

# CLEANING LABORATORY EVALUATION SUMMARY

SCL #: 2002  
 DateRun: 04/11/2002  
 Experimenters: Jason Marshall, Purav Dave  
 ClientType: Cleaning Equipment Mfr  
 ProjectNumber: Project #2  
 Substrates: Stainless Steel  
 PartType: Coupon  
 Contaminants: Resins/Rosins  
 Cleaning Methods: Ultrasonics  
 Analytical Methods:  
 Purpose: 6th contaminant cleaning

**Experimental Procedure:** Thirteen preweighed coupons were coated with Solutia Gelva 2895 (50862-46-9; 141-78-6; 142-82-5; 67-63-0; 64-17-5; 108-05-4) with a hand held swab. Coupons were reweighed. Five coupons were clipped to wire racks and immersed into the Flow-Matic machine and cleaned for 1 minutes using ultrasonics at 92 F, removed and rinsed in a tap water spray and re-immersed into the ultrasonics for an additional 1 minute followed by a second 5 second rinse. The coupons were then dried using an air knife for 15 seconds. A second set of five coupons followed the same cleaning cycle except they were hung on a wire stand and immersed into a Crest 40 kHz ultrasonic tank. The final three coupons were cleaned in water using stir-bar agitation, rinsed with the spray and dried with air knives.

**Results:** Comparison of the two processes revealed that both system were ineffective at removing the resin from the stainless steel coupons.

Table 1. Cleaning Efficiencies

Process	Flow-Matic	Traditional
	13.35	10.72
	11.87	14.07
	13.03	10.22
	10.87	14.31
	13.80	15.48
Average	12.59	12.96
Std Dev	1.20	2.34

Water in the immersion cleaning removed the same amount of resin as the ultrasonic systems.  
 Gelva  
 13.66  
 10.61  
 13.57  
 12.61 Average  
 1.737 Std Dev

**Summary:**

<b>Substrates:</b>		Stainless Steel			
<b>Contaminants:</b>		Resins/Rosins			
<b>Company Name:</b>	<b>Product Name:</b>	<b>Conc.:</b>	<b>Efficiency:</b>	<b>Effective:</b>	<b>Observations:</b>
Water	Water	100	12.96	<input type="checkbox"/>	Traditional system
Water	Water	100	12.59	<input type="checkbox"/>	Flow-Matic System
Water	Water	100	12.61	<input type="checkbox"/>	Immersion systsem

**Conclusion:** Neither system was effective in cleaning the resin.