

CLEANING LABORATORY EVALUATION SUMMARY

SCL #: 2001
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 Experimenters: Jason Marshall
 ClientType: Electronics Manufacturer
 ProjectNumber: Project #1
 Substrates: Ceramics
 PartType: Coupon
 Contaminants: Abrasive
 Cleaning Methods: Immersion/Soak
 Analytical Methods: Gravimetric
 Purpose: Evaluating cleaners for removal.

Experimental Procedure: Seven cleaners were selected based on previous trial. Solutions were diluted to 5% using DI water in 250 ml beakers. All solutions were heated to 120 F on a hot plate. Twenty-one preweighed coupons were coated with the supplied slurry using a hand held swab and allowed to dry for 2 hours. These coupons were then weighed again. Three coupons were immersed into each beaker to be cleaned for 5 minutes. After the cleaning, the coupons were rinsed in DI water and dried using air blow off. Coupons were then weighed a final time and percent efficiencies were calculated for each cleaner.
 Saint Gobain Industrial Ceramics Water Based Alumina (1344-28-1, 102-71-6)

Results: All seven cleaners removed over 94% of the alumina from the ceramic coupons in the five minutes of cleaning. ND 17 and LPS were the most effective removing just over 97%. The following table lists the calculated efficiencies.

Table 1. Cleaning Efficiencies

Cleaner	Coupon 1	Coupon 2	Coupon 3	Average	Std Dev	Rank
Amberclean	95.40	97.66	90.45	94.50	3.69	5
Micro 90	97.18	95.56	89.58	94.11	4.00	7
LPS	94.91	96.99	100.00	97.30	2.56	2
ND 17	96.68	97.12	98.13	97.31	0.74	1
Inproclean	90.80	97.38	94.54	94.24	3.30	6
Polyspray	97.35	97.06	93.11	95.84	2.37	3
Safety First	96.15	92.91	96.21	95.09	1.89	4

Summary:

Substrates:		Ceramics				
Contaminants:		Abrasive				
Company Name:		Product Name:	Conc.:	Efficiency:	Effective:	Observations:
Innovative Organics Inc		Amberclean L 12	5	94.50	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
International Products Corporation		Micro 90 Conc.	5	94.11	<input type="checkbox"/>	
LPS Laboratories		Precision Clean Concentrate	5	97.30	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
MacDermid Industrial Products		ND 17	5	97.31	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Oakite Products		Inproclean 3800	5	94.24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
US Polychem Corporation		Polyspray Jet 790 XS	5	95.84	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Amax Corporation		Safety First	5	95.09	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Conclusion: In order to obtain 100% removal of the contaminant, two simple options could be taken. The first would be to increase the cleaning time and the second would be to use ultrasonic equipment.