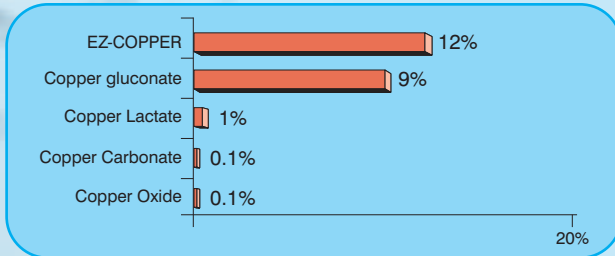


# EZ-Copper<sup>®</sup>

## BENEFITS

1. Excellent solubility
2. Excellent taste profile compared to other commercially available copper sources
3. 40% more copper than copper gluconate
4. Very clear and stable solution
5. Excellent PH range is mild on the stomach

## SOLUBILITY in H<sub>2</sub>O at 25 degrees C



## APPLICATIONS

1. Functional water & beverages
2. Multi-mineral tablets
3. Soya milk
4. Yogurt
5. Cereal bars & nutritional mixes

## APPEARANCE

1. Light Bluish-green powder
2. Copper Content 18%-21%
3. Particle Size – Greater than 95% passing thru US 16 Mesh
4. Solubility = 12% in water at 25 degrees C

## MICROBIOLOGY

1. Total Aerobic Count < 1000 cfu/g
2. Total Yeasts & Moulds < 200 cfu/g
3. Salmonella (10g) = absent
4. Pseudomonas aeruginosa (10g) = absent
5. E Coli (10g) = absent

## CERTIFICATIONS

1. Kosher – STAR K
2. HACCP – Codex Alimentarius
3. GMP – World Health Organisation Norms
4. HALAL – ISOM
5. ISO 9000 & ISO 14000

## LABELLING

Labelled as : copper gluconate & lactic acid. All three are included in the US GRAS list for use as direct substances.

## PHYSIOLOGICAL FUNCTIONS

Copper is a component of prolyl and lysyl hydroxylases, enzymes involved in collagen synthesis. Because of this, connective tissue-rich tissues such as capillaries, scar tissue, and bone matrix are most sensitive to copper status. Copper also functions at the catalytic site of the antioxidant enzyme superoxide dismutase

## DEFICIENCY MANIFESTATIONS

Skeletal abnormalities, reproductive difficulties, impaired nervous tissue function, and changes in hair and skin pigmentation have been observed in severe copper deficiency. A role for copper in the maintenance of bone mass has been determined from observations of osteoporosis in preterm infants born with inadequate copper reserves.

