Monitor for
MANUAL Enzymatic Cleaning Process

WHAT does this product do?

WHY should I use this product?
Enzymatic detergents greatly enhance the cleaning of medical instruments; however the optimal activity of enzymes is dependent on the correct detergent concentration (dilution), bath temperature and exposure time\(^1\), all parameters to which the PINNACLE MEC Test Strips are sensitive.

Also enzymes gradually degrade during use (soil components are substrates for the enzymes) thus the amount of soil on the device during the enzyme treatment will affect the efficacy of cleaning.

“Disinfection and sterilization cannot be assured unless the cleaning process was effective; seek out whatever means are available and practical to verify the cleaning function. A quality system calls for monitoring and documenting both manual and automatic decontamination processing parameters.”\(^2\)

WHERE do I use this product?
Use the PINNACLE MEC in hospital CSPD, medical or dental OR decontamination areas or wherever manual soaking or hand washing with enzymatic detergents is carried out.

Enzyme detergents are commonly used in processing delicate or complex medical devices, such as microsurgical or vascular instruments, instruments with hinges, orthopedic instruments, and instruments with lenses or lumens (e.g., flexible endoscopes).

WHEN do I use this product?
Prior to use; dilute the enzymatic detergent according to the manufacturer’s instructions then test the bath solution with a PINNACLE MEC strip. (Do not use PINNACLE MEC Test Strips in concentrated enzymatic detergent.)

HOW do I use this product?
1. Fully immerse the indicator pad into the manual bath solution for one (1) second. Do not shake or blot the test strip.
2. Lay strip, pad side up, on a clean surface. Compare the color of the indicator pad to the color chart on the bottle label at 90 seconds. Record results.

5179 PINNACLE™ Monitor for MANUAL
Enzymatic Cleaning Process (MEC)
2 bottles/kit; 50 strips/bottle
The color of the indicator pad will change in the presence of active enzymes in manual bath solution.

Visit www.serim.com for a list of enzymatic detergents validated for use with the PINNACLE™ Monitor for MEC.
Water hardness, pH and the type of soil also affect the efficacy of enzyme detergents. 

Related Products:

5129 Water Hardness Test Strips 1 bottle of 50 test strips
5162 pH 0-14 Test Strips 1 bottle of 100 test strips

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5176 PINNACLE AEC Test Strips kit of 6 bottles of 50 test strips
5176IN PINNACLE AEC Individual Test Kit kit of 1 bottle of 50 test strips & 2 strip resin holders
5176H PINNACLE AEC Resin Holders kit of 18 resin holders
5176SS PINNACLE AEC Stainless Steel Holders 1 stainless steel holder
5176WC PINNACLE AEC Instructions for Use 2 Instructions for Use & 1 Reference Guide

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<td>Detects the presence of active enzymes in manual bath solutions using enzymatic detergent</td>
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<td>Each bottle clearly labeled with lot number &amp; expiration date</td>
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References:

2. AAMI ST79:2010 Comprehensive Guide to steam sterilization and sterility assurance in health care facilities. Association for the Advancement of Medical Instrumentation, Arlington, VA