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## TESTING OF CITROSEPT

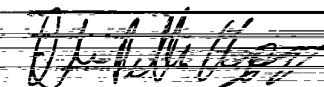
Dear Mr. Deutsch,

Enclosed you will find the test on Citrosept in regards to Benzethoniumchloride executed by MATFORSK, which is the main food research institute in Norway

Mr. Gjermund Vogt, who was in charge of the test, concluded that if there is any Benzethoniumchloride at all in Citrosept, the maximum may be 100 ppm (parts p. million), which he also confirmed is an insignificant amount constituting less than 0,1 percent of the total content.

For and on behalf of Cintamani International, I remain,

Yours sincerely,



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**Abstract:**

In agreement with Mr. Bjarne Trøften, Cintamani Norway AS, analysis of benzethoniumchlorid and benzalkoniumchlorid has been carried out on Citrosept and Citropure. The method used is based on information from Cintamani Norway AS as a copy from a report from Middlesex University Services Limited. The report refers to a fluorescence- and UV-method for detecting these specific components.

We were not able to analyse Citrosept due to problems with a possible high level of emulsifying agents.

The used method has been on fluorescence- and UV-spectroscopy. The method gave no indication of benzethoniumchlorid and benzalkoniumchlorid.

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#### Analysis

30 g of Citropure was mixed with 350 mL of methanol (96%) in a beaker and stirred on a magnetic stirrer for 60 minutes at room temperature. The organic phase was separated and evaporated with a rotavapor. The evaporated sample was resuspended in 10 mL of distilled water before it was measured in UV- and fluorescence-spectrophotometers. The samples were tested against benzethoniumchlorid and benzaikoniumchlorid external standards in concentration of 1, 10 and 100 ppm in distilled water.

#### Results

With the external standards it was possible to measure benzethoniumchlorid and benzaikoniumchlorid down to 1 ppm which was the detection limit.

Extracts from Citropure (A and B) did not give significantly higher response than the detection limit. When we added benzethoniumchlorid and benzaikoniumchlorid to the Citropure extract, we got a slight increase in absorbance, but it was much lower than expected, only 10%. It seems that something in the Citropure extract interferes with the measurements. An explanation can be that benzethoniumchlorid and benzaikoniumchlorid interact with some components in the Citropure extract and give wrong results about the concentration.

Our result shows that benzethoniumchlorid and benzaikoniumchlorid did not exist in the Citropure using this spectroscopic method.