

# **FINAL REPORT**

### **PROTOCOL**

ISO Method 27447 – Test for Antimicrobial Activity of Photocatalytic Materials (modified)

#### **PRODUCT TESTED**

Antimicrobial Photocatalytic Coatings FN®Coating FN NANO®2 & FN NANO®3 & UV Light Project Number NV2019.01

> EMSL ORDER NUMBER 152003719

### **TESTING LABORATORY**

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## STUDY START DATE

June 17, 2020

### STUDY COMPLETION DATE

July 29, 2020

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# **Certificate of Analysis**

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Project: Efficacy Testing of Photocatalytic coatings using 375nm UV-Light and

Traditional Fluorescent Lighting.

**EMSL NO: 152003719** 

Product: FN®Coating FN NANO®2 & FN NANO®3 photocatalytic coatings & UV

Light - Project Number: NV2019.01

Samples received: 06/17/2020

Report date: 07/29/2020

## Challenge Bacteria:

Methicillin-Resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) (ATCC 33592) *Escherichia coli* (ATCC 25922) *Salmonella enterica* (ATCC 1045)

# **Experimental Summary:**

The testing procedure was designed after discussions between EMSL Analytical, the testing company, and the client, Dominion Environmental Consultants, Inc. The testing procedure follows ISO 27447 with minor modifications requested by the client for their specific product (as detailed below in the method). The testing was conducted on a photocatalytic coating.

### **Test Method:**

**Culture preparation:** One loop of preserved MRSA (ATCC 33592), *E. coli* (ATCC 25922) and *S. enterica* (ATCC1045) were first plated separately onto tryptic soy agar supplemented with sheep blood (TSAB) and incubated at 35°C for 24 hours. A well isolated colony was transferred into tryptic soy broth (TSB) and incubated for 20 hours at 35°C. One loop of the test bacteria was transferred and plated onto TSAB. Two loops of well-isolated colonies were then harvested, suspended in 20 mL of 1/500 TSB. This suspension was diluted with 1/500 TSB and adjusted to ~ 10X10<sup>6</sup> CFU/mL.

*Inoculation of test material:* Dominion Environmental Consultants, Inc. submitted two coatings for testing with photocatalytic properties (FN®Coating FN

NANO®2 & FN NANO®3). Thin, even coatings were applied to glass slides. The samples were prepared for evaluation by brush coating slides.

Individual test and control samples were placed in 47-mm sterile Petri dishes. Each test sample was inoculated with 100  $\mu$ L of bacterial suspension as prepared above. Polystyrene film was cut to fit on the slides and spread the inoculum across the surface. Simultaneously, the control non-coated autoclaved slides were similarly prepared and inoculated. All test samples were incubated at 25°C with 8 hours with UV light on or with no lighting. All tests were performed in triplicate.

To determine the starting population, a 0.1 mL aliquot of the bacterial suspension was placed into 9.9 mL of sterile dilution water. A 1-mL aliquot of this solution was then taken and serially diluted. Dilutions were plated onto aerobic plate count Petrifilm plates to determine starting inoculum populations.

**Recovery of test organism:** The following exposure time points were evaluated: 0 (instantaneous) and 8 hours. After treatment, both test and the control samples were removed and then placed in centrifuge tubes with 20 mL of DE neutralizing broth. The tubes were vortexed for one minute to recover any remaining into suspensions. The suspensions were then serially diluted and plated onto aerobic plate count Petrifilm plates. These plates were incubated at 35°C for 24-48 hours before colonies were counted.

# **Experimental Results:**

Table 1. Efficacy of photocatalytic coatings against MRSA following 8 hour light treatment compared to untreated control (T=8 hr) population counts.

Treatment	CFU per sample (avg of 3)	Log CFU	Log Reduction	Percent Reduction
Lab control Time 0	20,000,000	7.30		
Lab control Time 8 hr	1,100,000	6.04	1.26	94.5
FN2 – no UV control 8 hr	5,600	3.75	2.29	99.5
FN2 – UV 8 hr	1,900	3.27	2.77	99.8
FN3 – no UV control 8 hr	48,000	4.68	1.36	95.7
FN3 – UV 8 hr	18,000	4.26	1.78	98.3



Table 2. Efficacy of photocatalytic coatings against *E. coli* following 8 hour light treatment compared to untreated control (T=8 hr) population counts.

Treatment	CFU per sample (avg of 3)	Log CFU	Log Reduction	Percent Reduction
Lab control Time 0	21,600,000	7.34		
Lab control Time 8 hr	1,800,000	6.25	1.08	91.7
FN2 – no UV control 8 hr	930	2.97	3.28	99.9
FN2 – UV 8 hr	125	2.10	4.16	99.99
FN3 – no UV control 8 hr	3,500	3.54	2.71	99.8
FN3 – UV 8 hr	600	2.78	3.48	99.97

Table 3. Efficacy of photocatalytic coatings against *S. enterica* following 8 hour light treatment compared to untreated control (T=8 hr) population counts.

Treatment	CFU per	Log CFU	Log	Percent
	sample (avg of 3)		Reduction	Reduction
Lab control Time 0	46,000,000	7.66		
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Lab control Time 8 hr	36,300,000	7.56	0.10	21.0
FN2 – no UV control 8 hr	190,000	5.28	2.28	99.5
FN2 – UV 8 hr	124,000	5.09	2.47	99.7
FN3 – no UV control 8 hr	102,000	5.01	2.55	99.7
FN3 – UV 8 hr	49,000	4.69	2.87	99.9

## Conclusions:

The FN2 and FN3 coatings demonstrated antimicrobial properties against MRSA, *E. coli*, and *S. enterica* with greater effect under UV lighting conditions for 8 hours.



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