

TECHNICAL REPORT

Microbiologic Properties of Flucytosine 500 mg two capsules mixed with BASSA-GEL™ against selected pathogens was assessed and the results are conveyed here.

Executive Summary: Flucytosine 500 mg two capsules (“DRUG”) mixed with BASSA-GEL™ was tested against the identified pathogens and the results of these tests are reported as follows. Should there be only a “blue-line” reported that means the DRUG was so effective against the pathogen that the detection limit was below the assay of the experiment. BASSA-GEL™ is an over-the-counter cosmetic water-washable gel commonly used for skin hydration. Usage of BASSA-GEL™, a cosmetic moisturizer product, in conjunction with an actual DRUG can be useful as the water-washable gel can be washed off solely utilizing water without any physical debriding activity generally being required (while also keeping a DRUG in contact with the targeted area).

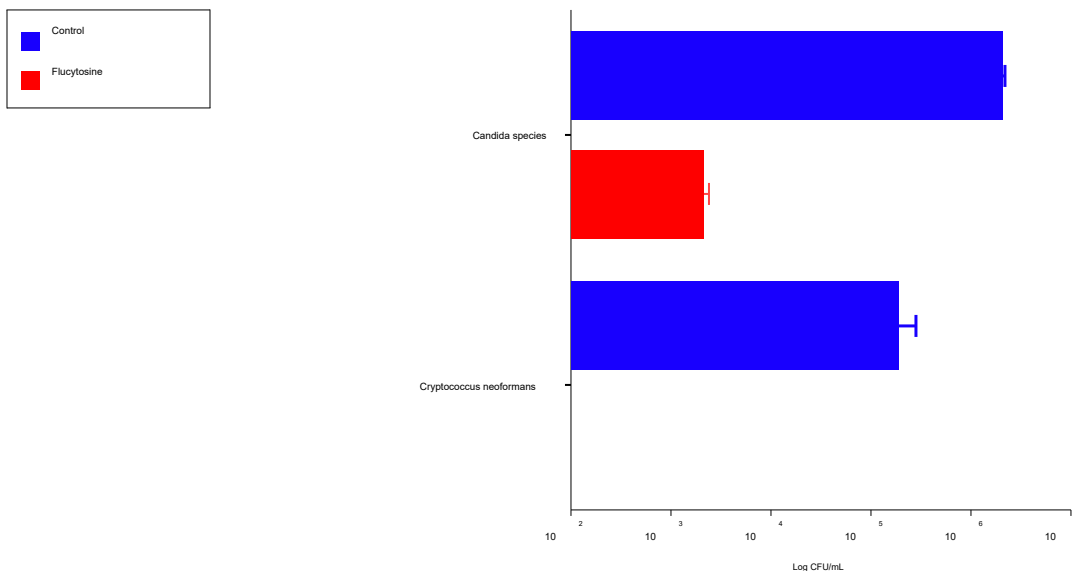
Methods overview: Methods for this laboratory study were adapted from Bearden *et al* and from FDA Docket No. FDA-1975-N-0012.^{1,2} All experiments were performed using the commercially available formulations. Reductions in fungal/yeast counts between agents were determined.

Methods and Results:

Fungal/yeast strains: Pathogens selected are defined in ATCC or CDC AR strains (Table 1, page 2).

Antimicrobial agent: Flucytosine 500 mg capsules (NDC 42494-0340-01) – 2 capsules mixed with BASSA-GEL™

Experiment: Pre-sterilized discs were saturated with $1 \times 10^{7-8}$ CFU/mL of fungal culture, allowed to incubate for 24 hours to mimic *ex vivo* wound infection, exposed to the gel/drug solution or positive control (phosphate buffer saline, PBS), and then incubated aerobically at 37°C for 24 hours. After this time, disks were washed, diluted, and then cultured onto blood agar plates for colony forming unit (CFU/mL) counts using serial dilution spread plate technique. The results are reported below (mean log CFU/mL \pm standard error). As stated above in the executive summary, should there be only a “blue-line” reported that means the DRUG was so effective against the pathogen that the detection limit was below the assay of the experiment.



Interpretation: Flucytosine with BASSA-GEL™ was tested in a model mimicking a bandaged wound. The experiment demonstrated significant reductions in yeast species tested.

Table 1. Organisms Included in Testing

Organism	ATCC/CDC #
Cryptococcus neoformans	14116
Candida parapsilosis-22019	22019

References

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2. Huang DB, Okhuysen PC, Jiang ZD, DuPont HL. Enteroaggregative *Escherichia coli*: an emerging enteric pathogen. *Am J Gastroenterol* 2004;99:383-9.