

# BIODEGRADABILITY report: VIROCID

#### FL/100702/VIROCID

- Identification of the test laboratory
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- 2. Test

# <u>Legal informations for CEE biodegradability for ingredients concerning VIROCID</u> and internal tests of biodegradability

- 3. Results:
  - Certificate of biodegradability of VIROCID value of tests BOD5-28/COD And the ratio BOD/COD:

VIROCID is "readily biodegradable"

## A-Primary and Ultimate biodegradability

VIROCID is a virocid disinfectant containing different raw materials with non-ionic—anionic surfactants concerned by detergent's Law No. 648/2004.

Primary biodegradability and Ultimate Biodegradability of each raw materials is well known above the norms according the OECD standard 301-302 series ,in conformity with the biodegradability of the European law

We consider with the % of each disinfecting raw material -non ionic surfactants-etc that , our formule has a primary biodegradability more 90% in a period less one month.( common use of biodegradability with the European law).

The biodegradation potential of disinfecting raw materials was evaluated in the OECD 301 protocol .

All the results of each raw material in the OECD 301A pass these criteria and require 70% removal of DOC within the 28 days of the test. (74 to 94%)

#### **B-Internal tests**

The value of BOD5-28 and COD of a scenario test had confirmed the excellent value of ultimate biodegradability of the formula :



We test at 0,1 % the mixtures of VIROCID in a sludge waters with a excess of germs for the biodegradability (a normal concentration after use in the waste waters) (normal conditions for a biocide)

The COD of the mixture was 352 mg O2/g the first day.

After the neutralisation/dilution at pH 7.25 , the  ${\bf COD}$  value was 95 mg/O2 /g In these conditions , the BOD5 of the pure product was 60 mg O2/g ( the first day ). The  ${\bf BOD20}$  was stable after 20 days till 28 days and provides 70 mg O2/g

Thus the **ratio BOD20-28/COD is 0.74 gives a excellent value** of "readily biodegradable product".

The OCDE methods provides that a formulation with a ratio BOD28/COD > 0.6 is a product "readily biodegradable" during the normal period of a test, 28 days

NB: BOD =biological oxygen demand

COD = chemical oxygen demand

### **C-Conclusion**

VIROCID contains dus a serie of biodegradable raw materials and surfactants in accordance with detergent law N°648/2004 and is very biodegradable for the users for the treatment plants and the environment.

We conclude that the BOD evolution > 74 % od COD (28 d) (OECD 301) (aerobic, sludge of river) provides a excellent proof of "readily biodegradability".

This term "readily biodegradability" means that the VIROCID has a primary biodegradability of more 90% after 28 days ( max. length of the test of the OECD methods ) in a sludge water.

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