



# Cellomed - An effective & protective antimicrobial finish

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## What is Cellomed?

Cellomed is a range of coatings and laminates supplied by Celloglas. They can be applied to paper and board products to provide long-lasting and effective antimicrobial protection to printed material. Cellomed products are ideal for menus, magazines and in-flight literature – or any printed matter that comes into frequent contact with high volumes of people.

## Cellomed coatings and varnishes

Celloglas offers a range of antimicrobial coatings available in a gloss, matt, neutral or soft touch finish. This is ideal for all printed material where durability is not required but an antimicrobial coating is. Our coating technology is based on silver, which is its key active ingredient.

## Cellomed laminates

Celloglas offers an antimicrobial laminate in a gloss or matt finish. It is perfect for products where high durability is required but has the added advantage of an antimicrobial finish. The film has an antimicrobial coating applied to the face, which offers long-lasting protection against a range of bacteria. Our Cellomed lamination product is based on the same technology used in our Cellomed coating.

## How does Cellomed work?

Bacteria from skin (or air) moves to surfaces. Silver particles feature on the substrate (via print, textile application or spray) and are ready to act. The silver particle attacks the bacteria in three ways. It:

- 1 Ruptures the bacterial cell membrane.
- 2 Immobilises the bacteria by depleting oxygen.
- 3 Destroys the reproductive receptor.

Silver ion generation happens only when the silver is in contact with bacteria.

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## Overview

Silver is extensively utilised in medical treatments, from equipment, drugs and medicines to wound care in bandages and plasters. In a medical context, silver is proven to be highly useful, with activity against resistant strains of bacteria such as MRSA.

Utilised widely nowadays as a “freshness” ingredient in personal care products, such as deodorants, for application directly on to skin.

Relative to non-silver-based antimicrobials, silver-based products offer a number of advantages:

- 1 Water, not solvent, based materials; silver is natural and sustainable.
- 2 Low MIC (minimum inhibition concentration –the level at which a material becomes effective against microbes).
- 3 Widespread usage over a long period can mean some non-silver materials allow bacteria to develop resistance (for example: Triclosan). Silver doesn't.
- 4 Superior durability.

## Advantages of Cellomed

- High durability
- Low water solubility – does not come off easily
- No discolouring: easy to apply
- Delivers at low silver content: efficient technology
- Low silver ions: good aquatic toxicity profile

## High performance

- Tested against a wide range of microbes, including bacteria, fungi and other allergens
- Tested under the most stringent conditions, following the internationally recognised Test Protocol (JIS L 1902). This protocol is key for testing non-migrating antimicrobial technologies.

## Gentle on the environment

- Cellomed has a low silver loading in the product and is bound tightly to the substrate.
- Cellomed generates a very low level of silver ions, which is beneficial in terms of lower aquatic toxicity.
- Non-leaching and low ion emission are evidenced by no zone of inhibition.

## Safety

- Cellomed has very low ion emission so it remains on new treated textiles or printed substrates forever and does not leach on to skin.
- European status: The silver active in Cellomed is approved by Oekotex, Blue Sign and has been filed under REACH and BPD pending final decisions in 2024.

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Microbe tested	Coatings	Efficiency	Lamination	Efficiency
Escherichia Coli	All	99.90%	Gloss and matt	99.45
Staphylococcus Aureus	All	99.9	Gloss and matt	99.91
Brevi Bacterium	All	99.90%	Gloss and matt	Subject to testing
Methicillin Resistant staphylococcus Aureus	All	99.9	Gloss and matt	Subject to testing
Klebsiella Pneumoniae	All	99.90%	Gloss and matt	Subject to testing

Tested to ISO22196

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## Anti-Microbial Emulsions Regulatory and Efficacy Form

This form is to outline the efficacy of the anti-bacterial agents incorporated into our range of anti-microbial coatings denoted by the coding system "CTW7000-CTW7400". Also this outlines the regulatory compliance of the coating ingredients as well as the anti-bacterial additive.

The coating and additive combination are designed to provide invisible protection to the printed surface for the lifetime of the printed work, meaning it can be handled multiple times and microbes of various types will be effectively killed by the protective additive so to avoid passing on to other subsequent handlers of the packaging and reducing transmission of microbes between people.

The active substance silver phosphate glass, has a micron size of less than  $\leq 5\mu\text{m}$ , and contains a glass carrier which releases silver ions in a controlled manner via an ion exchange mechanism to achieve an antimicrobial effect in products including polymers, coating, paints, sealants and adhesives.

### **Microbial A-Z**

The specialist additives incorporated into our "CTW7000-CTW7400" range of waterbased emulsions, have been tested using ISO22196 by BioLab test and proven effective against the following microbes:

#### **Antibiotic resistant Bacteria**

ESBL (producing <i>Escherichia coli</i> )	-	Found in humans, animals and the environment.
CRE <i>Klebsiella</i>	-	Found in humans, animals and the environment
MRSA	-	Found in the skin, nose and throat of colonised individuals.
VRE	-	Found in human intestines, female genital tract and also the environment.

#### **Bacteria**

<i>Acinetobacter baumannii</i>	-	Found in soil and water and passed by people or surfaces.
<i>Bacillus subtilis</i>	-	Found in soil and water, a cause of food spoilage.
<i>Campylobacter</i>	-	Found in raw meat (usuualy poultry), and raw milk.
<i>Clostridium difficile</i>	-	Found in human intestines and passed by people and surfaces.
<i>E. Coli</i> & <i>E.Coli</i> O157	-	Found in intestines of animals or environments infected with <i>E.Coli</i> containing faeces.
<i>Enterobacter aerogenes</i>	-	Found in soil, water, dairy products and human/animal intestines.
<i>Enterococcus faecalis</i>	-	Found in human intestines, female genital tract and environment.
<i>Legionella pneumophila</i>	-	Found in water i.e. hot tubs, and cooling systems i.e. air con.
<i>Listeria monocytogenes</i>	-	Found in chilled food such as deli meat, smoked salmon, soft cheese and pate.
<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i>	-	Found in soil and water and spread by infections after surgery etc.
<i>Salmonella</i> spp.	-	Found in poultry, pigs, cattle and reptiles also carry this.
<i>Shigella</i> spp.	-	Found in human faeces, pond water, lakes and untreated pools.
<i>Staphylococcus aureus</i>	-	Found in the skin, nose and throat of colonised individuals.
<i>Staphylococcus epidermis</i>	-	Found in the skin, nose and throat of colonised individuals.
<i>Streptococcus faecalis</i>	-	Found in human intestines, female genital tract, and environment.



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## **Mould and Fungi**

- Aspergillus niger* - Found in soil, as well as indoor and outdoor environments.
- Candida albicans* - Found in the mucoid membranes and on the skin.
- Penicillium sp.* - A common cause of food spoilage by microbial contamination.

## **Viruses**

*Influenza A H1N1* – naturally occurring virus in animals and birds

## **REACH legislation (EU 1907/2006) compliance**

The active substances used in our Anti-Microbial range of coatings, are registered under the Biocidal Product Regulation (EU Regulation 528/2012), concerning the making available on the market and use of biocidal products. The active substances contained within our “CTW7000-CTW7400” products are, in biocidal applications, considered registered under REACH (Article 15, 1907/2006).

All materials supplied in this range of coatings are compliant with the new SVHC (Substances of Very High Concern), list of REACH (205 substances), which became effective on 16<sup>th</sup> January 2020.

## **Biocidal Product Regulation 528/2012 compliance**

Within the European Union, biocides are regulated under European Union Regulation (EU) 528/2012; The Biocidal Product Regulation.

Please refer to <http://echa.europa.eu/regulations/biocidal-products-regulation> for further details.

The active ingredients included in our range of Anti-Microbial coatings, are included in the EU BPR review program for inclusion on the BPR’s approved list of biocidal active substances. In this review period all active ingredients from the supplier, comply with the BPR’s legislative requirements and may be sold, marketed and used in the European Union in accordance with national legislation of Member States. Therefore, our suppliers products and partner products, that are classified as treated articles, do not require national product authorisation.

This statement is applicable for the use of the suppliers additives for the treatment of various manufacturing materials including polymers, wet coatings and other materials used in the production of treated articles.

## **EU Food Contact Status**

### ***a) Coating formulation components***

Regulation (EC) No 1935/2004(1) and the Swiss Ordinance 817.023.212(2) require that materials and articles which, in their finished state, are intended to be brought into contact with foodstuffs or which are brought into contact with foodstuffs, must not transfer any components to the packed foodstuff in quantities which could endanger human health, or bring about an unacceptable change in the composition or deterioration in organoleptic properties.



All standard coating ingredients incorporated into the formulation of our "CTW7000-CTW7400" range of Anti-microbial emulsions are listed in the Swiss Ordinance (817.023.212), Annex 10 or 2, as well as the Plastics Directive Commission Regulation (EU) 10/2011.

Our waterbased emulsion are manufactured in accordance with the CEPE/EuPIA „Good Manufacturing Practices for the Production of Packaging Inks formulated for use on the non-food contact surfaces of food packaging and articles intended to come into contact with food (GMP)".

None of the substances used are incorporated as "Dual Use Substances" as listed under Directive 2002/72/EC.

### **b) Active substance food status**

The active substance added to these coatings is known as Silver Phosphate Glass and is included in the European Food Safety Authority (EFSA) provisional list of substances and is therefore permitted for current use in food contact applications within specified limits subject to any national authorisation requirements.

Commission regulation (EU) 10/2011: In plastic materials and articles intended to come into contact with food:

*Article 6 (5)*

*"By derogation from Article 5, additives not included in the Union list may continue to be used subject to national law after January 2010 until a decision is taken to include or not to include them in the Union list provided they are included in the provisional list referred to in Article 7."*

In accordance with other silver containing biocides; the silver phosphate glass-based antimicrobial products are subject to a group specific migration limit (SML), of 0.05mg/kg.

The migration of the silver active substance has been tested from treated food packaging as defined in EC Directive 97/48/EC with excellent results. More information on this testing is available on request.

### **United States (US) Food Contact Status**

The silver phosphate glass-based antimicrobial products are permitted for incorporation into a variety of materials (e.g. plastics, coatings, polymeric films, fibres, laminates, adhesives and sealants), with a maximum addition rate of 2.0% w/w. These uses are specified on the products' US Environment Protection Agency's approved product label.

Pre market notification to the US Food and Drug Administration (FDA), for these additives as food contact substances has been completed. Details of these notifications can be viewed on the FDA's database of effective food contact substances.

FDA pre-market notification for the silver phosphate glass antimicrobial product states: *For use only at levels not to exceed 2.0 percent (%) by weight of the finished article, in which the silver content of the finished article shall not exceed 0.038% by weight under Conditions of Use A through H.*



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The suppliers silver phosphate glass antimicrobial product states: *For use only at levels not to exceed 1.0% by weight of the finished article, in which the silver content of the finished article shall not exceed 0.022% by weight, under Conditions A through H.*

Any migration of the final article or material remains the responsibility of the party placing the food contact material(s) onto the market.

This should be considered a formal statement from our company.

The information contained in this document is based on our current knowledge and experience up to and including the date of this document.

We will update our customers with any changes where appropriate upon the receipt of any changes to any of these statements in the future at the soonest possibility and we are always open to discussing any particular requirements that may not be covered by this document.

Yours sincerely

Anthony Jones  
Director

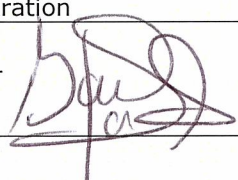


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**ANTIBACTERIAL DECLARATION**

According to the study supplied by IMSL - **INDUSTRIAL MICROBIOLOGICAL SERVICES LTD** (independent testing and consultancy service specialized in the microbiology of industrial processes and products),, which determines the Antibacterial Activity of Polypropylene Film Treated with Antimicrobial Agents against Escherichia coli and Staphylococcus aureus, using ISO 22196, TAGHLEEF INDUSTRIES S.L. declares that the Graphic Arts range of Antibacterial films (F138, F148, F238 and F248) containing in their composition a tested antimicrobial additive and in the percentage recommended by the raw material supplier, achieve the antimicrobial effect showed in the IMSL certification. This certificate delivered by our raw material supplier was tested using a PP base film containing the additive in similar percentages, so the antibacterial properties of our films can be confirmed with an efficiency more than **99,0 % (reduction Antibacterial activity)** based on ISO 22196.

Antibacterial Declaration		
Revision: 02.03.2020	Approved by: Research & Development Manager TI SL Javier del Barrio 	Pág. 1 de 1





CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

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CERTIFICATE NO. 1028342.07/9959  
 CUSTOMER REF.

SAMPLE DETAILS DATE RECEIVED 15/09/2015  
 ORDER NO.

METHOD: Determination of Antibacterial Activity using Test Based on MOD ISO 22196

DATE ANALYSED 16/09/2015 DATE REPORTED 18/09/2015

RESULTS (AS CFU CM<sup>-2</sup>)

SAMPLE	SPECIES	CONTACT TIME		REDUCTION (INITIAL)	
		0 hrs	24 hrs	Log 10	%
POLYPROPYLENE	<i>E coli</i>	1.1E+04	4.6E+05		
TREATED PE - 10 YEARS	<i>E coli</i>	1.1E+04	6.0E+01	2.3	99.45%
POLYPROPYLENE	<i>Staph aureus</i>	1.2E+04	2.0E+03		
TREATED PE - 10 YEARS	<i>Staph aureus</i>	1.2E+04	< 11.11	≥ 3.03	≥ 99.91%

Key: NS = Poor survival on control supplied.

The above data show the difference in the population following contact with the surface of the samples listed for 24 hours at 35°C under a RH of > 95% relative to the initial population.

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