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## **Order of Operation**

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## Reactive Treatments/Coatings for Collective & Individual Protection



## **Criteria for Success**

•Reactive system chemically active to the target C/BWA

•Reactive system compatible with proposed polymer system w\o significant loss of chemical reactivity

•Products considerably less toxic than CWA targets

•Favorable stoichiometry of reactive system vs CWA target

•Permeation kinetics must be slower than reaction kinetics

•Ideally catalytic or capable to regenerate

## **How Neutralization Occurs**



## What We Want



## **Technical Approach**

<u>Weak oxidizers</u> within a band of reactivity that targets specific functional groups

## Chloramides

## Why Chloramides?

•CWA decontaminant
•Antibiotic

•nonspecific
•acts on contact
•broad-spectrum

•Benign

Progressive Approach to Reactive Barrier

- Establish Biocidal Efficacy
- Challenge Broad Spectrum of Organisms
- Challenge Spores
- Challenge Chemical Simulants
- Incorporate into Coatings

### Chloramides: Fast Acting Biocides



## **Chloramides: Broad Spectrum Biocide**



After two minutes exposure

#### Chloramides Challenging Spores (Compliments of Natick)

### AEROSOL CHALLENGE TEST BG Spores, 10 min flow 525-675K Spores, 1 hr Incubation Plate Back Surfaces and Count



#### <u>RESULTS</u>

	Penetration	Front	Back
SAMPLE	(%)	(counts)	(counts)
Shell/Espun	3.0	36,000	1,150
Shell/Espun/Chloramine	2.7	29,000	720
Shell/Coated/Chloramine	9.6	1,610	0

## **Chloramides: Practical Environment**



-reactivity regenerates with  $Cl_2$  concentrations of <10 ppm -zero colony formation from a *Pseudomonas pseudoalcaligenes* JS45 challenge after three, six, nine and twelve months w/o recharging

### Grafting/Activating Reactive Sites to Cellulose Fibers



## Chloramide Reactivity to CEES: Agent Simulant

Oxidation of Chemical Agent Simulants by Chlorinated BA-1 Fabric (In Acetonitrile)



### **The Reactive Coating System**

•Fabric- 600 threat count, 100% cotton sateen Manufacturer: Hotel Fine Linens

•Silicone Coating- Ultra Guard 5500®, single component silicone elastomer

Manufacturer: General Coatings, Inc.

•Fluorinated Silicone Coating- Dow Corning® 94-003, single component fluorinated silicone elastomer Manufacturer: Dow Corning

•Experimental chloramine monomers: DC, MC, BA-1, poly-TTDD Synthesized by: Auburn University

•Reactive System = Silicone coating with Chloramine (10% wt/wt) coated onto chloramine treated 600 count cotton fabric

#### **M-28 Liner vs Silicone Coated Fabric: CEES**



#### M-28 Liner vs Fl Silicone Coated Fabric: CEES



#### M-28 Liner vs Cl Poly TTDD Silane Fabric w/ Cl BA-1 Nano-Silicone Coating: CEES



#### M-28 Liner vs Cl BA-1 Fabric w/ Cl BA-1 Silicone Coating: CEES



#### M-28 Liner vs BA-1 Fabric Coated w/ DC-Silicone Coating: CEES



# Liner Materials Challenged with CEES 20g/m<sup>2</sup>



## Chloramides of the World... Regenerate!



## **Temperature/Regeneration Study**



## **Summary and Conclusions**

#### **Reactive/Barrier Materials**

•The defined Criteria For Success were met for each target CWA, therefore the reactive barrier system will outperform conventional barrier materials

•Shelter materials can now be made using less expensive barrier materials augmented with reactive coatings to provide increased protection

•Potential for expedient field-applied system to non-CB hardened structures

•Further simulant and agent testing is required





# Questions?