

Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE) and Differential Pressure (Delta P) Final Report

Test Article: Surgical Face Mask LOT: 17062015
Study Number: 986332-S01
Study Received Date: 28 Aug 2017
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Test Procedure(s): Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0004 Rev 14

Summary: The BFE test is performed to determine the filtration efficiency of test articles by comparing the bacterial control counts upstream of the test article to the bacterial counts downstream. A suspension of *Staphylococcus aureus* was aerosolized using a nebulizer and delivered to the test article at a constant flow rate and fixed air pressure. The challenge delivery was maintained at $1.7 - 2.7 \times 10^3$ colony forming units (CFU) with a mean particle size (MPS) of $3.0 \pm 0.3 \mu\text{m}$. The aerosols were drawn through a six-stage, viable particle, Andersen sampler for collection. This test method complies with ASTM F2101-14 and EN 14683:2014, Annex B.

The Delta P test is performed to determine the breathability of test articles by measuring the differential air pressure on either side of the test article using a manometer, at a constant flow rate. The Delta P test was designed to comply with MIL-M-36954C, Section 4.4.1.2 and complies with EN 14683:2014, Annex C.

All test method acceptance criteria were met. Testing was performed in compliance with US FDA good manufacturing practice (GMP) regulations 21 CFR Parts 210, 211 and 820.

Test Side: Inside
BFE Test Area: $\sim 40 \text{ cm}^2$
BFE Flow Rate: 28.3 Liters per minute (L/min)
Delta P Flow Rate: 8 L/min
Conditioning Parameters: $85 \pm 5\%$ relative humidity (RH) and $21 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ for a minimum of 4 hours
Test Article Dimensions: $\sim 170 \text{ mm} \times \sim 170 \text{ mm}$
Positive Control Average: 1.7×10^3 CFU
Negative Monitor Count: < 1 CFU
MPS: $2.8 \mu\text{m}$



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Results:

Test Article Number	Percent BFE (%)	Delta P (mm H ₂ O/cm ²)	Delta P (Pa/cm ²)
1	99.8	2.6	25.2
2	99.8	2.6	25.7
3	99.6	2.6	25.8
4	99.5	2.8	27.6
5	99.6	2.4	23.6

The filtration efficiency percentages were calculated using the following equation:

$$\% BFE = \frac{C - T}{C} \times 100$$

C = Positive control average

T = Plate count total recovered downstream of the test article

Note: The plate count total is available upon request

Flammability of Clothing Textiles Final Report

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 Test Procedure(s): Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0073 Rev 06

Summary: This procedure was performed to evaluate the flammability of plain surface clothing textiles by measuring the ease of ignition and the speed of flame spread. The parameter of time is used to separate materials into different classes, thereby assisting in a judgment of fabric suitability for clothing and protective clothing material. The test procedure was performed in accordance with the test method outlined in 16 CFR Part 1610 (a) *Step 1 - testing in the original state. Step 2 - Refurbishing and testing after refurbishing*, was not performed. All test method acceptance criteria were met. Testing was performed in compliance with US FDA good manufacturing practice (GMP) regulations 21 CFR Parts 210, 211 and 820.

Test Article Side Tested: Outside Surface
 Orientation: Machine

Test Criteria for Specimen Classification (See 16 CFR Part 1610.7):

Class	Plain Surface Textile Fabric
1	Burn time \geq 3.5 seconds
2	Not applicable to plain surface textile fabrics
3	Burn time $<$ 3.5 seconds

The 16 CFR Part 1610 standard specifies that 10 replicates are to be tested if, during preliminary testing, only 1 test article exhibits flame spread and it is less than 3.5 seconds or the test articles exhibit an average flame spread less than 3.5 seconds. Five replicates are to be tested if no flame spread is observed upon preliminary testing, if only 1 test article exhibits flame spread and it is equal to or greater than 3.5 seconds, or if the average flame spread is equal to or greater than 3.5 seconds. In accordance with the standard, 5 replicates were tested for this study.

Results:

Replicate Number	Time of Flame Spread
1	IBE
2	IBE
3	IBE
4	IBE
5	IBE

IBE = Test Article ignited, but extinguished


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Latex Particle Challenge Final Report

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Test Procedure(s): Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0005 Rev 05

Summary: This procedure was performed to evaluate the non-viable particle filtration efficiency (PFE) of the test article. Monodispersed polystyrene latex spheres (PSL) were nebulized, dried, and passed through the test article. The particles that passed through the test article were enumerated using a laser particle counter.

Three one-minute counts were performed, with the test article in the system, and the results averaged. Three one-minute control counts were performed, without a test article in the system, before and after each test article and the counts were averaged. Control counts were performed to determine the average number of particles delivered to the test article. The filtration efficiency was calculated using the average number of particles penetrating the test article compared to the average of the control values.

The procedure employed the basic particle filtration method described in ASTM F2299, with some exceptions; notably the procedure incorporated a non-neutralized challenge. In real use, particles carry a charge, thus this challenge represents a more natural state. The non-neutralized aerosol is also specified in the FDA guidance document on surgical face masks. All test method acceptance criteria were met. Testing was performed in compliance with US FDA good manufacturing practice (GMP) regulations 21 CFR Parts 210, 211 and 820.

Test Side: Inside
Area Tested: 91.5 cm²
Particle Size: 0.1 µm
Laboratory Conditions: 21°C, 33% relative humidity (RH) at 1103; 22°C, 33% RH at 1334
Average Filtration Efficiency: 99.75%
Standard Deviation: 0.019



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Results:

Test Article Number	Average Test Article Counts	Average Control Counts	Filtration Efficiency (%)
1	32	13,564	99.76
2	35	13,819	99.74
3	33	14,278	99.77
4	36	12,934	99.72
5	28	12,139	99.77

Synthetic Blood Penetration Resistance Final Report

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 Test Procedure(s): Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0012 Rev 07,
 STP0012 Rev 08

Summary: This procedure was performed to evaluate surgical facemasks and other types of protective clothing materials designed to protect against fluid penetration. The purpose of this procedure is to simulate an arterial spray and evaluate the effectiveness of the test article in protecting the user from possible exposure to blood and other body fluids. The distance from the target area surface to the tip of the canula is 30.5 cm. A test volume of 2 mL of synthetic blood was employed using the targeting plate method.

This test method was designed to comply with ASTM F1862 and ISO 22609 (as referenced in EN 14683:2014) with the following exception: ISO 22609 requires testing to be performed in an environment with a temperature of $21 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ and a relative humidity of $85 \pm 10\%$. Instead, testing was performed at ambient conditions within one minute of removal from the environmental chamber held at those parameters.


All test method acceptance criteria were met. Testing was performed in compliance with US FDA good manufacturing practice (GMP) regulations 21 CFR Parts 210, 211 and 820.

Number of Test Articles Tested: 32
 Number of Test Articles Passed: 31
 Test Side: Outside
 Pre-Conditioning: Minimum of 4 hours at $21 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ and $85 \pm 5\%$ relative humidity (RH)
 Test Conditions: 20.4°C and 32% RH

Results: Per ASTM F1862 and ISO 22609, an acceptable quality limit of 4.0% is met for a normal single sampling plan when ≥ 29 of 32 test articles show passing results.

Test Pressure: 160 mmHg (21.3 kPa)

Test Article Number	Synthetic Blood Penetration
1-31	None Seen
32	Yes


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