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EN ISO 13485 Certification

QUALITY STANDARDS AT GREINER BIO ONE

Greiner Bio-One is certified according to the international standards DIN EN ISO 9001 and EN ISO 13485 for Medical Devices. Since 2013, Greiner Bio-One Frickenhausen (Germany) is also certified according to DIN EN ISO 50001 (systematic energy management).

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR THE LAB

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF VARIOUS MATERIALS

	PS 20°C	PS 50°C	PP 20°C	PP 50°C	HDPE 20°C	HDPE 50°C	LDPE 20°C	LDPE 50°C	PC 20°C	PC 50°C
Methanol	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Methyl acetate	4	4	2	3	3	3	3	4	4	4
Methyl phenyl ether 100 %	4	4	3						4	4
Methyl propyl ketone	4	4	2	3	1	2	2	3	4	4
Methylamine 32 %			1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Methylene chloride	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Naphthalene			1	1	3				3	3
Nitrobenzene	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
Oxalic acid	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	4
Ozone	3	3	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	2
Palmitic acid	1	1	3	4	3				2	2
Phenol 10 %	4	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Phenol 100 %	4	4	1	1	2	3	3	3	4	4
Phosphoric acid 1 - 5 %	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Phosphoric acid 85 %	1	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Phthalic acid	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3
Potassium carbonate	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3
Potassium chromate	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
Potass. permanganate	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Propanol	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sodium acetate	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Sodium chloride	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sodium hydroxide 30 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Sodium hydroxide 45 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Sodium hydroxide 60 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Sodium hypochloride	1	1	2	3	2	3	2	3	2	3
Sodium permanganate	2	3	1	1	1	1	1	1		
Sodium thiosulfate	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
Stearic acid	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Sulphuric acid 1 - 6 %	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Sulphuric acid 60 %	2	4	1	3	1	3	1	3	3	3
Sulphuric acid conc.	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Tanninacid	1	1	1	1					3	3
Terpentine oil					3	4	3	4	4	4
Tetrahydrofuran	4	4	3	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
Toluene	4	4	3	4	3	4	3	4	4	4
Trichloroacetic acid	4	4	3	4	3	3	3	4	4	4
Urea	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Uric acid			1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Urine	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Xylene	4	4	4	4	2	3	2	4	4	4

1 = resistant, 2 = limited resistant, 3 = moderate resistant, 4 = no resistance

These tables are a general guide only. As many factors can affect the chemical resistance of a given product, its suitability for a specific application should be tested.

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF VARIOUS MATERIALS

	PS 20°C	PS 50°C	PP 20°C	PP 50°C	HDPE 20°C	HDPE 50°C	LDPE 20°C	LDPE 50°C	PC 20°C	PC 50°C
Acetic acid 10 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Acetic acid 50 %	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Acetic acid 90 %	4	4	1	2	1	1	1	2	4	4
Acetone	4	4	1	3	1	1	3	3	4	4
Acetonitrile	4	4	3	4	1	1	1	1	4	4
Ammonia 25 %	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Ammonium acetate	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Amyl alcohol	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
Ascorbic acid			1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
Benzene	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Benzyl alcohol	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
Boric acid 10 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Carbon tetrachloride	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
Carbonic acid	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Chloroform 100 %	4	4	3	4	3		3		4	4
Citric acid 10 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Cyclohexanol	3	3	1	3	1	1	1	1	1	3
Detergents			1	1						
Dichloroacetic acid			1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Diethyl ether	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
Dimethyl acetamide	4	4	1	1	1	1	3	4		
Dimethylsulfox. (DMSO)	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Emulsifier			1	1						
Ethanol 50 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	1	1
Ethanol 96 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3
Ether	4	4	4	4	3	4	4	4	4	4
Formaldehyde 10 %	3	4	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Formaldehyde 40 %	4	4	1	2	1	2	2	3	1	2
Formamide	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3
Formic acid 50 %	3	3	1	2	1	1	1	2	3	3
Glucose	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1
Glycerine	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3
Heptane	4	4	3	3	2	3	3	4	1	2
Hexanol			1	1	1	1	1	1	2	2
Hydrochloric acid 20 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2	3
Hydrochloric acid conc.	3	3	1	1	1	1	1	1	4	4
Hydrogen peroxide 3 %	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	3	3
Hydroquinone	4	4	1						3	3
Isoamyl alcohol	1	1							3	0
Isobutanol	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Isopropanol	2	2	1	1	1	1	1	1	1	2
Isopropyl acetate	4	4	2	3	1	2	3	4	4	4
Isopropyl benzene	4	4	3	4	2	3	3	4	4	4
Isopropyl ether	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4	4
Lactic acid 3 %	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	2	1	2
Lactic acid 85 %	2	2	1	2	1	1	1	1	1	2
Liquid paraffin	1	1	1	3	1	1	1	1	3	1

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF POLYETHYLENE TEREPHTHALATE (PET) CAPILLARY PORE MEMBRANES (THINCERT® CELL CULTURE INSERTS)

	PET	PET	PET
Acetaldehyde	1	Ethanol	1
Acetic acid (10 %)	1	Ethyl acetate	1
Acetic acid (100 %)	3	Ethyl ether	1
Acetone	1	Ethylendichloride	1
Ammonium hydroxide (5 %)	1	Ethylene glycol	1
Amyl acetate	1	Fluoric acid (35 %)	1
Amyl alcohol	1	Formaldehyde	1
Aniline	1	Formic acid (50 %)	1
Benzene	3	Freon	1
Benzyl alcohol	1	Glutaraldehyde	1
Benzyl benzoate	1	Glycerol	1
Boric acid (5 %)	1	H ₂ O ₂ (30 %)	1
Butanol	1	Halogenated phenoles	4
Butyl acetate	1	Hexane	1
Butyl cellosolve	1	Hydrochloric acid (20 %)	1
Carbon tetrachloride	1	i-Propanol	1
Chloroform	1	Isopropyl myristate	1
Concentrated strong acids	4	Methanol	1
Cyclohexane	1	Methyl acetate	1
Cyclohexanone	3	Methyl cellosolve	1
Dekaline	1	Methylenchloride	3
Dimethylacetamide	1	Methylethylketone	1
Dimethylformamide	1	Methylglycol acetate	1
Dimethylsulfoxide	1	Methylisobutylketone	1
Dioxane	1	Mineral oils	1

For the solvents offering slight changes the user should test the compatibility under the specific application conditions. All tests have been performed at RT. Please be aware that Thincert® cell culture inserts are made of PET membranes sealed on polystyrene housings. Therefore, solvents shown compatible with PET membranes in the above table might be incompatible with the polystyrene housing. Please check solvent compatibility with polystyrene.

Resistance scale from 1 to 4

1 = resistant

i.e. the plastics may be treated with the chemical compound at mentioned temperature over several years without any significant alterations in its physical, optical and chemical properties

2 = limited resistant

i.e. the plastics may be treated with the chemical compound at mentioned temperature over several weeks without any significant alterations in its physical, optical and chemical properties

3 = moderate resistant

i.e. the plastics may be treated with the chemical compound at mentioned temperature for short time only (several minutes to one hour) without any alterations in physical, optical and chemical properties (mixing and measuring is possible)

4 = not resistance

i.e. treating the plastics with the substance named may cause alterations in physical, optical and chemical properties within seconds

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF CYCLOOLEFINS (COC / COP)

	Cycloolefin	Cycloolefin	Cycloolefin
Acetic acid 99 %	1	Dibutyl ether	4
Acetone	1	Dichloroethane	4
Acrylonitrile	1	Dichloromethane	4
Ammonia 33 %	1	Diethyl ether	4
Benzaldehyde	3	Dimethyl sulfoxide	1
Benzene	4	DMSO	1
Benzine	4	Ethanol 50 %	1
Butanon	1	Ethanol 96 %	1
Carbon tetrachloride	4	Fatty acid	4
Chloroform	4	Heptane (n-Heptane)	4
Cyclohexane	4	Hexane	4
Cyclohexanone	4	Hydrochloric acid (HCl) 36 %	1
Detergents	1	Hydrogen peroxide water 30 %	1

1 = resistant, 2 = limited resistant, 3 = moderate resistant, 4 = no resist

This table is a general guide only. As many factors can affect the chemical resistance of a given product, its suitability for a specific application should be tested.

PHYSICAL PROPERTIES OF VARIOUS MATERIALS

Material	Sterilisation by		Auto-cleavability	Thermal Stability [°C]	Transparency	Gas Permeability ²			WVTR ³
	extreme irradiation	chemicals (formalin, ethanol)				dry heat	gas ⁴	O ₂	
Polystyrene	•	•	•	-20 to +60	clear	4.7	853	17.8	108 – 155
Polypropylene	•	•	•	-196 to +121	translucent	3.7	744	12.4	3.9
HDPE	•	•	•	-50 to +100	translucent	2.9	651	9	4.6 – 6.2
LDPE	•	•	•	-50 to +80	translucent	7.8	2.8	41.9	15.5 – 23.3
UV-Star®	•	•	•	-20 to +40	clear				
PETG	•	•	•	-40 to +60	clear	388	155	1.2	62
PET	•	•	•	-40 to +60	clear	46.5	10.9	236	15 – 20
Cycloolefin	•	•	•	-80 to +100	clear				

Exemptions are mentioned in the respective product datasheets.

¹ Ethylene oxide, formaldehyde

² (CO₂: 0.24h @ 6Bar)

³ at 37°C, 90% humidity (9 x mm/m² x 24h x Bar)

CHEMICAL RESISTANCE OF SEALERS

	EASySeal (Art. No. 878001)	VIEWseal (Art. No. 876070)	AMPLiseal (Art. No. 876040)	SILVEReal (Art. No. 876090)
Acetone	4	4	4	3
Acetonitrile	3	3	4	1
Acetic acid 1 %	3	1	4	3
Glacial acetic acid	1	3	4	
Chloroform	4	4	4	4
DMSO	3	3	3	1
Ethanol	3	1	1	1
Hydrochloric acid 32 %	3	1	3	4
Isopropanol	3	1	1	1
Methanol	3	1	4	1
Phenol	3	3	4	3
Sulphuric acid 0.5 M	1	1	1	1

1 = Stable

3 = Moderately stable

4 = Unstable

no visible change in the sealer after one week's incubation after one week, optical and physical changes in the sealer (including tears on removal)

adhesive and foil redissolved, wells not leak-tight

This table can only be used as an orientation aid for the suitability of the respective sealers, since their behaviour against chemicals depends on the respective application. Test under practical conditions are absolutely essential in many cases.

TEMPERATURE STABILITY OF SEALERS

	Temperature Stability
EASySeal	-40 °C to +120 °C
VIEWseal	-70 °C to +100 °C
AMPLiseal	-80 °C to +110 °C
SILVEReal	-70 °C to +100 °C
BREATHseal	n.a. / Evaporation rate 4200 g H ₂ O/m ² in 24 h

This table can basically be used as an orientation aid for the temperature stability of the respective sealers, since the behaviour of the product depends on the respective application. Test under practical conditions are absolutely essential in many cases.