

# CLEANING LABORATORY EVALUATION SUMMARY

SCL #: 2002  
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 Experimenters: Jason Marshall  
 ClientType: Optical Manufacturer  
 ProjectNumber: Project #1  
 Substrates: Plastic  
 PartType: Part  
 Contaminants: Inks  
 Cleaning Methods: Manual Wipe  
 Analytical Methods: Visual, Wipe  
 Purpose: To evaluate successful cleaners on supplied parts.

Experimental Procedure: The four products from the previous trial were used at full strength and heated to 130 F on a hot plate in 400 ml beakers. Using a soft paper towel soaked in each heated solution, lenses were wiped until the ink was removed. The time required to clean was recorded. A second evaluation with the products involved soaking the lenses in the solution for 5 minutes, making observations through out the soak. At the end, the lenses was wiped for a maximum of 10 seconds. The lenses were then rinsed in a tap water rinse at 120 F for 10 seconds and wiped dry.

Results: All products were able to remove all of the ink in less than 1 minute during the manual wipe cleaning. Loctite 7360 was the fastest, removing the ink within 17 seconds. None of the products dissolved the ink from the lenses within the 5 minute soak cleaning. The following table lists the observations made during each cleaning process.

| Wipe Observations | Soak Observations                   | W rank + | S rank / 2 | = | Overall Rank |
|-------------------|-------------------------------------|----------|------------|---|--------------|
| 24 seconds        | No dissolving, wipe at end was easy | 3        | 2          | = | 2.5          |
| 19 seconds        | Wipe did not remove all the ink     | 2        | 4          | = | 3            |
| 17 seconds        | Possible dissolving, easily wiped   | 1        | 1          | = | 1            |
| 48 seconds        | Small amount of ink left            | 4        | 3          | = | 3.5          |

Summary:

| <b>Substrates:</b>       |                   | Plastic |             |                                     |               |
|--------------------------|-------------------|---------|-------------|-------------------------------------|---------------|
| <b>Contaminants:</b>     |                   | Inks    |             |                                     |               |
| Company Name:            | Product Name:     | Conc.:  | Efficiency: | Effective:                          | Observations: |
| Bio Chem Systems         | Bio T Max         | 100     | 3.00        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Wipe Rank     |
| National Diagnostic      | Opti Clear        | 100     | 2.00        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Wipe Rank     |
| Loctite Corporation      | 7360              | 100     | 1.00        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Wipe Rank     |
| Twin Rivers Technologies | Methyl Ester 1618 | 100     | 4.00        | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Wipe Rank     |
| Bio Chem Systems         | Bio T Max         | 100     | 2.00        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Soak Rank     |
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| Loctite Corporation      | 7360              | 100     | 1.00        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Soak Rank     |
| Twin Rivers Technologies | Methyl Ester 1618 | 100     | 3.00        | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Soak Rank     |

Conclusion: A follow up test will be run on the top two products, Loctite 7360 and Bio T Max, to determine how long to soak the lenses to remove the ink with no wiping.