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Marinite Composition

Your letter of April 9 to Mr. E. [redacted] has been referred to this section for a reply.

We believe a satisfactory definition of Marinite for a physician would be; "A low density sheet material composed of asbestos fiber and hydrated mono-calcium silicate". If it is desirable to give him more information than this, we may add the following:

1. In the presence of water, Marinite is slightly alkaline. This alkalinity is equivalent to one-half grain of sodium bicarbonate dissolved in 200 cc of water. (Average dose of sodium bicarbonate is 15 grains, larger doses in gastric ulcer.)

2. There are no soluble or insoluble toxic materials in Marinite.

3. The soluble materials in Marinite are present only in very small quantities (traces).

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