Anti-microbial Copper Oxide Coating for Non-Woven Fabrics Preliminary Information Sheet

Copper Oxide - a potent virucide

The anti-bacterial and anti-viral "contact killing" properties of copper oxide are well-documented* and are most commonly integrated into textiles through nano-particle coatings. Avery Dennison Hanita© has recently developed a novel, roll-to-roll process for coating non-woven fabrics based on the nanometer-thick deposition of pure copper and alloys. This development features a proprietary surface coating to protect the copper oxide layer from discoloration without affecting its anti-viral properties**.



These coatings have been tested according to ISO21702 and have been demonstrated an effective virustatic+.

Applications:

- > PPE face masks
- > Self-adhesive surfacing sheets
- Disposable medical garments, partition curtains, etc

Features and Benefits:

- > Effective microbicidal and microbiostatic performance
- > Cost-effective option to existing antimicrobic coatings
- > **Good mechanical properties:** flexibility, metal adhesion, and overall durability
- > High volume production: 2000mm width
- > Tailored solutions: preferential custom development
- > Color stable**





Testing:

<u>Laboratory</u> testing shows that, when cleaned regularly, antimicrobial copper surfaces kill greater than 99.9% of the following bacteria within 2 hours of exposure: MRSA, VRE. Staphylococcus aureus. Enterobacter aerogenes. Pseudomonas aeruginosa, and E. coli 0157:H7.

⁺This Avery Dennison product demonstrates effective anti-viral performance, with a mean 99.999% reduction in viral concentration compared to the control sample when tested under ISO21702.

**Tested for 92 hours at 40°C, 90% humidity.

Antimicrobial copper surfaces are a supplement to and not a substitute for standard infection control practices and have been shown to reduce microbial contamination but do not necessarily prevent cross-contamination or infections; users must continue to follow all current infection control practices.

*Contact killing and antimicrobial properties of copper. J Appl Microbiol. 124, 1032--1046

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