

Antimicrobial Water Pipes



Over time, every water pipe and every tank becomes contaminated with hundreds of species of bacteria, fungi and algae, commonly known as biofilm.



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The growth of harmful microorganisms inside drinking-water distribution pipes and tanks results in a range of undesirable effects. Hence the need to include new, effective, durable and eco-friendly antibacterial agents. d₂p® is a proven antibacterial technology, specifically developed to protect plastic drinking-water pipes from the development and build-up of biofilm.

How microbes enter into distribution pipes

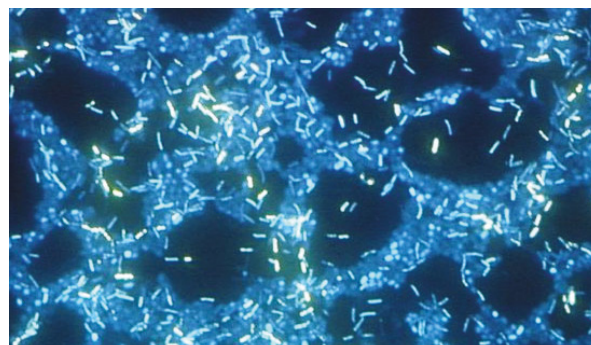
- Water in pipes is not sterile, regardless of the extent to which the water is treated.
- Microbes can enter the distribution pipes by a variety of pathways and populate a microbial biofilm on the inner surface of the pipes and storage tanks.
- Biofilms invariably develop in all drinking water distribution systems, despite the presence of any residual disinfectant introduced at the water-treatment works.

The Facts

- **Every year more than 3.4 million people die as a result of water-borne diseases, making it the leading cause of morbidity and mortality around the world.^[1]**
- **In any, home, hospital, food industry factory, school, office etc. Plastic pipes are today the backbone of water distribution systems.**
- **The expected life of plastic water pipes is more than 50 years.**
- Microbes which exist inside the distribution pipes have the ability to multiply and produce BIOFILM.
- Biofilm poses a threat by hosting many pathogenic and toxin-producing microorganisms which cause:
 - Aesthetic deterioration of water - change in color, odor, taste and turbidity.
 - Blockage of pipes.

Certifications and Compliances of the d₂p® 97000 Masterbatch:

- **NSF/ANSI 61** approved and certified for PE, PP and PVC pipes.^[2]
- **Passed** the ASTM E2180-07 Anti-fungal test with 99.99% kill rate as well as the qualitative ASTM G21-13 with no mould growth.
- **Passed** the ISO 22196:2011 Antibacterial test with 99.999% kill-rate.
- **Polymer passed** the migration test in the U.S. 21 CFR (US FDA) Part 177.1520 Clauses (c)(2.1) and (d).
- **Polymer passed** the migration test as per European Commission Regulation No. 10/2011.
- The active in d₂p® 97000 MBs is registered with the US EPA for the control of fungi and bacteria causing stain, odour and/or degradation of physical properties in polymers used in manufacturing or coating in food contact finished articles.

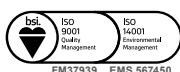


Polymicrobial biofilm epifluorescence.^[3]



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1: According to World Health Organisation (2014)

2: <http://info.nsf.org/Certified/PwsComponents/Listings.asp?Company=CO3280826&Standard=061> (07 August 2018)

3: https://commons.wikimedia.org/wiki/File:Polymicrobial_biofilm_epifluorescence.jpg (16/8/2018)

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