 mg/L
		pH	7.4
	Date of Exposure	07/06/2015	
	Test Concentrations	200, 90.9, 41.3, 18.8, 8.5 mg/L	
	Number of organisms	120	
	Number of Replicates	Exposure Group	4
		Control Group	4
	Test Solution Volume	2 mL	
	Vehicle	Use or Not	N/A
		Kind	N/A
		Concentration	N/A
		Number of Replicates	N/A
	Culture Method (Static, Semi-Static, Flow-Through)	Static	
	Water Temperature	20°C ± 2°C	
	Dissolved Oxygen Concentration (DO)	3 mg/L	
Photoperiod	16 Hour Light-8 Hour Dark		
Statistical Method	Probit Analysis		



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Test Results:

Items		Contents
Toxicity Value	48hr EC50	892.5 mg/L
Exposure Concentrations Used for Calculation	Nominal Values	200, 90.9, 41.3, 18.8, 8.5 mg/L
Remarks		Not harmful to aquatic organisms

Discussion

After 48 hours, the EC50 value for **SynerCide Asian Fusion** was determined to be 892.5 mg/L. The conditions of OECD guideline 202 for the validity of the test were adhered to: The immobility of controls in purified drinking water (dilution water) did not exceed 10%. According to the EU Directive 93/67/EEC, this product is not classified and therefore not harmful to aquatic organisms.

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Ready Biodegradability: CO₂ Evolution (Modified Sturm Test)

Introduction

A study was conducted to assess the readily biodegradability of **SynerCide Asian Fusion** in an aerobic aqueous medium. In the OECD guideline 301 for ready biodegradability, six methods are provided as options. This report uses method B, CO₂ Evolution, also known as a Modified Sturm Test. This method was chosen based on the solubility, volatility, and adsorbing capabilities of the test sample.

Assay Principle

A solution or suspension of the test substance in a mineral medium is inoculated and incubated under aerobic conditions in the dark or in diffuse light. The amount of DOC (Dissolved Organic Carbon) in the test solution due to the inoculum should be kept as low as possible compared to the amount of organic carbon due to the test substance. Allowance is made for the endogenous activity of the inoculum by running parallel blanks with inoculum but without test substance. A reference compound is run in parallel to check the procedures' operation.

In general, degradation is followed by the determination of parameters such as DOC, carbon dioxide production, and oxygen uptake. Measurements are taken at sufficiently frequent intervals to allow the identification of the beginning and end of biodegradation.

Normally this test lasts for 28 days, but it may be ended before that time if the biodegradation curve reaches a plateau for at least three determinations. Tests may also be prolonged beyond 28 days when the curve shows that biodegradation has started but the plateau has not yet been reached. In such cases the test substance would not be classified as readily biodegradable.

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The pass levels for ready biodegradability are 70% removal of DOC and 60% of ThOD (Theoretical Oxygen Demand) or ThCO₂ (Theoretical Carbon Dioxide) production for respirometric methods. They are lower in the respirometric methods since, as some of the carbon from the test chemical is incorporated into new cells, the percentage of CO₂ produced is lower than the percentage of carbon being used. These pass values have to be reached in a 10-day window within the 28-day period of the test. The 10-day window begins when the degree of biodegradation has reached 10% DOC, ThOD, or ThCO₂ and must end before day 28 of the test. Test substances which reach the pass levels after the 28-day period are not deemed to be readily biodegradable.

In order to check the procedure, reference compounds which meet the criteria for ready biodegradability are tested by setting up an appropriate vessel in parallel as part of normal test runs. Suitable compounds are freshly distilled aniline, sodium acetate, and sodium benzoate. These compounds all degrade in this method even when no inoculum is deliberately added.

Because of the nature of biodegradation and of the mixed bacterial populations used as inocula, determinations should be carried out at least in duplicate. It is usually found that the larger the concentration of microorganisms initially added to the test medium, the smaller the variation between replicates.

Materials

- Water
 - Deionized or distilled, free from inhibitory concentrations of toxic substances
 - Must contain no more than 10% of the organic carbon content introduced by the test material
 - Use only one batch of water for each series of tests
- Mineral media
 - To prepare the mineral medium, mix 10 mL of solution A with 800 mL water. Then add 1 mL each of solutions B, C, and D and make up to 1 liter with water.
 - Solution A (Dissolve in water and make up to 1 liter; pH 7.4)
 - Potassium dihydrogen orthophosphate, KH₂PO₄.....8.5g
 - Dipotassium hydrogen orthophosphate, K₂HPO₄.....21.8g
 - Disodium hydrogen orthophosphate dehydrate, Na₂HPO₄·2H₂O.....33.4g
 - Ammonium chloride, NH₄Cl.....0.5g
 - Solution B (Dissolve in water and make up to 1 liter)
 - Calcium chloride, anhydrous, CaCl₂.....27.50g
 - Or
 - Calcium chloride dehydrate, CaCl₂·2H₂O.....36.40g
 - Solution C (Dissolve in water and make up to 1 liter)
 - Magnesium sulphate heptahydrate, MgSO₄·7H₂O..... 22.50g
 - Solution D (Dissolve in water and make up to 1 liter.)
 - Iron (III) chloride hexahydrate, FeCl₃·6H₂O.....0.25g
 - Flasks, 2-5 liters each, fitted with aeration tubes reaching nearly to the bottoms of the vessels and an outlet
 - Magnetic stirrers
 - Gas absorption bottles
 - Device for controlling and measuring air flow
 - Apparatus for carbon dioxide scrubbing, for preparation of air which is free from carbon dioxide; alternatively, a mixture of CO₂-free oxygen and CO₂-free nitrogen from gas cylinders in the correct proportions (20% O₂ : 80% N₂)
 - Device for determination of carbon dioxide, either titrimetrically or by some form of inorganic carbon analyzer

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- Stock solutions of test substances
 - When solubility of the substance exceeds 1 g/L, dissolve 1-10 g, as appropriate, of test or reference substance in water and make up to 1 liter. Otherwise, prepare stock solutions in mineral medium or add the chemical directly to the mineral medium, making sure it
- Inoculum
 - The inoculum may be derived from the following sources
 - Activated sludge
 - Sewage effluents
 - Surface waters
 - Soils
 - Or from a mixture of these.
 - Inoculum may be pre-conditioned to the experimental conditions, but not pre-adapted to the test substance. Pre-conditioning consists of aerating activated sludge in mineral medium or secondary effluent for 5-7 days at the test temperature. Pre-conditioning sometimes improves the precision of the test method by reducing blank values.

Methods

- I. Preparation of flasks: As an example, the following volumes and weights indicate the values for 5-liter flasks containing 3 liters of suspension. If smaller volumes are used, modify the values accordingly.
 - a. To each 5-liter flask, add 2,400 mL mineral medium.
 - b. Add an appropriate volume of the prepared activated sludge to give a concentration of suspended solids of not more than 30 mg/L in the final 3 liters of inoculated mixture. Alternatively, first dilute the prepared sludge to give a suspension of 500-1000 mg/L in the mineral medium before adding an aliquot to the contents of the 5-liter flask to attain a concentration of 30 mg/L.
 - c. Aerate these inoculated mixtures with CO₂-free air overnight to purge the system of carbon dioxide.
 - d. Add the test material and reference compound, separately, as known volumes of stock solutions, to replicate flasks to yield concentrations, contributed by the added chemicals, of 10 – 20 mg DOC or TOC per liter. Leave some flasks without addition of chemicals as inoculum controls. Add poorly soluble test substances directly to the flasks on a weight or volume basis. Make up the volumes of suspensions in all flasks to 3 liters by the addition of mineral medium previously aerated with CO₂-free air.
 - e. If required, use one flask to check the possible inhibitory effect of the test substance by adding both the test and reference substances at the same concentrations as present in the other flasks.
 - f. If required, check whether the test substance is degraded abiotically by using a sterilized uninoculated solution of the chemical. Sterilize by the addition of a toxic substance at an appropriate concentration.
 - g. If barium hydroxide is used, connect three absorption bottles, each containing 100 mL of 0.0125M barium hydroxide solution, in series to each 5-liter flask. The solution must be free of precipitated sulfate and carbonate and its strength must be determined immediately before use.
 - h. If sodium hydroxide is used, connect two traps, the second acting as a control to demonstrate that all the carbon dioxide was absorbed in the first. Absorption bottles fitted with serum bottle closures are suitable. Add 200 mL 0.05M sodium hydroxide to each bottle. This is sufficient to absorb the total quantity of carbon dioxide evolved when the test substance is completely degraded.
 - i. In a typical run, the following flasks are used:
 - i. Flasks 1 & 2: containing test substance and inoculum (test suspension)
 - ii. Flasks 3 & 4: containing only inoculum (inoculum blank)
 - iii. Flask 5: containing reference compound and inoculum (procedure control)
 - iv. Flask 6: containing test substance and sterilizing agent (abiotic sterile control)
 - v. Flask 7: containing test substance, reference compound and inoculum (toxicity control)

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- II. Start the test by bubbling CO₂-free air through the suspensions at a rate of 30-100 mL/minute.
- III. CO₂ Determination
 - a. It is mandatory to follow the CO₂ evolution from the test suspensions and inoculum blanks in parallel and it is advisable to do the same for the other test vessels.
 - b. During the first ten days it is recommended that analyses of CO₂ should be made every second or third day and then at least every fifth day until the 28th day so that the 10-day window period can be identified. On the days of CO₂ measurement, disconnect the barium hydroxide absorber closest to the test vessel and titrate the hydroxide solution with 0.05M HCl using phenolphthalein as the indicator. Move the remaining absorbers one place closer to the test vessel and place a new absorber containing 100 mL fresh 0.0125M barium hydroxide at the far end of the series. Make titrations are needed (for example, when substantial precipitation is seen in the first trap and before any is evident in the second, or at least weekly). Alternatively, with NaOH as absorbent, withdraw a sample of the sodium hydroxide solution from the absorber nearest to the test vessel using a syringe. The sample volume needed will depend on the carbon analyzer used, but sampling should not significantly change the absorbent volume over the test period. Inject the sample into the IC part of the carbon analyzer for analysis of evolved carbon dioxide directly. Analyze the contents of the second trap only at the end of the test in order to correct for any carry-over of carbon dioxide.
 - c. On the 28th day withdraw samples, optionally, for DOC and/or specific chemical analysis. Add 1 mL of concentrated hydrochloric acid to each test vessel and aerate them overnight to drive off the carbon dioxide present in the test suspensions. On day 29 make the last analysis of evolved carbon dioxide.

Data and Reporting

- I. Treatment of Results
 - a. Data from the test should be entered onto the data sheet below.
 - b. The amount of CO₂ produced is calculated from the amount of base remaining in the absorption bottle. When 0.0125M Ba(OH)₂ is used as the absorbent, the amount remaining is assessed by titrating with 0.05M HCl.
 - c. Since 1 mmol of CO₂ is produced for every mol of Ba(OH)₂ reacted to BaCl₂ and 2 mmol of HCl are needed for the titration of the remaining Ba(OH)₂ and given that the molecular weight of CO₂ is 44 g, the weight of CO₂ produced (in mg) is calculated by:

$$\frac{0.05 \times (50 - mL\ HCl\ Titrated) \times 44}{2} = 1.1 \times (50 - mL\ HCl\ Titrated)$$

Therefore, the factor to convert volume of HCl titrated to mg CO₂ produced is 1.1 in this case. Calculate the weights of CO₂ produced from the inoculum alone and from the inoculum plus test substance using the respective titration values. The difference is the weight of CO₂ produced from the test substance alone.

- d. The percentage biodegradation is calculated from:

$$\% \text{ Degradation} = \frac{\text{mg } CO_2 \text{ Produced}}{\text{Th}CO_2 \times \text{mg Test Substance Added}} \times 100$$

Or

$$\% \text{ Degradation} = \frac{\text{mg } CO_2 \text{ Produced}}{\text{mg TOC Added in Test} \times 3.67} \times 100$$

Where 3.67 is the conversion factor $\left(\frac{44}{12}\right)$ for carbon to carbon dioxide

- e. When NaOH is used as the absorbent, calculate the amount of CO_2 produced after any time interval from the concentration of inorganic carbon and the volume of absorbent used. Calculate the percentage degradation from:

$$\% \text{ Th}CO_2 = \frac{\text{mg IC from Test Flask} - \text{mg IC from Blank}}{\text{mg TOC Added as Test Substances}} \times 100$$

- f. Display the course of degradation graphically and indicate the 10-day window. Calculate and report the percentage removal achieved at the plateau, at the end of the test, and/or at the end of the 10-day window, whichever is appropriate.
- g. When appropriate, calculate DOC removals using the equation given in 301 A paragraph 27.
- h. When an abiotic control is used, calculate the percentage abiotic degradation by:

$$\% \text{ Abiotic Degradation} = \frac{\text{CO}_2 \text{ Produced by Sterile Flask After 28 Days (mg)}}{\text{Th}CO_2 \text{ (mg)}} \times 100$$

Validity of Tests

- i. The IC content of the test substance suspension in the mineral medium at the beginning of the test must be less than 5% of the TC, and the total CO_2 evolution in the inoculum blank at the end of the test should not normally exceed 40 mg/L medium. If values greater than 70 mg CO_2 /L are obtained, the data and experimental technique should be examined critically.

Data Sheet

Laboratory	Active Concepts Tissue Culture Laboratory		
Test Start Date	7/6/2015		
Test Substance	Name	SynerCide Asian Fusion	
	Stock Solution Concentration	2 g/L	
	Initial Concentration in Medium	20 mg/L	
Inoculum	Source	Activated Sludge	
	Treatment Given	Centrifugation	
	Pre-conditioning	N/A	
	Suspended Solids Concentration in Reaction Mixture	4 mg/L	
Reference Material	Sodium Benzoate	Concentration	20 mg/L
CO₂ Production and Degradability	Method	Ba(OH)₂	0.0125M
		NaOH	N/A
		Other	N/A
Total Contact Time	28 Days		
Total CO₂ Evolved Measurements	Days	2, 4, 11, 17, 23, 28	
Degradation Over Time	84.3% and 81.5% after 28 days		
Remarks	Test material was readily biodegradable		
Conclusion	This test met the criteria for a valid assay		

Discussion

Based on the testing conducted in accordance with the specified test method, **Synercide Asian Fusion** achieved 82.9% biodegradation after 28 days of testing. The product met method requirements for the Readily Biodegradable classification.



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ALLERGEN DECLARATION

RE: *SynerCide Asian Fusion (M17001)*

Please be advised that this form is to certify that the above referenced product, manufactured at Active Micro Technologies, LLC, does not contain any of the allergens listed below:

Eggs – or egg products

Milk – or milk products (includes whey, lactose, casein, milk, cream)

Peanuts – or peanut products

Fish – (includes fish (surimi, cod, pollack, whitefish)

Shellfish – (shrimp, lobster, crab, clams, etc.)

Soybeans – or soybean products (includes soya powder, protein, oil, lecithin, tofu)

Wheat – or wheat products (includes Gluten)

Tree nuts – (almond, brazil nut, cashew, chestnut, hazelnut, filbert, pine nuts (pinyon, pinon), pistachio, pecan, macadamia, walnut).

Palm Oil – or palm kernel oil

Corn – or corn products

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Heavy Metals Statement

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May 10, 2016

To Whom It May Concern,

This letter is to certify that SynerCide Asian Fusion (M17001) has the following heavy metals profile:

Heavy Metals:	Less than 20 ppm
Lead:	Less than 10 ppm
Antimony:	Less than 5 ppm
Arsenic:	Less than 2 ppm
Mercury:	Less than 1 ppm
Cadmium:	Less than 1 ppm

****Please note:** The above levels illustrate the Maximum Limits. Values for Lead, Antimony, Mercury and Cadmium do not appear on the Specification for SynerCide Asian Fusion.

Best Regards,

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Certificate of Origin

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Active Micro Technologies, LLC certifies that all raw material(s) used to manufacture the above listed ingredient originate in the United States of America.

Active Micro Technologies, LLC certifies that all raw material(s) used to manufacture the above listed ingredient are prepared from non-GMO organisms and are BSE/TSE Free.

Active Micro Technologies, LLC certifies the below sources for each item listed in our INCI Name:

<u>INCI Name</u>	<u>Source</u>
Hexylene Glycol	Synthetic
Caprylyl Glycol	Synthetic
Wasabia Japonica Root Extract	Plant (<i>Wasabia japonica</i>)
Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract	Plant (<i>Zingiber officinale</i>)
Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract	Plant (<i>Allium sativum</i>)
Water	Water

Active Micro Technologies, LLC certifies that the above listed ingredient can be classified as Vegan Compliant.

Active Micro Technologies, LLC certifies that the above listed ingredient has never been tested on animals.



Safety Data Sheet

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SECTION 1. IDENTIFICATION

Product Name/Identifier	SynerCide Asian Fusion
Product Code	M17001
Recommended Use	Topical Cosmetic Use; Antimicrobial
Restrictions on Use	None
Supplier/Manufacturing Site	Active Micro Technologies, LLC
Address	107 Technology Drive Lincolnton, NC 28092, USA
Telephone No. (24hrs)	1-704-276-7100
Fax No.	1-704-276-7101
Emergency Telephone #	1-704-276-7100 (Mon-Fri: 8:00AM – 5:00PM EST)

SECTION 2. HAZARD(S) IDENTIFICATION

Classification:

GHS / CLP

Basis for Classification: Based on present data no classification and labeling is required according to GHS, taking into account the national implementation (United Nations version 2011)

USA

OSHA Regulatory Status: This material is non-hazardous as defined by the American OSHA Hazard Communication Standard (29 CFR 1910.1200).

Europe

Basis for Classification:
-According to present data no classification and labeling is required according to Directives 67/548/EEC or 1999/45/EC.
-This product is not classified as hazardous to health or environment according to the CLP regulation.

Labeling Elements:

Pictograph: No hazard symbol expected

Hazard statements/Signal Word: Not applicable

Precautionary statements:
P233: Keep container tightly closed
P281: Use personal protective equipment as required
P402: Store in a dry place
P404: Store in a closed container
P410: Protect from sunlight
P411: Store at temperatures not exceeding 25°C

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Other hazards which do not result in classification:

No particular fire or explosion hazard.

By mechanical effect: No particular hazards.

By hydrosopic effect: No particular hazards.

US NFPA 704 (National Fire Protection Association) Hazard Rating System:

Health hazard: Rating 0; Normal Material

Flammability: Rating 0, Will Not Burn

Reactivity: Rating 0, Stable

Other Hazard Information: None

Results of PBT and vPvB assessment:

-PBT: Not applicable

-vPvB: Not applicable

SECTION 3. COMPOSITION / INFORMATION ON INGREDIENTS

Common Chemical Name: Hexylene Glycol & Caprylyl Glycol & Wasabia Japonica Root Extract & Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract & Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract & Water

Generic name:

Chemical Family: Plant Extract

Description: Mixture: consisting of the following components. This section describes all components of the mixture

<u>Substance</u>	<u>CAS Numbers</u>	<u>EC Numbers</u>	<u>Percentage</u>
Hexylene Glycol	107-41-5	203-489-0	28.00 – 32.00%
Caprylyl Glycol	1117-86-8	214-254-7	12.00 – 17.00%
Wasabia Japonica Root Extract	999999-99-4	310-127-6	12.00 – 17.00%
Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract	84696-15-1	283-634-2	12.00 – 17.00%
Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract	8008-99-9	232-371-1	12.00 – 17.00%
Water	7732-18-5	231-791-2	8.00 – 12.00%

Formula: Not applicable

SECTION 4. FIRST-AID MEASURES

General: In all cases of doubt, or when symptoms persist, seek medical attention.

Inhalation: Move to fresh air from exposure area. Get medical attention for any breathing difficulty.

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Skin contact:	Rinse with soap and water. Get medical advice if irritation develops.
Eye contact:	Immediately rinse with water for at least 15 minutes, while keeping the eyes wide open. Consult with a physician.
Ingestion:	Consult with a physician.
Protection of first-aiders:	No special protection required.

SECTION 5. FIRE-FIGHTING MEASURES

Fire and explosion hazards:	Not considered to be a fire and explosion hazard
Extinguishing media:	
Suitable:	Water, dry chemicals, foam & carbon dioxide.
Not suitable:	None known
Fire fighting:	Move container from fire area if it can be done without risk. Avoid inhalation of material or combustion by-products. Stay upwind and keep out of low area
Protection for fire-fighters:	Boots, gloves, goggles.

SECTION 6. ACCIDENTAL RELEASE MEASURES

Personal precautions:	Avoid contact with eyes. Personal Protective Equipment: -Protective goggles
Environmental precautions:	Prevent entry into sewers and waterways. Do not allow material to contaminate ground water system
Methods for cleaning up:	
Recovery:	Pick up free liquid for recycling or disposal. Residual liquid can be absorbed on an inert material.
Cleaning/Decontamination:	Wash non-recoverable remainder with water.
Disposal:	For disposal of residues refer to sections 8 & 13.

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SECTION 7. HANDLING AND STORAGE

Handling

Technical measures: Labeling: Keep out of the reach of children.
Measures: For industrial use, only as directed.
Safe handling advice: Wash hands after use. Avoid storage near feed or food stuff.

Storage

Technical measures: Keep container closed.
Recommended Storage Conditions: Store in a cool, dry place. This product should be stored at room temperature (23 - 25°C). It should not be exposed to excessive heat or cold. Do not freeze.

Incompatible products: Avoid contact with strong oxidizers.
Refer to the detailed list of incompatible materials (Section 10 Stability/Reactivity)

Packaging: Product may be packaged in normal commercial packaging.
Packaging materials: Recommended - Polypropylene & High Density Polyethylene

SECTION 8. EXPOSURE CONTROLS / PERSONAL PROTECTION

Precautionary statements: Ensure adequate ventilation

Control parameters

Occupational exposure Limits:

France: Not Determined
ACGIH: Not Determined
Korea: Not Determined
UK: Not Determined

Surveillance procedures: Not Determined
Engineering measures: Not Determined

Personal Protective Equipment:

Respiratory protection: Local exhaust
Hand protection: Protective gloves made of rubber or neoprene.
Eye protection: Safety glasses.
Collective emergency equipment: Eye fountain.
Skin and Body Protection: Suitable protective clothing
Hygiene measures: Handle in accordance with good industrial hygiene and safety practice.

Measures related to the Environment: No particular measures.



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SECTION 9. PHYSICAL AND CHEMICAL PROPERTIES

Appearance:	Clear to hazy liquid
Color:	Yellow to light amber
Odor:	Characteristic
Specific Gravity (25°C):	0.970 – 1.020
Refractive Index (25°C):	1.3960 – 1.4040
Heavy Metals:	< 20 ppm
Arsenic:	< 2 ppm
Vapor density:	Not applicable
Boiling Point:	Not determined
Freezing Point:	Not determined
Melting point:	Not applicable
Flash point:	> 200°F
Oxidizing properties:	Non oxidizing material according to EC criteria.
Solubility:	
In water:	Soluble
In organic solvents:	Not determined
Log P:	Not determined

SECTION 10. STABILITY AND REACTIVITY

Stability:	Stable under ordinary conditions of use and storage up to one year then re-test to full product specifications to extend shelf life
Hazardous reactions:	None known
Conditions to avoid:	No dangerous reactions known under use of normal conditions. Avoid extreme heat.
Materials to avoid:	No dangerous reaction known with common products.
Hazardous decomposition products:	None known

SECTION 11. TOXICOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ingestion:	Not Determined
Dermal:	Non-Irritant (Dermal Irritation Model)
Ocular:	Non-Irritant (Ocular Irritation Model)
Inhalation:	Not Determined

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Acute toxicity data: EC50 (Acute Daphnia): 892.5 mg/L - Not harmful to aquatic organisms

Sensitization: Non-Primary Sensitizer (In-Vitro Skin Sensitization Report & Direct Peptide Reactivity Assay)

Repeated dose toxicity: No known effects

Subacute to chronic toxicity: Not Determined

Mutagenicity/genotoxicity: Non-mutagenic

Additional Toxicological Information: This product is not subject to classification according to the calculation method of the General EU Classification Guidelines for Preparations as issued in the latest version.

Specific effects:

Carcinogenicity: No known effects

Mutagenicity: No known effects

Reproductive toxicity: No known effects

Neuro-toxicity: No known effects

For more information: Does not present any particular risk on handling under normal conditions of good occupational hygiene practice.

This product has not been tested for the following:

-Primary cutaneous and corrosive irritation

-Acute oral toxicity

SECTION 12. ECOLOGICAL INFORMATION

Ecotoxicity

Effects on the aquatic environment: Not Determined

Biodegradability:

Persistence: Readily Biodegradable

Bioaccumulation:

Octanol / water partition coefficient: Not Determined

Mobility:

Precipitation:

Expected behavior of the product: Ultimate destination of the product: Soil & sediment.

Other Adverse Effects: None known



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SECTION 13. DISPOSAL CONSIDERATIONS

Residues from product

Prohibition: Do not allow the product to be released into the Environment.
Destruction/Disposal: Dispose of in accordance with relevant local regulations

Contaminated packaging

Decontamination/cleaning: Cleaning is not required prior to disposal.
Destruction/Disposal:

Note: Take all necessary precautions when disposing of this product according to local regulations.

SECTION 14. TRANSPORT INFORMATION

UN Number: None
UN Shipping Name: None
Transport Hazard Class: Not classified as dangerous for transport

Land (rail/road): Material is not restrictive for land transport and is not regulated by ADR/RID
Sea: Material is not restrictive for sea transport and is not regulated by IMO/IMDG
Air: Material is not restrictive for land transport and is not regulated by ICA/IATA

Marine Pollutant: No

Transport/Additional Information: Not regulated for US DOT Transport in non-bulk containers
This material is not dangerous or hazardous

Special Precautions for User: None known

The above regulatory prescriptions are those valid on the date of publication of this sheet. However, given the possible evolution of transport regulations for hazardous materials and in the event of the MSDS in your possession dating back more than 12 months, it is advisable to check their validity with your sales office.

SECTION 15. REGULATORY INFORMATION

Labeling:
EC regulations: This product does not need to be labeled in accordance with EC Directives or respective national laws

Further regulations

United Kingdom: Handle in accordance with relevant British regulation: control of substance Hazardous to Health Regulations Environmental Hygiene Guidance: EH40
Workplace Exposure Limits (revised annually)

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Korea regulations: Industrial safety and hygiene regulation: No
Hazardous material control regulation: No
Fire prevention regulation: No

Other regulations:

EINECS inventory status:	Hexylene Glycol:	203-489-0
	Caprylyl Glycol:	214-254-7
	Wasabia Japonica Root Extract:	310-127-6
	Zingiber Officinale Root Extract:	283-634-2
	Allium Sativum Bulb Extract:	232-371-1
	Aqua:	231-791-2
TSCA inventory status:	Exempt	
AICS inventory status:	Exempt: Wasabia Japonica Root Extract Listed: 107-41-5 & 1117-86-8 & 84696-15-1 & 8008-99-9 & 7732-18-5	
Canadian (CEPA DSL) inventory status:	Exempt: Wasabia Japonica Root Extract Listed as 2,4-Pentenediol, 2-methyl- (DSL) & Octane-1,2-diol (DSL) & Ginger, ext. (DSL) & Garlic, ext. (DSL) & Water (DSL)	
Japan (MITI list):	Hexylene Glycol & Caprylyl Glycol & Wasabia Japonica Root Extract & Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract & Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract & Water	
Korea:	Hexylene Glycol & Caprylyl Glycol & Wasabia Japonica Root Extract & Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract & Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract & Water	
China inventory status:	Hexylene Glycol & Caprylyl Glycol & Wasabia Japonica Root Extract & Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract & Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract & Water	
Philippines inventory status:	Exempt: Wasabia Japonica Root Extract Not Listed: Caprylyl Glycol (1117-86-8) Listed as 2,4-Pentenediol, 2-methyl- & Ginger, ext. & Garlic, ext. & Water	

*Listed on 2010 INCI Standard Chinese Name Directory

Note: The regulatory information given above only indicates the principal regulations specifically applicable to the products described in this sheet. The user's attention is drawn to the possible existence of additional provision which complete these regulations. Please refer to all applicable international, national and local regulations and provisions

SECTION 16. OTHER INFORMATION

Prohibited uses: For specific uses, food industry, ask the manufacturer for more information.

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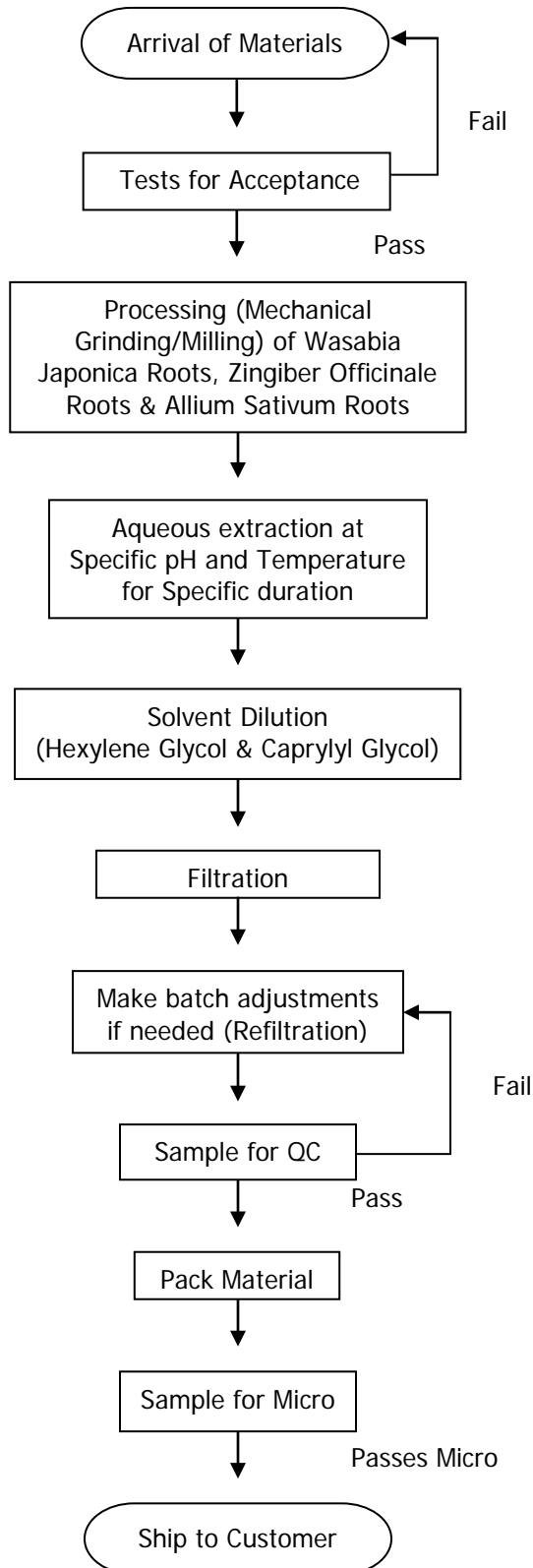
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MSDS summary of changes

- New Logo
- Added Precautionary Statements - Section 2 (Hazards Identification),
Added Heavy Metals & Arsenic – Section 9 (Physical & Chemical Properties)
& Updated Transport Information – Section 14 (Transport Information)
- Added Mutagenicity Details – Section 11 (Toxicological Information)
- Added Acute Toxicity Data & Sensitization Data – Section 1 (Toxicological
Information) & Added Biodegradability Data – Section 12 (Ecological
Information)

The information given is based on our knowledge of this product, at the time of publication in good faith. The attention of the user is drawn to the possible risks incurred by using the product for any other purpose other than which it was intended. This is not in any way excuse the user from knowing and applying all the regulations governing their activity. It is sole responsibility of the user to take all precautions required in handling the product. The purpose of mandatory regulation mentioned is to help the user to fulfill his obligations regarding the use of products. This information is not exhaustive, this is not exonerate the user from ensuring that legal obligations other than those mentioned, relating to the use and storage.



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SynerCide Asian Fusion Certificate of Compliance

Code: M17001
INCI Name: Hexylene Glycol & Caprylyl Glycol & Wasabia Japonica Root Extract & Zingiber Officinale (Ginger) Root Extract & Allium Sativum (Garlic) Bulb Extract & Water
INCI Status: Approved
CAS #: 107-41-5 & 1117-86-8 & 999999-99-4 & 84696-15-1 & 8008-99-9 & 7732-18-5
EINECS #: 203-489-0 & 214-254-7 & 310-127-6 & 283-634-2 & 232-371-1 & 231-791-2

The following information on regulatory clearances is believed to be accurate and is given in good faith as a guide to a global use of our ingredients in cosmetic applications. No representation or warranty as to its competences or accuracy is made. Information is offered for use in general cosmetic applications and may vary in particular applications. Users are responsible for determining the suitability of these products for their own particular use. All regulatory decisions should be made on the advice of your regulatory group or legal counsel.

Country / Regulatory Body	Status of Product
EU (REACH)	Compliant
USA (TSCA)	Exempt
Australia (AICS)	Compliant
Japan (METI)	Compliant
Canada (DSL)	Compliant
China (IECSC)	Compliant
Brazil	Compliant
Korea (KECI)	Compliant
Philippines (PICCS)	Contact Us



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Attention must be paid to the use of SynerCide Asian Fusion in the equivalent of OTC formulations (eg. quasi-drugs in Japan, or therapeutic goods in Australia). Some countries maintain restricted inventories of raw materials that can be used in those applications so more detailed guidance may be required.

SynerCide Asian Fusion and its components and impurities are in compliance with the rules governing cosmetic products in the European Union (Directive 76/768/ECC & Regulation No. 1223/2009). The recommended use levels for SynerCide Asian Fusion is 1.00 – 2.00%.

SynerCide Asian Fusion is considered a non-hazardous material. All significant toxicological routes of absorption have been considered as well as the systemic effects and margin of safety (MoS) based on a no observed adverse effects level (NOAEL). Due to the restriction placed on animal testing of cosmetic raw materials, and Active Micro Technologies, LLC's internal non-animal testing policy, this product was not tested for NOAEL.

SynerCide Asian Fusion was tested using *in vitro* dermal and ocular irritation models. This product was found to be non-irritating in both models.

To our knowledge the above material is free of CMR (*) substances, as defined according to Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008 and Cosmetic Regulation (EC) No 1223/2009 as amended.

(*) Carcinogenic, Mutagenic, toxic for Reproduction

Active Micro Technologies, LLC certifies that to the best of our knowledge our product does not contain any material listed on California Proposition 65.

Active Micro Technologies, LLC certifies that SynerCide Asian Fusion does not contain any materials prohibited by Halal laws.

SynerCide Asian Fusion is REACH Compliant and free of the following:

- Formaldehyde or formaldehyde donors
- Gluten
- Lactose
- Nanoparticles
- Nitrosamines
- Palm oil/palm kernel oil (or derivatives)
- Parabens
- Paraffin
- Phthalates
- Residual solvents
- Sulfates
- Volatile organic compounds

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Raw Component Regulations

Please note that the below are global regulations for the raw materials used to manufacture SynerCide Asian Fusion and are not for the product itself.

SynerCide Asian Fusion contains 28.00 – 32.00% Hexylene Glycol. See below for a list of regulations:

Hexylene Glycol:

- **USA: Safe up to 6.00%**

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