# Series available from CABA

Australian Baseline series	Epoxy resin series	Photographic series
Cosmetic series	Isocyanate series	Plastic and glue series
Rubber series	Formaldehyde series	Prosthetic joint series
Antiseptic series	Hairdressing series	Prosthetic joint CONTROL series
Additional Cosmetic series	Leg ulcer series	Plant series
Bakery series	Local anaesthetic series	Plant- extracts series
Bakery extra spices series	Medicament series	Compositae series
Cheilitis – common and rare series	Metals series	Scandinavian photo patch test series
Corticosteroid series	Meth acrylate series (MAP) Printing	Shoe series
Dental screening series	Meth acrylate series (MAAD) Adhesives, dental, other	Sunscreen series- common and rare series
Dental patients	Meth acrylate series (MAN) Nails, artificial	Tape- adhesive series
Dental staff	Nurses series	Textile colours and finisher series (common and rare)
Drug reaction series	Oil and cooling fluid series	Toothpaste series
Fragrance (common and rare series)	Ophthalmic series	Various series
Jewellery	Paint series (2 pages)	
Other essential oils series	Paraben series	1
Perfume extras series	Pesticide series	1

## How to register for CABA:

This can be done by:

- Downloading a registration form off our website www.occderm.asn.au
- Emailing <u>apalmer@occderm.asn.au</u>
- Phoning 03 9623 9402.





# A Mail Order Patch Testing Service



Available from the Occupational Dermatology Research and Education Centre, Skin and Cancer Foundation Melbourne.

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Contact Allergen Bank Australia (CABA) is an initiative in Australia to assist dermatologists to diagnose allergic contact dermatitis (ACD). It involves the preparation of individualised patch tests which are sent out to dermatologists' practices.

#### **Benefits of CABA**

- To provide Australian dermatologists, particularly those in regional and rural areas access to comprehensive patch testing resources, available in a timely manner
- More comprehensive than other commercially available pre-prepared patch tests
- Allows easy access to over 400 allergens
- Allows patients who have persistent dermatitis to be patch tested to exclude allergy
- Access to expert advice via phone or email
- Cost effective for dermatologists with minimal costs associated with nursing staff and no outlay for purchase of allergens.

#### How CABA works:

Dermatologists that are interested in patch testing need to register for CABA. Once registered, dermatologists can order allergens for their patients. Orders can be lodged online or via fax order form or email. Dermatologists then select the patch test series or individual allergens they would like to test on a particular patient. The patch tests are then prepared and mailed to the dermatologist (Australia Post Express postage) together with a test sheet.

Dermatologists also have access to many of the patch testing resources available in PatchCams, such as the 70 allergen information sheets, patch testing guides, patient handouts about dermatitis, skin care and latex allergy.

#### What to order:

Generally it is recommended that all patients are tested with the Australian Baseline Series (ABS). This series of 60 allergens contains the most common causes of allergy seen in Australia.

To assist you when dealing with occupational cases, we have developed a list of occupational groups we commonly see, and have recommended test allergens and series. Similarly we have a comprehensive list of recommended tests for general causes of contact dermatitis.

#### Time of receiving allergen order:

Please give at least one weeks notice from lodging an order to receiving the order. When ordering allergens please specify what date you plan on using the tests, so they can be prepared and sent accordingly. Orders are filled on Monday and Wednesday.

## Storage of patches

The patches are mailed in a special patch transport container, which are air tight and maintains the condition of the allergens.

Once allergens are received, they should be stored in the fridge, out of direct sunlight.



Example of PatchTransport ® Supplied by amsl allergy, australasian medical & scientific ltd

Price List: (Current 2014)

Below is the price range for allergens.

<u>An example of costs</u>: For an order of a complete ABS plus a cosmetic series = \$190 plus \$20 postage and handling.

Number of Allergens	Price List (plus GST)	Postage and Handling
1 to 3 allergens	\$10	\$10
4 to 5 allergens	\$15	\$10
6 to 10 allergens	\$30	\$20
11 to 20 allergens	\$50	\$20
21 to 30 allergens	\$75	\$20
31 to 40 allergens	\$100	\$20
41 to 50 allergens	\$125	\$20
51 to 60 allergens	\$140	\$20
61 to 70 allergens	\$165	\$20
71 to 80 allergens	\$190	\$20
81 to 90 allergens	\$215	\$20
91 to 100 allergens	\$240	\$20
101 to 110 allergens	\$265	\$20
111 to 120 allergens	\$290	\$20
More than 121 allergens - Each additional patch (10 allergens) is \$25.		