# Inhibitory effect of HiZox® on C. perfringens

## <u>Place</u>

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## **Objective**

To compare the effects of HiZox and regular zinc oxide on the growth kinetics of *Clostridium perfringens*.

### **Material and method**

Microtiter plates with Zn concentrations from 0 to 128 µl/ml medium **Medium:** LAB078 medium saturated with ZnO or HiZox<sup>®</sup>, centrifuged and autoclaved **Bacteria:** *Clostridium perfringens* strain DSM756 (beta-toxin producing strain) **Products:** standard feed grade zinc oxide vs. HiZox<sup>®</sup> **Measurements:** every 5 minutes in a period of 24 hours, data transformed in growth curves

Statistical analysis: Student's test

#### <u>Results</u>

Lag time (i.e. time before cells started to grow exponentially) was significantly higher for HiZox<sup>®</sup> than for the standard feed-grade zinc oxide.



#### **Conclusion**

HiZox<sup>®</sup> shows better results than standard ZnO for the inhibition of the growth of *Clostridium perfringens.* 

