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## VERSAGEL<sup>®</sup> ML

### FAST ABSORBING DRY-FEEL GEL

Versagel<sup>®</sup> technology is used in thousands of cosmetic, pharmaceutical and personal care products around the world. Our innovative patented system for thickening and gelling hydrocarbon materials offers an infinite number of customized rheological properties.

- Clear, colorless (does not discolor with age), hydrophobic, thermally reversible and without syneresis.
- Creates a film barrier for added moisturization, delivers superior stabilization and suspension properties.
- Available in multiple viscosity ranges and compatible with many common ingredients.
- Easier and safer than gels made using metal stearates or fumed silica.
- Provides enhanced fragrance retention and waterproofing properties.

For more than 100 years, Penreco<sup>®</sup> has specialized in niche product blending to meet customer specific requirements. If you are interested in finding out more about the many attributes of our gelled technology, we can provide supporting clinical studies. Please contact your Penreco sales representative and our technical experts will be happy to find a solution that's right for you.

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# VERSAGEL<sup>®</sup> ML

### FAST ABSORBING DRY-FEEL GEL

The Versagel ML products are based on C12-15 Alkyl Benzoate, which provides a light, dry and non-greasy skin feel. It provides superior solubility, broad ingredient compatibility, and water proofing properties. It also brings additional benefits such as suspension and stability of APIs such as organic sunscreen agents and topical pain relievers. It's known as an emulsifier and solubilizer for sunscreen agents and antiperspirant actives. The suggested use level of these gels ranges from 5% to 70%, depending on the specific application. Versagel ML products can be easily combined with other oil-phase ingredients in the formula when they are mixed at elevated temperature. To ensure uniformity during mixing, it is highly recommended that nonpolar or less polar ingredients be added to the gel first. Cyclomethicone and nonpolar esters can also be added to formulations containing Versagel ML materials to modify the aesthetics of finished products.

#### **APPLICATIONS**

- Color Cosmetics: mascara, lipstick, lip liner, lip gloss, rouge, multi-use illuminator, eyeshadow, foundation
- Skin Care: serums, gels, oils, lotions, creams, balms, butters
- Sun Care: self-tanning, sunblock/sunscreen, bronzing gel, after sun, suntan oil
- Hair Care: treatments, conditioners, serums, oils, pomade, colorants

### **TYPICAL PROPERTIES**

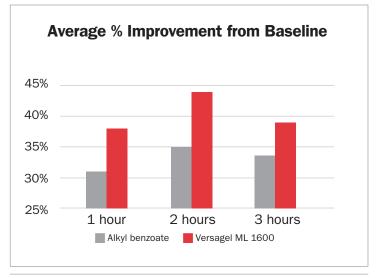
	VISCOSITY @ 25 °C D2983 (cPs)	SPECIFIC GRAVITY @ 25/25 °C D4052	SAYBOLT COLOR D156	FLASHPOINT °C ASTM D92	POLARITY LOG P
VERSAGEL ML (C12-15 Alkyl Benzoate)					
ML 750	99,000	0.9262	+30	>199	8.2
ML 1600	250,000	0.9272	+29	>199	8.2

International Nomenclature of Cosmetic Ingredients (INCI):

C12-15 Alkyl Benzoate (and) Ethylene/Propylene/Styrene Copolymer (and) Butylene/Ethylene/Styrene Copolymer

### CLINICAL EFFECT OF VERSAGEL ON MOISTURIZATION AND SKIN BARRIER REPAIR

A moisturization clinical study measuring transepidermal water loss (TEWL) showed that the gelled C12-15 alkyl benzoate (Versagel ML 1600) outperformed the neat C12-15 alkyl benzoate throughout the test period. The test demonstrates that Versagel ML 1600 exhibits better occlusivity and barrier function imporvement on skin than the same substrate ungelled.



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