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Comments

Biomarine will fully support activities towards research in this area. The BioPak 240R has been placed under NFPA 1981 flame testing in Cortland, New York and under EN1376 flame testing in Essen, Germany with positive results. The testing conducted under EN137 did not involve inducing a leak in the facepiece as described under Docket #NIOSH-123; however, it is Biomarine's opinion that the BioPak 240R would be able to pass this testing as well. Our only concern with the induced leakage test is what the "hair-like" material would be in the test. Since I believe that this sort of testing was successfully conducted in Germany with A BG4 apparatus that the test criteria utilized in Germany could also be utilized in the USA.
Contact me with any support or assistance Biomarine can provide.