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Viral Filtration Efficiency (VFE) at an Increased Challenge Level Final Report

Test Article:

Product name: Air Queen Breeze Mask

Study Number:

1286324-S01

Study Received Date:

09 Apr 2020

Testing Facility:

Nelson Laboratories, LLC

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Test Procedure(s):

Standard Test Protocol (STP) Number: STP0010 Rev 15

Deviation(s): None

Summary: This test procedure was performed to evaluate the VFE of test articles at an increased challenge level. A suspension of ФX174 bacteriophage was delivered to the test article at a challenge level of greater than 10⁶ plaque-forming units (PFU) to determine the filtration efficiency. The challenge was aerosolized using a nebulizer and delivered to the test article at a fixed air pressure and flow rate of 30 liters per minute (LPM). The aerosol droplets were generated in a glass aerosol chamber and drawn through the test article into all glass impingers (AGIs) for collection. The challenge was delivered for a one minute interval and sampling through the AGIs was conducted for two minutes to clear the aerosol chamber. The mean particle size (MPS) control was performed at a flow rate of 28.3 LPM using a sixstage, viable particle, Andersen sampler for collection. The VFE at an Increased Challenge Level test procedure was adapted from ASTM F2101.

This test procedure was modified from Nelson Laboratories, LLC (NL), standard VFE test procedure in order to employ a more severe challenge than would be experienced in normal use. All test method acceptance criteria were met. Testing was performed in compliance with US FDA good manufacturing practice (GMP) regulations 21 CFR Parts 210, 211 and 820.

Challenge Flow Rate:

30 LPM

Area Tested: ~40 cm²

Challenge Level: 2.2 x 10⁶ PFU

Side Tested: Smooth Side

MPS: ~3.0 µm

Test Monitor Results: Acceptable

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Results:

Test Article Number	Total PFU Recovered	Filtration Efficiency (%)
1	5.3×10^3	99.76
2	5.4 x 10 ³	99.75
3	4.2×10^2	99.981

The filtration efficiency percentages were calculated using the following equation:

%
$$VFE = \frac{C - T}{C} \times 100$$
 C = Challenge Level T = Total PFU recovered downstream of the test article

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