

**STATEMENT ON TWO CENTERS OF EXCELLENCE OF THE GLOBAL VIRUS NETWORK INDEPENDENTLY VERIFYING AN ANTIMICROBIAL TECHNOLOGY THAT ERADICATES SARS-COV-2 ON SURFACES FOR MORE THAN SIX WEEKS**

Over the past few months, the Global Virus Network (GVN) facilitated the testing of a novel disinfectant compound, BIOPROTECT™ by two GVN Centers of Excellence – The Peter Doherty Institute of Infection and Immunology at the University of Melbourne in Australia and the Rega Institute at KU Leuven in Belgium. The data show that BIOPROTECT™, unlike conventional disinfectants, eradicates SARS-CoV-2 (the coronavirus that causes COVID-19) for long periods of times, up to many weeks, with one application. This is a breakthrough in the fight against COVID-19.

The Doherty Institute at University of Melbourne and KU Leuven are top virus research institutions in Australia and Belgium, as indicated by their GVN Center of Excellence status. Each of these GVN Centers had early access to the Wuhan SARS-CoV-2 isolate, as well as high level containment facilities experienced in testing viruses and tools to combat them on surfaces, making them ideal GVN Center candidates to independently test BIOPROTECT™ for longlasting viricidal activity against SARS-CoV-2.

The testing protocols developed jointly by ViaClean Technologies (maker of BIOPROTECT™), Doherty and Rega, were targeted to matching ASTM e1053 test procedures, the gold standard of disinfectant testing for the US EPA.

We are therefore confident in Leuven's findings of a 99.7% reduction in SARS-CoV-2 when exposed to surfaces treated with BIOPROTECT™ 46 days after the product was applied, compared to controls; and, we are confident in Doherty's report that indicates a 99.9% reduction in SARS-CoV-2, compared to controls, 47 days after the product was applied. We find these results not only to be scientifically valid and reliable, but, remarkable and groundbreaking for the fight against COVID-19.



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