

UVD Robots are BS 8628:2022* Compliant

Setting the Standard in Whole-Room Disinfection

*Disinfection using ultraviolet radiation — Methods for quantitative testing of automated ultraviolet disinfection activities by direct illumination — Determination of bactericidal, mycobactericidal, sporicidal, yeasticidal, fungicidal, virucidal and phagocidal activities

Introduction

Disinfection with ultraviolet light is a well-known supplement to manual cleaning practices, and is an effective way to reduce bioburden on surfaces in various environments. The European disinfectant standard writing body CEN has released a standard that covers the requirements and methodology for testing the germical efficacy of UV devices: the BS 8628:2022. The UVD Robot has been tested against this standard by the accredited laboratory Danish Technological Institute**, and has achieved conformance with the standard for the human health category.

Procedure

- Bacterial or yeast suspensions were dried on stainless-steel carriers, and positioned on petri dish lids.
- They were placed horizontally and were exposed to UV-C light by the UVD Robot in a closed room with black non-reflective walls.
- The warm-up period was three minutes before the UV-C lights reached their maximum intensity.
- The stainless-steel carriers were subsequently transferred to a recovery agent and surviving microorganisms were quantified.
- The reduction in surviving organisms, measured as Decimal Logarithm (Log), was compared to a control.

Test Specifications

- Robot used:
 - UVD Robot Model C with 8 UV-C lamps at wavelength 254 nm.
- Warm-Up time for UV-C lamps: 3 min
- Distance from test organism to light source: 2 m (6.6 ft)
- Distance from test organism to the floor: 1.02 m (3.3 ft)
- Test surface:
 - AiSI 304 Stainless steel discs, 4 cm. (1.6 in) in diameter with Grade 2 B finish on both sides.
- Soiling conditions: Clean conditions (0.3 g/L BSA)
- Recovery agent:
- Saline peptone solution (SPO) 0.85% saline & 0.1% peptone.
- Incubation conditions:
 - Bacteria: (37 ± 1) °C for 48 hours on tryptone soya agar (TSA), reading after 24 h and 48 h. Yeast: (30 ± 1) °C for 48 hours on malt extract agar (MEA), reading after 24 h and 48 h.

Results

Microorganism	BS 8628:2022 standard requirement	UVD Robots efficacy @ 2 meter	Meets BS 8628:2022 standard
Acinetobacter baumannii	Log 5 (99.999%)	Log 5.4 (99.999%)	Yes
Staphylococcus aureus	Log 5 (99.999%)	Log 5.9 (99.999%)	Yes
Escherichia coli	Log 5 (99.999%)	Log 5.7 (99.999%)	Yes
Enterococcus hirae	Log 5 (99.999%)	Log 5.6 (99.999%)	Yes
Candida albicans (fungus)	Log 4 (99.99%)	Log 5.1 (99.999%)	Yes



Conclusion

Disinfection with the UVD Robot Model C does fulfill the requirements according to the standard BS 8628:2022.



