GROTAN





Grotan is a bactericide used to kill bacteria, mold and fungus, as the presence or growth of these organisms in a water-based slurry can be detrimental to both the performance and life of the slurry.

Bacteria can be introduced through a variety of sources, such as airborne bacteria. Due to the potential for bacteria contamination in a slurry, a program should be set up to test for and eradicate any bacteria growth.

Culture slides can be used to test for the presence of bacteria in a slurry. The procedure for using the culture slides is provided by the manufacturer of these kits. At R&R, we use MCE Combi Dip Slides. They are available from Metal Working Equipment & Chemical Company Inc. at 518.523.2355.

Application Recommendations

Grotan was not designed to be added on a regular basis. Only make additions if bacteria growth is present. To test for the presence of bacteria, use the culture slides on a sample of binder separated from the slurry. If bacteria are detected, use the following additions of Grotan:

| Bacteria Count | 1 0 ³ | 104 | 10 ⁵ | 10 ⁶ | 107 |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------------|-----|------------------------|-----------------|-----|
| Additions of Grotan (ml/gal slurry)* | 1.1 | 1.7 | 2.2 | 2.8 | 3.4 |
| Additions of Grotan (ml/l slurry)* | 0.3 | 0.5 | 0.6 | 0.7 | 0.9 |

^{*}These additions should be made as part of a deionized water addition.

Retest the slurry 48 hours after Grotan additions. If bacteria are still present, repeat additions and retest. Slurries should be tested for bacteria monthly, at least.

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