

CLEANING LABORATORY EVALUATION SUMMARY

SCL #: 2007
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 Experimenters: Jason Marshall
 ClientType: Metal Working
 ProjectNumber: Project #1
 Substrates: Copper, Stainless Steel, Steel
 PartType: Part
 Contaminants: Oil
 Cleaning Methods: Immersion/Soak
 Analytical Methods: Visual

Purpose: To clean supplied parts using drop-in vapor degreasing solvents.

Experimental Procedure: Six drop-in vapor degreasing solvents were selected from the lab's on-line database, www.cleansolutions.org, based on product classification types and past performance on similar contaminants. Each solution was used at full strength at room temperature (68F) in a 300 ml glass beaker. Cleaning lasted for 5 minutes using no agitation. Parts were not rinsed and were air dried at room temperature prior to packaging, roughly 2 minutes. Parts were visually inspected to determine relative effectiveness.

Results: Only two products left any kind of residue behind. Both 3M 7200 and Dow OS 30 left an oily film inside the copper cups. The 3M product left behind the most oil. The other four products cleaned all parts with no visual problems.
 After three days of sitting, observations were made to determine the amount of rusting that has occurred, if any, on the cleaned parts.

Product	Classifications	Observations at 4 days
HFE 7200	Hydrofluoroether (HFE)	Some minor rusting
Lenium CP	n-Propyl Bromide-HFE mix	Minor rust spots
Ensolv	nPB	Some minor rusting
AK 225	Hydro Chloro Fluoro Carbon (HCFC)	No rusting
Vertrel MCA	Hydro Fluoro Carbon (HFC)	No rusting
OS 30	Methyl Siloxane	No rusting

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Substrates:		Copper, Stainless Steel, Steel				
Contaminants:		Oil				
Company Name:	Product Name:	Conc.:	Efficiency:	Effective:	Observations:	
3M	HFE 7200	100		<input type="checkbox"/>		
Petroferm Inc	Lenium CP (no longer available)	100		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Enviro Tech International Inc	Ensolv	100		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
AGA Chemical	AK 225	100		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
DuPont	Vertrel MCA	100		<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>		
Dow Chemical Company	OS 30	100		<input type="checkbox"/>		

Conclusion: Four of the six products were effective in removing the various oils from the different parts that were supplied for cleaning.