

Efficacy of Actril® Cold Sterilant

The diagram to the right provides a list of microbes and viruses in order of resistance to death, from the least to most resistant. Considering its success against bacillus subtilis and clostridium sporogenes, Actril® Cold Sterilant is capable of killing endospores, which are a dormant, tough, non-reproductive structure produced by a small number of bacteria from the Firmicute family that are found in various environments and include some notable pathogens. With its ability to kill a microorganism that is generally recognized as being the most resistant to death, there should be no surprise that Actril® Cold Sterilant has been relied on by pharmaceutical cleanrooms and other critical infection prevention areas for over 20 years.



Most Resistant

Bacterial Endospores
Mycobacteria
Fungal Spores
Small Non-Enveloped Viruses
Vegetative Fungal Cells
Enveloped Viruses
Vegetative Bacteria

Least Resistant

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