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# Technical Report: Chemical Resistance of Hyperdesmo-ADY-2K Resistance to Sodium Hypochlorite

Exposure Procedure according to internal testing procedure

In order to access the resistance of Hyperdesmo-ADY-2K to sodium hypochlorite, the active chemical in chlorines and bleach, a pre-weighed free sample of the material is immersed in various concentrations of Sodium Hypochlorite ranging from 5-15% for a duration of 30 days.

Alchimica Test Procedure

## Apparatus:

Air tight flasks 500 ml containing various concentrations of sodium hypochlorite.

# Sample Specimen

The test specimen was a pre-weighed dumbbell with dimensions as described within ASTM D412: Sample Thickness 1mm, sample width 0.6mm, gauge length 4mm.

The sample was prepared from a random selection of batch numbers

## **Procedure**

The samples were tested for mechanical properties and water tightness prior to being exposed to sodium hypochlorite.

Average Results: Elongation: 100%

Tensile strength: 30 N/mm2, water absorption: 0.6%.

Samples prepared from the same batches are immersed in 3 solutions of Sodium Hypochlorite 5%, 10%, 15% in water. The samples are left immersed at room temperature for a period of 30 days.



## Results

The samples are removed from the sodium hypochlorite solutions, washed with water and left for 1 hour in the oven at 80 °C to dry. After removal from the oven a visual examination takes place to establish whether the material is damaged. The samples were subsequently weighed and the mechanical property testing took place.

**Visual Examination**: No visible surface deterioration. No change in shape, cracking or blistering. The material retained its color almost 100%.

# Mechanical Properties:

Average weight change(%): <2%

Average elongation: 80%

Average Tensile Strength: 26 N/mm2 Average water absorption: 0.6%

From the above it is clearly demonstrated that Hyperdesmo-ADY-2K has excellent resistance to chlorine environments and is therefore highly recommended for the waterproofing of swimming pools or tanks containing high concentrations of chlorine.

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