



### For quality assurance in prophylactic disinfection

The testing and continued quality control of disinfectant procedures by an independent commission has been established as a successful approach in Germany for more than 50 years resulting in an internationally acknowledged high standard of safe and effective disinfection. This excellent quality is assured by the Disinfectants Commission.

Start your search now:

The databased platform of VAH certified disinfectants in English and German offers important features such as

- Regularly updated data based on VAH-certification of disinfectants
- Three-step search with improved usability: quick search, advanced search, product details of 1,280 disinfectants for hands, skin, instruments, surfaces and textiles
- More filter options such as selection of pathogens activity spectrum, contact time



- Easy to use on mobile electronic devices such as smartphone and tablet
- Compilation of multiple favourites lists.

Note: This service has been available as an OPEN-ACCESS-SERVICE since 1st January 2018.

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### Publications

- VAH List of Disinfectants Online (German/English)
- Requirements and Methods for VAH certification of chemical disinfection procedures (German/English)
- Questions Et Answers (German)
- Recommendations for use (German)
- Insights into test methods and use specifications (German, partly with English translations)

Information as of 1st October 2018



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### LIST OF CERTIFIED DISINFECTANTS



Verbund für Angewandte Hygiene e.V.  
Desinfektionsmittel-Kommission

### The VAH List of Disinfectants

is an inventory of certified products for hygienic handwashing and disinfection with proven bactericidal and yeasticidal efficacy as well as additional claims for tested tuberculocidal, mycobactericidal, fungicidal and virucidal efficacy

includes complementary information such as explanatory notes on the test methodology, information for practical application, explanations on and list of active ingredients and groups of active ingredients

lends the possibility to select products according to microbiological, applicatory and economical aspects

provides documented quality assurance in prophylactic disinfection

covers the most important causative organisms of nosocomial infections

contains only products which were tested according to the current, scientifically proven efficacy tests simulating practice conditions (phase 2/step 2)

**is considered the standard reference for routine disinfection**

### The VAH Disinfectants Commission

issues certificates for disinfectants with a proven efficacy in micro-biological and hygienic test

assesses conformity of disinfectants efficacy tests with the VAH methods and requirements by independent experts

is actively involved in the development of harmonised test methods and European Standards

regularly performs reexaminations of certified products in accredited laboratories

organises multi-center studies for the validation and verification of test procedures and for the quality assurance of test laboratories

provides for transparency by regularly publishing the products which have been certified as well as the test methodology

considers the epidemiological situation of infectious diseases and the concerns of users in the continuing development of methods for efficacy testing of disinfectants

takes the effects on humans and environment into account when applying disinfectants, e. g. by preventing overdosage and other common mistakes in disinfection

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The Disinfectants Commission in the Association for Applied Hygiene (VAH) consists of independent experts and is exclusively dedicated to the protection of public health.

#### Working Groups:

- The „Working Group 4+4“ under the umbrella of the VAH Disinfectants Commission consists of 4 representatives from the industry organisations IHO and BPI and four members from the Disinfectant Commission.
- „Development and certification of virucidal activity in the VAH Disinfectant List“ with members of DWV
- „Applied Disinfection“ with representatives from medical practice

The screenshot shows the top navigation bar of the VAH LISTE website. On the left is the logo 'VAH LISTE' with the tagline 'VAH LIST OF DISINFECTANTS' and 'ISSUE: 11 SEPTEMBER 2018'. In the center is a 'LOGIN' button. On the right are two search options: 'QUICK SEARCH' (highlighted with a blue underline) and 'ADVANCED SEARCH'. Below the navigation bar is the 'QUICK SEARCH' section, which includes a text input field for 'Product name', a blue 'SEARCH' button, and three dropdown menus for 'Field of application', 'Spectrum of activity', and 'Pathogen', all currently set to 'All'.