

Viral Filtration Efficiency (VFE) Final Report

Test Article: Surgical Face Mask
Study Number: 1321260-S01
Study Received Date: 17 Jul 2020
Testing Facility: Nelson Laboratories, LLC
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Salt Lake City, UT 84123 U.S.A.
Test Procedure(s): Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0007 Rev 16
Deviation(s): None

Summary: The VFE test is performed to determine the filtration efficiency of test articles by comparing the viral control counts upstream of the test article to the counts downstream. A suspension of bacteriophage Φ X174 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 $1.1 - 3.3 \times 10^3$ plaque forming units (PFU) with a mean particle size (MPS) of $3.0 \mu\text{m} \pm 0.3 \mu\text{m}$. The aerosol droplets were drawn through a six-stage, viable particle, Andersen sampler for collection. The VFE test procedure was adapted from ASTM F2101.

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
Test Area: $\sim 40 \text{ cm}^2$
VFE Flow Rate: 28.3 Liters per minute (L/min)
Conditioning Parameters: $85 \pm 5\%$ relative humidity (RH) and $21 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ for a minimum of 4 hours
Positive Control Average: 1.3×10^3 PFU
Negative Monitor Count: < 1 PFU
MPS: $2.7 \mu\text{m}$



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Results:

Test Article Number	Percent VFE (%)
1	99.3
2	99.5
3	99.6
4	99.8
5	99.6

The filtration efficiency percentages were calculated using the following equation:

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

C = Positive control average

T = Plate count total recovered downstream of the test article

Note: The plate count total is available upon request

Latex Particle Challenge Final Report

Test Article: Surgical Face Mask
Study Number: 1321256-S01
Study Received Date: 17 Jul 2020
Testing Facility: Nelson Laboratories, LLC
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Test Procedure(s): Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0005 Rev 08
Deviation(s): None

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 (atomized), dried, and passed through the test article. The particles that passed through the test article were enumerated using a laser particle counter.

A one-minute count was performed, with the test article in the system. A one-minute control count was performed, without a test article in the system, before and after each test article. Control counts were performed to determine the average number of particles delivered to the test article. The filtration efficiency was calculated using the number of particles penetrating the test article compared to the average of the control values. During testing and controls, the air flow rate is maintained at 1 cubic foot per minute (CFM) \pm 5%.

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 μ m
Laboratory Conditions: 21°C, 31% relative humidity (RH) at 1048; 21°C, 31% RH at 1210
Average Filtration Efficiency: 99.86%
Standard Deviation: 0.047



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Results:

Test Article Number	Test Article Counts	Average Control Counts	Filtration Efficiency (%)
1	15	11,109	99.86
2	14	10,798	99.87
3	10	11,137	99.910
4	16	11,401	99.86
5	24	10,981	99.78

Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE) Final Report

Test Article: Surgical Face Mask
Study Number: 1321259-S01
Study Received Date: 17 Jul 2020
Testing Facility: Nelson Laboratories, LLC
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Test Procedure(s): Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0004 Rev 18
Deviation(s): None

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 $1.7 - 3.0 \times 10^3$ 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 F2101-19 and EN 14683:2019, Annex B.

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)
Conditioning Parameters: $85 \pm 5\%$ relative humidity (RH) and $21 \pm 5^\circ\text{C}$ for a minimum of 4 hours
Test Article Dimensions: $\sim 175 \text{ mm} \times \sim 170 \text{ mm}$
Positive Control Average: 2.9×10^3 CFU
Negative Monitor Count: < 1 CFU
MPS: $2.9 \mu\text{m}$



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Results:

Test Article Number	Percent BFE (%)
1	99.2
2	99.5
3	99.6
4	99.2
5	99.4

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