

INTERNATIONAL BIODETERIORATION RESEARCH GROUP

Wet State Preservation Group: Annual Report 2024

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The Wet State Preservation Group held two meetings in 2024, gathering international experts from industry and academia. Key achievements included:

- Finalization and approval of new methods for efficacy testing in polymer dispersions and aqueous products.
- Progress on a literature review of relevant microorganisms, with new research priorities set for mineral slurries and household products.
- Continued focus on biofilm monitoring and the development of alternative microbiological methods (e.g., ATP, redox).
- Updates to BPR efficacy testing protocols and clarification of inoculum count requirements.
- Productive collaboration between members, with new subgroup initiatives launched for homecare products and population dynamics.

The group remains committed to advancing practical, science-based solutions for wet-state preservation challenges.

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Chair of Wet State Preservation Group (December 2025)