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Customer:	M/s. Anil & Company		
Process :	Batch Microwave+Convection Heat Treatment for Sterilization of Spices		

# TEST REPORT No: 47/KRDC/LAB/17 Mum 08/01/2020

Date Sample reception : 08/01/2020 ID : 47/LAB/153

#### **SAMPLE DESCRIPTION:**

Sampling : As Requested Sample Condition : Acceptable

Quantity : 2 bags of 25 kg & 1 bag of 5 kg

Sampling date : 08/01/2020
Product : Spices Powder
Requirement : Sterilization
Start Date test : 08/01/2020
End Date test : 08/01/2020

# LABORATORY EXPERIMENTAL SET UP:







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#### LAB BATCH MICROWAVE+CONVECTION HEATING SYSTEM SPECIFICATIONS:

Microwave Power	2 kW(CW)	
Frequency	2450 MHz ± 50	
Convective Power	3.5 kW (air flow 350 l/min at 20°C)	
Microwave Exposure Zone (cavity)	1 cubic meter	
Mode Stirrer	One	
Thermal Monitoring System	Single Channel Fiber Optic: Range -40 to 250°C	
Exhaust Power	1HP	
Tray Size	450x950x50 mm	

#### **ENVIRONMENT-LABORATORY AMBIENT CONDITIONS:**

Temperature (degree C)	36°C (±5°C)
Humidity (%)	≤44% RH
Pressure (kN/m2 or kPa)	Not recorded

**Note for recommendation:** Environmental conditions have a direct impact on test results. Accuracy and consistency of test data are affected by the laboratory conditions





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# **EQUIPMENTS USED:**

Name of Equipment	Picture of Equipment	Specifications	
Compact Thermal Imaging Camera		Model :FLIR E-30 Resolution: 160x 120IR Thermal sensitivity of 0.10°C	
Thermo Hygrometer	TOTAL SERVICE STATE OF THE SER	Model No: HTC-2  Temperature accuracy: ±°C (1.8°F)  Temperature resolution: 0.1°C (0.2°F)  Humidity range: 10%~99% RH  Humidity accuracy: ±5% RH  Humidity resolution: 1% RH	

# **SAMPLE PREPARATION AND METHOD/PROCEDURE:**

The experiment has been performed on Spices bags to speed up the heating rate for sterilization. For this experimental run, given packed bag has been placed in Batch Microwave Heating System and microwave exposure has been given with suitable parameters. Observations have been made on the basis of surface and core temperature of sample.

#### **ANALYTICAL RESULTS:**

1. Trial No.1:

Bag Details: 5 kg Ploy bag Microwave Power: 2 kW

Sr.	Type of Sample	Cycle Time	Surface	Core Temperature
No.		(minutes)	Temperature (°C)	(°C)
1.	Uninoculated sample	10	70-75	79
2.	Inoculated sample	12	90-95	80

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#### 2. Trial No.2:

Bag Details: 25 kg Paper bag & HDPE bag with beneath 1 kg ploy bag.

Placement of bag: Paper bag was at front side and HDPE bag was at back side in chamber.

Microwave Power: 2 kW

Sr.	Bag Type	Cycle Time	Surface	Core Temperature
No.		(minutes)	Temperature (°C)	(°C)
1.	Paper Bag	60	55-75	60
	Beneath Ploy bag			75
2.	HDPE Bag	60	55-75	62
	Beneath Ploy bag			87

#### 3. Trial No.3:

Bag Details: 25 kg Paper bag & HDPE bag

Placement of bag: Trial was taken separately on both the bags with loading at front side of

chamber.

Microwave Power: 2 kW Hot Air Temperature: 100°C

Note: Trial was taken with preheating the chamber at 100°C for 10 minutes.

Sr.	Bag Type	Cycle Time	Surface	Core Temperature
No.		(minutes)	Temperature (°C)	(°C)
1.	Paper Bag	30	60-70	NA
2.	HDPE Bag	30	55-65	NA

# **PICTURES TAKEN AFTER TRIALS:**









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#### **OBSRVATIONS:**

The heating behavior of Spices has been investigated under the Batch Microwave+Covection Heating System. The heating rate is found to be increasing with respect to increasing heating time. As per physical investigation, it has been observed that there is no colour change or burning effect on processed sample and also, no damage to bag.

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