

# SULFOROKAnol L270/1 versus SULFOROKAnol L370



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# General characteristic for SULFOROKAnol L270/1, SULFOROKAnol L370

Basic physical and chemical properties are summarized in the table below.

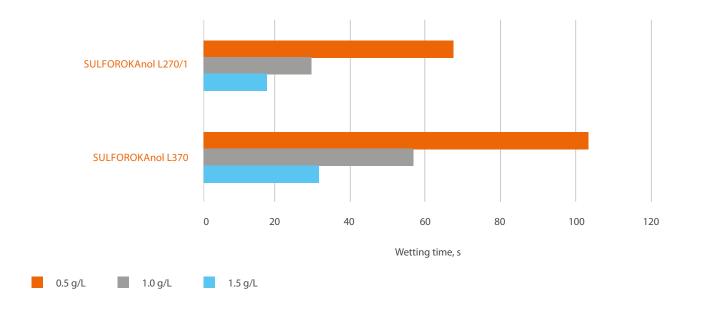
	SULFOROKAnol L270/1	SULFOROKAnol L370
Chemical name	Alcohols C12-C14, ethoxylated (<2,5 EO), sulfates, sodium salts	Alcohols C12-C15, ethoxylated (>2.5 EO), sulfates, sodium salts
CAS number	68891-38-3	125301-92-0
INCI name	Sodium Laureth Sulfate	Sodium C12-C15 Pareth Sulfate
Function	Anionic surfactant, cleaning and foaming agent	Anionic surfactant, cleaning and foaming agent
Appearance at temperature 20÷25°C	liquid paste	liquid paste
Klett colour, Klett value	max 30	max 50
pH of 5% solution, at 25°C	7.0-10.0	7.5-10.5
Active substance, %(m/m)	68-72	68-72
Unsulphonated substances, %(m/m)	max 3	max 4.5
Sodium sulphate (VI), %(m/m)	max 1	max 2
Molecular weight, g/mol	approx. 384	approx. 445
Density, g/ml	approx. 1.1 (at 20°C)	approx. 1.1 (at 20°C)

<sup>\*</sup> Bolded parameters are guaranteed technical requirements

#### Wetting capability

In a large number of applications, the capability of effective wetting is desired property of surfactants. The wetting capability of cotton fabric was determined according to EN 1772:2001 method. Wetting time was

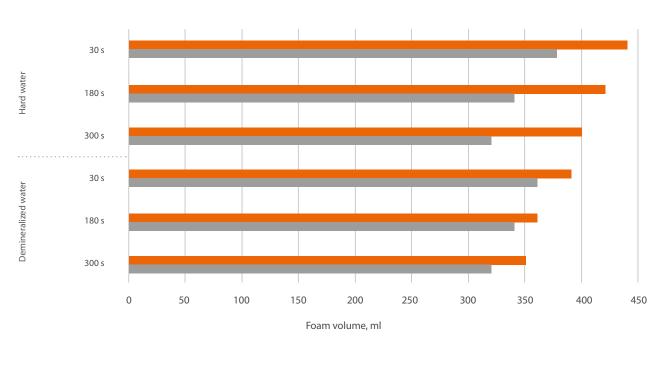
measured in solutions with a concentration of 0.5, 1.0 and 1.5 g/l in demineralized water at a temperature of 20  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ 



### Foaming capability

Foaming capability was measured according to modified Ross-Miles' method (PN-ISO 696:1994). The foam value was measured after 30, 180

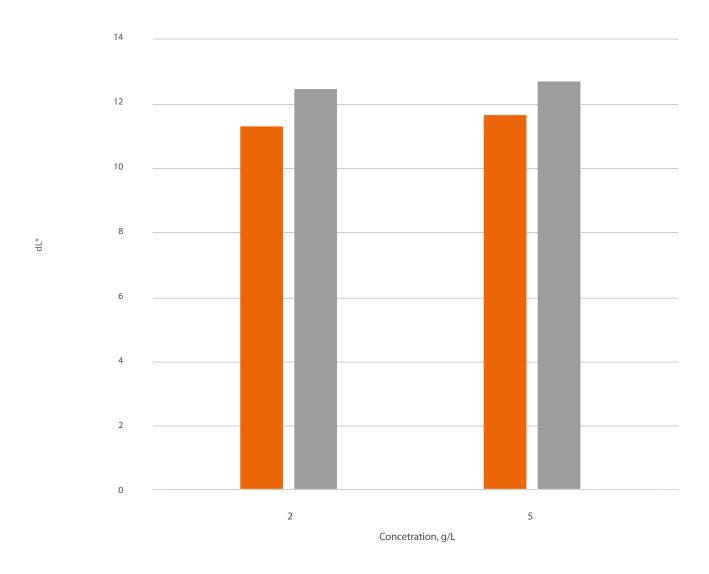
and 300 seconds. The modified Ross-Miles method, 1.0 g/L for active content, 25°C. The results were presented on graphs:



#### **Detergency**

Detergency is the ability of the surfactant to remove soils from the fabric surface during the laundering process. Detergency tests were performed using to own method, with an EMPA 125 fabric: soiled with a mixture of oils and carbon black. Cotton was washed at

a temperature 40°C. After drying the fabrics and pressing them, the total color difference of the fabric before and after washing, was measured. The higher the difference is, the better detergency properties are for surfactant.



The dL\* parameter is described by perceptually uniform, trichromatic color models: CIE LAB and CIE LCH. The following is an interpretation of this parameter: L\* is defined as lightness (luminosity), while dL\* is determined by the equation:

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 $dL^* = L^*T - L^*S$ 

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where: T – tested sample (fabric after the detergency test), S – standard to which the tested sample is compared (fabric before the detergency test). The higher the dL\* value, the better the detergent effectiveness.

## **Solubility**

Determination of the solubility of products is carried out by visual evaluation of 1%, 10% and 50% solutions of a given product in a specified solvent, 24 hours after their preparation. Visually, the appearance of the sample is evaluated according to the following scale:

The results of the samples (1%, 10% and 50%) are added up and on this basis the solubility of the product is determined. The following table gives the solubility scales according to the sum of the appearance scale results:

Result	Appearance of the test sample
1	Homogeneous clear
2	Homogeneous opalescent
3	Homogeneous cloudy
4	Macroscopic phase separation

Sum	Solubility
3 – 6	Soluble
7 – 9	Partially soluble
10 – 12	Insoluble

Product	Demineralized water	Methanol	Ethyl ether	Acetone
SULFOROKAnol L270/1	Soluble	Partially soluble	Insoluble	Insoluble
SULFOROKAnol L370	Soluble	Partially soluble	Partially soluble	Insoluble



# **Viscosity**

Viscosity comparison of the formulation with SULFOROKAnol L270/1 and SULFOROKAnol L370 were presented below. Viscosity was

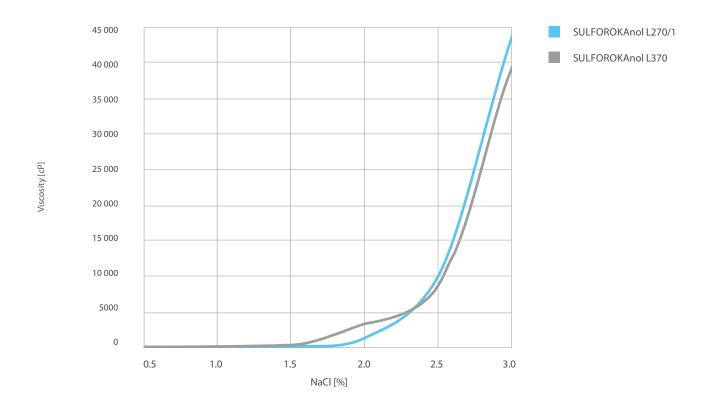
measured at temperature at 20  $^{\circ}\text{C}.$  Information about the formulation used for comparisons below.

#### **Formulations:**

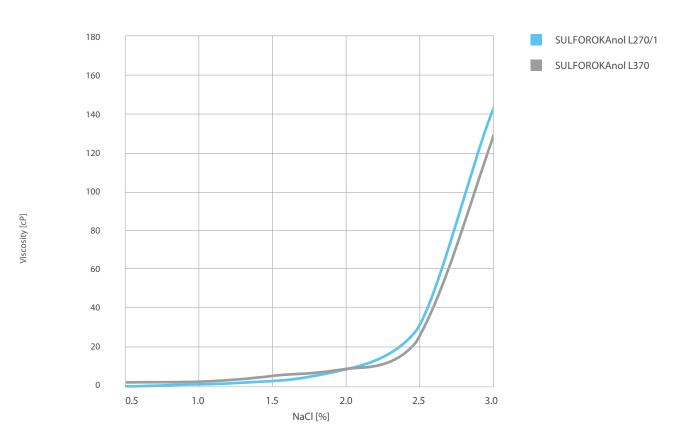
	Formulation I	
	SULFOROKAnol L270/1	SULFOROKAnol L370
Compound	Concent	ration [%]
SULFOROKAnol L270/1	8.0 (active matter)	-
SULFOROKAnol L370	-	8.0 (active matter)
Cocamidopropyl Betaine	7	7.0
NaCl	0.5	5-3.0
Water	up to 100.0	
	Formulation II	
	SULFOROKAnol L270/1	SULFOROKAnol L370
Compound	Concent	ration [%]
SULFOROKAnol L270/1	4.0 (active matter)	-
SULFOROKAnol L370	-	4.0 (active matter)
Cocamidopropyl Betaine	3.4	
NaCl	0.5-3.0	
Water	up to 100.0	



#### SULFOROKAnol L270/1 vs SULFOROKAnol L370 (8% active matter) - I



#### SULFOROKAnol L270/1 vs SULFOROKAnol L370 (4% active matter) - II



#### **Home Care formulation**

Examples of household formulations are presented below. The table contains the percentage compositions of the formulations, below is the preparation method.

# Gel for cleaning tiles

INCI name	Brand name	Concentration [%]	Functi	on
Sodium Laureth Sulfate / Sodium C12-15 Pareth Sulfate	SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370	5.0	cleaning agent / fo	oaming agent
Alcohols, C13-15-ethoxylated	ROKAnol TMP7	7.0	cleaning a	agent
Sodium Carbonate	Sodium Carbonate	2.0	pH regul	ator
Aqua and additives*	Water	up to 100.0	solver	nt
* Additives: preservatives, dyes, fragrances	and others	Appearance pH	visual method	clear liquid 10–11
		Viscosity [cP]	Brookfield LV, T: 20°C	200-800

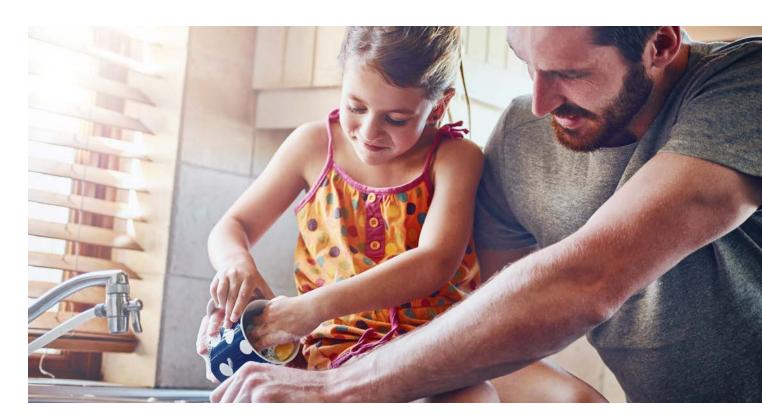
- 1. Mix SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370 with water until dissolved.
- 2. Add ROKAnol TMP7 and mix.
- **3.** Then add Sodium Carbonate and mix.
- **4.** Check the pH in the mass.



# **Concentrated Dishwashing Liquid**

INCI name	Brand name	Concentration [%]	Functio	on
Sodium Laureth Sulfate/ Sodium C12-15 Pareth Sulfate	SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370	15.0	cleaning agent / fo	paming agent
Cocamidopropyl Betaine	ROKAmina K30	15.0	cleaning agent / fo	paming agent
Glycerin	Glycerin	7.0	humecta	ant
Panthenol	D-Panthenol	1.0	active subs	stance
Sodium Chloride	Sodium Chloride	0.5	rheology m	odifier
Aqua and additives*	Water	up to 100.0	solven	t
* Additives: preservatives, dyes, fragrances	and others	Appearance pH	visual method	liquid gel 7.0–8.0
		Viscosity [cP]	Brookfield LV, T: 20°C	2000-5000

- 1. Mix SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370 with water until dissolved.
- 2. Add ROKAmina K30 and mix.
- **3.** Then add Glycerin, D-Panthenol and mix.
- 4. Then add Sodium Chloride and mix
- **5.** Check the pH in the mass.



# Low-Temp Liquid Detergent, LTLD

INCI name	Brand name	Concentration [%]	Function
Sodium Laureth Sulfate/ Sodium C12-15 Pareth Sulfate	SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370	14.6	removes stains/ foaming agent
Alcohols, C12-18 ethoxylated	ROKAnol C7	9.0	breaks down stains
Potassium Cocoate	EXOsoft PC35	7.0	breaks down stains
Tetrasodium Glutamate Diacetate	Glutamic acid, N,N-diacetic acid, tetra sodium salt (GLDA)	3.0	chelator
Sodium Citrate	Sodium citrate	2.5	chelator
Enzymes	Multi-enzyme blend, liquid	0.5	breaks down different types of stains
Fluorescent Brightener	Fluorescent brightener	0.1	optical brightener
Citric Acid	Citric acid, monohydrate, 50%	for pH ~ 7.5	pH regulator
Aqua and additives*	Water	up to 100.0	solvent

<sup>\*</sup> Additives: preservatives, dyes, fragrances and others

Appearance	visual method	liquid
рН		7.0-8.0
Viscosity [cP]	Brookfield LV, T: 20°C	200-600

- 1. Mix Fluorescent Brightener with water until dissolved.
- **2.** Add Sodium Citrate and mix until a homogeneous solution is obtained.
- 3. Then add SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370 and mix.
- **4.** Add ROKAnol C7 and mix.
- **5.** Then add EXOsoft PC35 and mix a homogeneous solution is obtained.
- 6. Add GLDA, mix.
- **7.** Add Citric Acid to obtained pH in the mass around 7.5.
- **8.** Finally, add Enzymes and mix until a clear liquid is obtained.



# **Liquid for Washing Delicate And Woollen Fabrics- ECO-Friendly**

INCI name	Brand name	Concentration [%]	Function	on
Sodium Laureth Sulfate/ Sodium C12-15 Pareth Sulfate	SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370	11.4	removes stains/ fo	paming agent
Alcohols, C9-11 + EO/PO	ROKAnol LP3135	5.0	removes stains/ fo	paming agent
Potassium Oleate	EXOsoft PO30	15.0	removes stains/ fo	paming agent
Sodium polyacrylates	EXOlat C40	3.0	sequestring/dispe	ersing agents
Cellulase	Cellulase	1.0	active subs	stance
Aqua and additives*	Water	up to 100.0	solver	nt
* Additives: preservatives, dyes, fragrances a	and others	Appearance pH	visual method	clear liquid 8.0–10.0
		Viscosity [cP]	Brookfield LV, T: 20°C	<200

- 1. Mix SULFOROKAnol L270/1 or SULFOROKAnol L370 with water until dissolved.
- 2. Add ROKAnol LP3135 and mix.
- 3. Then add EXOsoft PO30, EXOlat C40 and mix.
- **4.** Then add Cellulase and mix
- **5.** Check the pH in the mass.



#### **Detergency of laundry formulations**

Effectiveness of the formulation was confirmed in a detergency test. Detergency is the ability of the detergent to remove soils from the fabric surface during the laundering process. Detergency tests were performed using to own method on fabric soiled with standard, different dirt:

1. Fluid make-up, 2. Curry, 3. Blood, aged, 4. Wine, aged, 5. Spaghetti sauce with beef, 6. Chocolate ice cream, aged, 7. Grass/mud, with thickening agent, 8. Highly discriminative tea, 9. Grass, pure, 10. Baby food carrot/potato, 11. Standard clay, 12. Beta-carotene on cotton, circular stain, 13. Dirty Motor Oil (DMO), 14. Butterfat with colorant, 15. Beef fat, colored with Sudan Red.

#### Tested dirt divided into three categories:

#### **Enzymatic**

- · Blood, aged
- · Chocolate ice cream, aged

#### **Bleachable**

- Curry
- · Wine, aged
- · Grass/mud, with thickening agent
- · Highly discriminative tea
- Grass, pure
- Standard clay
- Beta-carotene on cotton, circular stain
- Baby food carrot/potato

#### Greasy

- Fluid make-up
- Spaghetti sauce with beef
- Butter with colorant
- Beef fat, colored with Sudan Red
- Dirty Motor Oil (DMO)

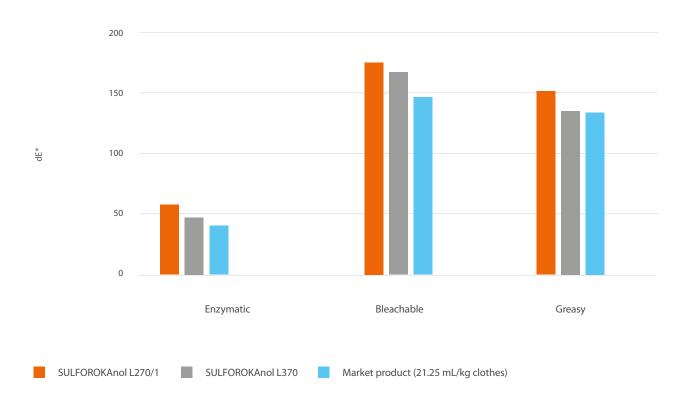
# Detergency test was performed under the following conditions:

- · automatic washing machine
- water hardness (13 °dH)
- cotton program, 40°C
- load 2 kg dry, white towels
- dose 30 ml of formulation
- fabric soiled with standard dirt

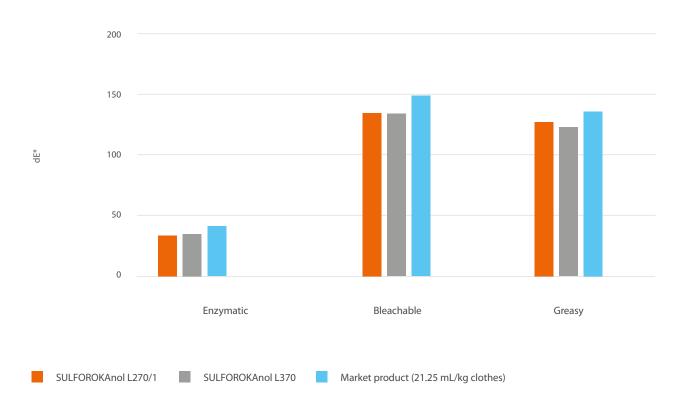
After the washing process was performed, the standardly soiled fabrics were dried and then the degree of washing was assessed by measuring parameter dE\* from the CIELab scale, as the difference between the initially stain and the degree of its washing - higher dE\*, better detergency.



#### Low-Temp Liquid Detergent (15ml/kg clothes)



#### Liquid For Washing Delicate And Woollen Fabric (15ml/kg clothes)



#### **Personal Care formulation**

# 2 in 1 Shampoo and Conditioner

Phase	INCI name	Brand name	Concentration [%]	Function
A1	Xanthan Gum	-	0.50	rheology modifier
A1	Glycerin	-	1.00	solvent
В	Sodium C12-15 Pareth Sulfate	SULFOROKAnol L370	15.00	surfactant
В	Cocamidopropyl Betaine	ROKAmina K30	10.00	surfactant
С	Glycol Distearate , Laureth-4, Cocoamidopropyl Betaine	EXOpearl SF	1.00	surfactant
D	Panthenol	-	1.00	active
D	PPG-15 Stearyl Ether	ROKAnol SP15L	1.50	emollient
D	Parfum	-	0.50	fragrance
Е	Sodium Benzoate	-	0.40	preservative
F	Lactic Acid	-	0.30	pH adjuster
А	Aqua	-	68.80	solvent

Appearance pH Viscosity [cP] Stability visual method

Brookfield LV, spindle 34, speed 3.0 RPM, T:  $25^{\circ}$ C 1 month in  $5^{\circ}$ C,  $20^{\circ}$ C,  $40^{\circ}$ C

white with pearl effect 4.7–5.5

5000-8000 confirmed

- **1.** Mix ingredients from phase A1 and next add to warm water (40-45°C). Mix until homogenous solution is obtained.
- 2. Cool the batch down to at least 35°C.
- **3.** Add phase B during mixing. Mix until homogenous solution is obtained.
- **4.** Add phase C-E ingredients while mixing- mix until uniform.
- **5.** Adjust pH by Lactic Acid to 5.0-5.4

# **Cleansing Mousse**

Phase	INCI name	Brand name	Concentration [%]	Function
Α	Aqua	-	86.55	solvent
Α	Disodium Laureth Sulfosuccinate	EXOsoft L3/40	1.50	surfactant
Α	Sodium C12-15 Pareth Sulfate	SULFOROKAnol L370	5.00	surfactant
Α	Cocamidopropyl Betaine	ROKAmina K30	2.00	surfactant
В	Glycerin	-	3.00	humectant
В	Alantoina	-	0.50	active
В	Panthenol	-	0.50	active
В	Parfum	-	0.25	fragrance
С	Sodium Benzoate	-	0.40	preservative
D	Lactic Acid	-	0.30	pH adjuster

Appearancevisual methodclear liquidpH4.3-4.9Stability1 month in 5°C, 20°C, 40°Cconfirmed

- $\textbf{1.} \ \, \text{Add ingredients from phase A to warm water (40-45 ^{\circ}\text{C})}. \, \text{Mix until homogenous solution is obtained}.$
- **2.** Cool the batch down to at least 35°C.
- **3.** Add phase B during mixing. Mix until homogenous solution is obtained.
- 4. Add Sodium Benzoate and mix.
- **5.** Adjust pH by Lactic Acid to 4.4-4.8

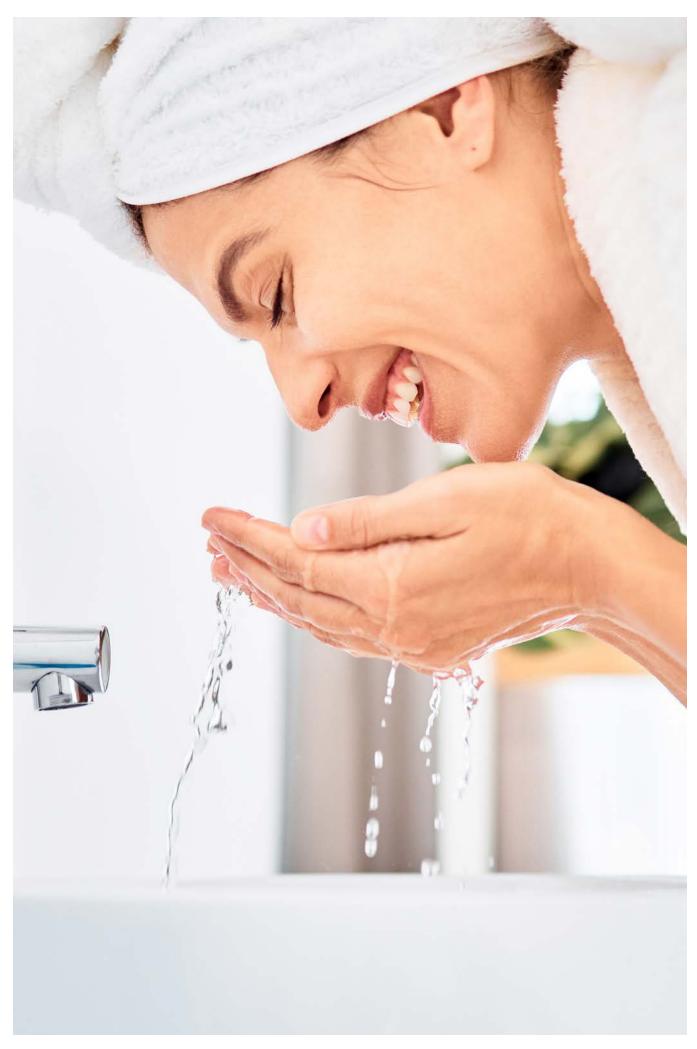


# **Moisturizing Face Wash Gel**

Phase	INCI name	Brand name	Concentration [%]	Function
Α	Sodium C12-15 Pareth Sulfate	SULFOROKAnol L370	8.00	surfactant
Α	PEG-6 Caprylic/Capric Glycerides	ROKAcet CC6	4.00	surfactant
Α	Polysorbate 20	ROKwinol 20	0.20	solubilizer
Α	Poloxamer 184	EXOmer L64	0.70	surfactant
В	Glycerin	-	1.00	active
В	Betaine	-	1.20	active
С	Parfum	-	0.30	fragrance
С	Sodium Benzoate	-	0.40	preservative
D	Citric Acid	-	0.10	pH adjuster
Е	Sodium Chloride	-	0.50	rheology modifier
Α	Aqua	-	83.60	solvent
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Appearance<br/>pHvisual methodClear transparent gel<br/>4.8-5.2Viscosity [cP]Brookfield LV, spindle 34, speed 3.0 RPM, T: 25°C1000-2000Stability1 month in 5°C, 20°C, 40°Cconfirmed

- 1. Add ingredients from phase A to warm water (40-45°C). Mix until homogenous solution is obtained.
- 2. Cool the batch down to at least 35°C.
- 3. Mix phase B and add during mixing. Mix until homogenous solution is obtained.
- **4.** Add phase C while mixing- mix until uniform.
- 5. Adjust pH by Citric Acid to 4.8-5.2
- 6. Add Sodium Chloride and check viscosity.





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