

CLEANING LABORATORY EVALUATION SUMMARY

SCL #: 2003
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 Experimenters: Jason Marshall
 ClientType: Lab
 ProjectNumber: Project #1
 Substrates: Stainless Steel
 PartType: Coupon
 Contaminants: Cutting/Tapping Fluids
 Cleaning Methods: Immersion/Soak
 Analytical Methods: Gravimetric

Purpose: Laboratory evaluations of alternative cleaning products

Experimental Procedure: Basic cleaning performance testing was conducted using ASTM G122 as the bases for cleaning. Five products were used at full strength, heated to 120 F on a hot plate. Fifteen preweighed coupons were coated with Monroe Fluid Tech Cool Tool II cutting fluid and allowed to dry overnight and reweighed. Three coupons were cleaned in each solution for 5 minutes using stir-bar-agitation, rinsed in a tap water bath for 15 seconds at 120 F and dried using air blow off for 30 seconds at 68 F. Coupons were allowed to dry overnight and then reweighed a final time. Efficiencies were calculated.

Note: Bio T Foam Plus was sprayed onto coupons at room temperature and allowed to sit for 5 minutes. The cleaner was then rinsed.

Results: Four of the five products removed over 93% of the cutting fluid within five minutes of immersion cleaning. Only Bio T Foam plus removed under 85%.

Cleaner	Initial wt	Final wt	% Removed
278 Super Solv	0.7797	0.0120	98.46
	0.4984	0.0097	98.05
	0.5264	0.0070	98.67
Bio T Foam Plus	0.8789	0.1051	88.04
	0.1126	0.0234	79.22
	0.5249	0.0860	83.62
Ecobrite AK	0.2364	0.0125	94.71
	1.4922	0.0144	99.03
	0.8249	0.0166	97.99
Rip Tide	0.8920	0.0574	92.91
	0.5799	0.0496	91.45
	0.8733	0.0467	94.65
EZ Solv	0.6229	0.0428	93.13
	1.0819	0.0352	96.75
	1.1213	0.0516	95.40

Summary:

Substrates:		Stainless Steel				
Contaminants:		Cutting/Tapping Fluids				
Company Name:		Product Name:	Conc.:	Efficiency:	Effective:	Observations:
AW Chesterton		278 Super Solv	100	98.39	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Bio Chem Systems		Bio T Foam Plus	100	83.62	<input type="checkbox"/>	
Eastern Color and Chemical Company		Ecobrite Cleaner AK	100	97.24	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
EcoLink		Rip Tide	100	93.00	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	
Gemtek Products		SC EZ Solv Safety Solvent	100	95.09	<input checked="" type="checkbox"/>	

Conclusion: Five products were successful in removing cutting fluid.