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BVDV efficacy of desderman pure gel

## EXPERT OPINION

The virucidal efficacy of the hand disinfectant desderman pure gel from the firm Schülke & Mayr GmbH against bovine viral diarrhoea virus (BVDV) was investigated by a quantitative suspension test according to the guideline of the Bundesgesundheitsamt (Federal Board of Health) and the Deutsche Vereinigung zur Bekämpfung der Viruskrankheiten e.V. (German Association for the Control of Virus Diseases). BVDV was chosen as a surrogate virus for hepatitis C virus since there is no animal model or tissue culture system for growing this virus.

According to this suspension test, a disinfectant or a disinfectant solution at a particular concentration is considered as having virucidal efficacy if within the recommended exposure period the titre is reduced by 4  $\log_{10}$ .

desderman pure gel was examined as a 80.0% solution. The exposure times were 0.5, 1.0 and 2.0 minutes. Summarizing the results of the experiments it can be recommended to use the hand disinfectant desderman pure gel for the inactivation of BVDV as follows:

**concentrated      30 sec.**



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