



# American Tripoli: A Natural Abrasive for Friction

**COLORS:** Rose and Cream

**GRADE:** Trifil

**SCREEN ANALYSES (Typical Cumulative % passing Tyler Screen):**

MESH	TRIFIL
35	100.00
48	100.00
65	99.9
100	99.7
150	98.8
200	98.1

CHEMICAL ANALYSIS (%) TYPICAL VALUES	ROSE TRIFIL	CREAM TRIFIL
SiO <sub>2</sub>	94.03	98.33
TiO <sub>2</sub>	0.08	0.04
Al <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	2.34	0.71
Fe <sub>2</sub> O <sub>3</sub>	0.83	0.20
FeO	0.03	0.02
MnO	0.01	0.03
MgO	0.23	0.06
CaO	0.89	0.24
Na <sub>2</sub> O	0.03	0.04
K <sub>2</sub> O	0.16	0.09
P <sub>2</sub> O <sub>5</sub>	0.01	0.02
CO <sub>2</sub>	0.03	0.01
Unreported	1.33	0.19
Loss on Ignition	1.85	0.55
pH	5.3 - 6.0	6.2 - 7.0
Fusion point (°C)	1640	1707
Bulk density (lb/cu. ft)	45	45
Oil absorption (g/100g)	40 - 48	40 - 48

## TRIFIL: ABRASIVE REPLACEMENT

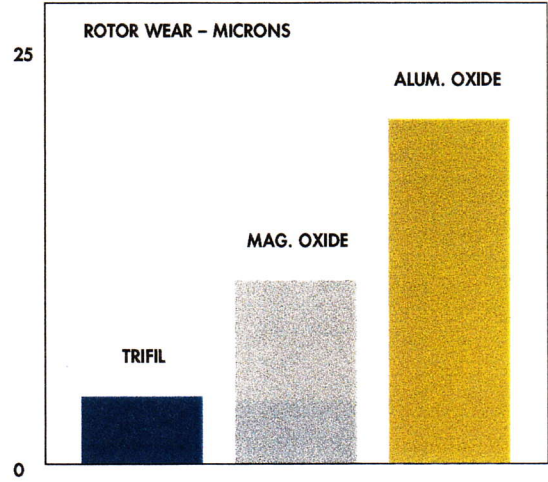
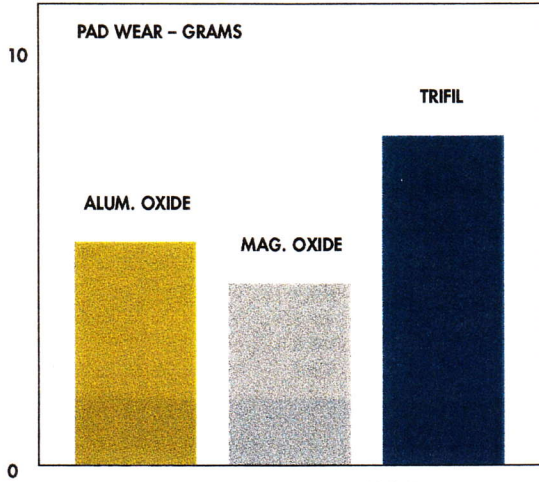
### 100% Replacement

- Trifil polishes the rotor drum, with a tendency for a slightly lower friction
- No scoring as with abrasives
- Greatly reduced cost compared to other abrasives
- This will require reformulating

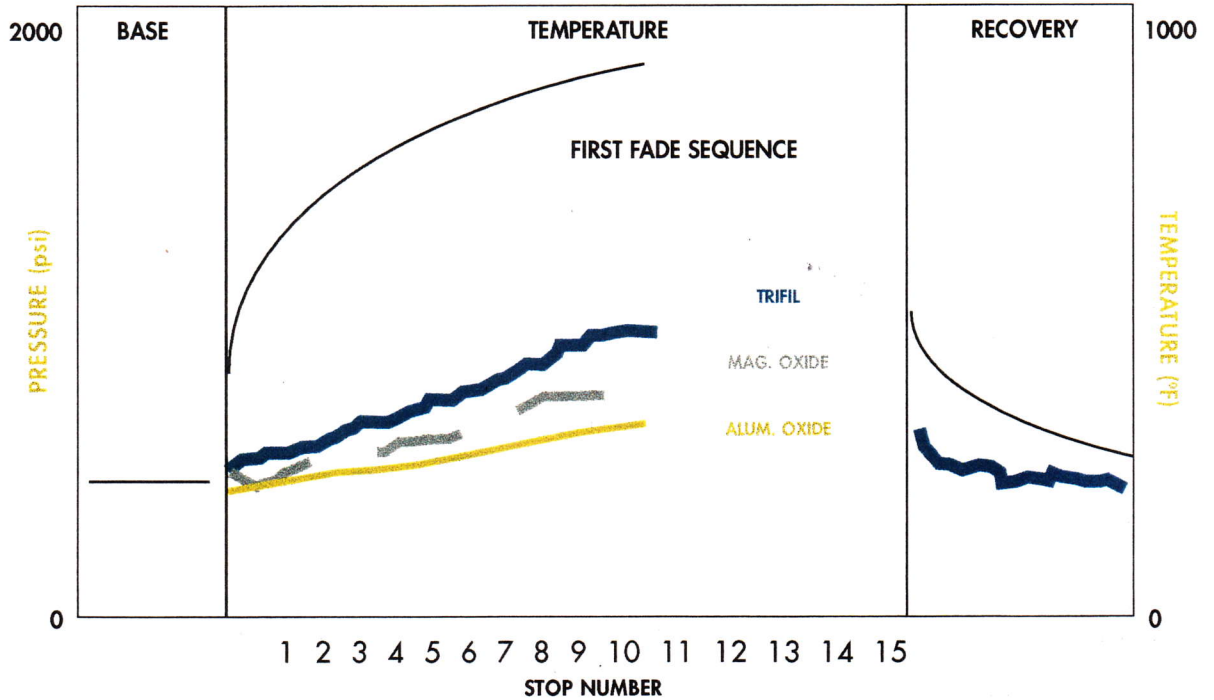
### Partial Replacement

- At 50/50 ratio there is little or no change in performance characteristics
- Polishes the surface. No score marks
- Appears to be able to replace 50% of the expensive abrasives in disc brake pads and truck blocks - Aluminum Oxides, Zirconium Oxides and Silicates, Silicon Carbide, etc.
- Lowers cost

**TRIFIL: DYNAMOMETER WEAR RESULTS**



**FADE RECOVERY - INFLUENCE OF ABRASIVE TYPE**



**PERFORMANCE EFFECTS**

- Least Rotor Wear with Trifil
- Trifil Polishes the Rotor with no Scoring



**AMERICAN TRIPOLI** 100 PERCENT REPLACEMENT OF ALUM. OXIDE  
SEMI-METALLIC FORMULATION

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
ABRASIVES	3.45

RAW MATERIALS	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	BATCH WEIGHT	WEIGHT PERCENT	VOLUME	VOLUME PERCENT
Phenolic	1.25	10	10.00	8.00	27.59
Barium Sulfate	4.33	18	18.00	4.16	14.34
Cashew Particles	1.15	3	3.00	2.61	9.00
Steel Wool 205	7.86	32	32.00	4.07	14.04
Iron Sponge	7.82	20	20.00	2.56	8.82
Kevlar®	1.44	2	2.00	1.39	4.79
Aluminum Oxide	3.95	4	4.00	1.01	3.49
Graphite 3226	2.26	6	6.00	2.65	9.16
Antimony Trisulfide	4.6	2	2.00	0.43	1.50
Calcium Carbonate	2.71	1	1.00	0.37	1.27
Reclaim Rubber	1.15	2	2.00	1.74	6.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>28.99</b>	<b>100.00</b>

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
TRIPOLI	3.41

RAW MATERIALS	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	BATCH WEIGHT	WEIGHT PERCENT	VOLUME	VOLUME PERCENT
<b>TRIPOLI</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>4</b>	<b>4.00</b>	<b>1.38</b>	<b>4.76</b>
Phenolic	1.25	10	10.00	8.00	27.59
Barium Sulfate	4.33	18	18.00	4.16	14.34
Cashew Particles	1.15	3	3.00	2.61	9.00
Steel Wool 205	7.86	32	32.00	4.07	14.04
Iron Sponge	7.82	20	20.00	2.56	8.82
Kevlar®	1.44	2	2.00	1.39	4.79
Aluminum Oxide	3.95	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Graphite 3226	2.26	6	6.00	2.65	9.16
Antimony Trisulfide	4.6	2	2.00	0.43	1.50
Calcium Carbonate	2.71	1	1.00	0.37	1.27
Reclaim Rubber	1.15	2	2.00	1.74	6.00
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>100</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>29.36</b>	<b>101.26</b>

**PERFORMANCE EFFECTS**

- Rotor Surface Polishes - No Scoring
- Performance Almost Identical



**AMERICAN TRIPOLI** 100 PERCENT REPLACEMENT OF ALUM. OXIDE  
NON-FERROUS FORMULATION

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
ABRASIVES	2.35

RAW MATERIALS	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	BATCH WEIGHT	WEIGHT PERCENT	VOLUME	VOLUME PERCENT
Phenolic	1.25	14	12.09	9.67	22.76
Barium Sulfate	4.33	43	37.13	8.58	20.18
Cashew Particles	1.15	5.8	5.01	4.36	10.25
Vermiculite	2.25	8.6	7.43	3.30	7.77
Reclaim Rubber	1.15	5.8	5.01	4.36	10.25
Kevlar®	1.44	2.9	2.50	1.74	4.09
Aluminum Oxide	3.95	2.9	2.50	0.63	1.49
Graphite 3226	2.26	5.8	5.01	2.22	5.22
Copper Fiber	8.92	2	1.73	0.19	0.46
NYAD® G	2.9	25	21.59	7.44	17.52
Fiberfrax	2.7	5	4.32	1.60	3.76
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>115.8</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>42.49</b>	<b>100.00</b>

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
AMERICAN TRIPOLI	2.28

RAW MATERIALS	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	BATCH WEIGHT	WEIGHT PERCENT	VOLUME	VOLUME PERCENT
<b>TRIFIL</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.57</b>	<b>0.89</b>	<b>2.02</b>
Phenolic	1.25	14	12.40	9.92	22.64
Barium Sulfate	4.33	43	38.09	8.80	20.08
Cashew Particles	1.15	5.8	5.14	4.47	10.20
Vermiculite	2.25	8.6	7.62	3.39	7.73
Reclaim Rubber	1.15	5.8	5.14	4.47	10.20
Kevlar®	1.44	2.9	2.57	1.78	4.07
Aluminum Oxide	3.95	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Graphite 3226	2.26	5.8	5.14	2.27	5.19
Copper Fiber	8.92	2	1.77	0.20	0.45
NYAD® G	2.9	25	22.14	7.64	17.43
Fiberfrax	2.7	5	4.43	1.64	3.74
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>112.9</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>43.81</b>	<b>100.00</b>

**PERFORMANCE EFFECTS**

- Rotor Surface Polishes - No Scoring
- Slightly More Fade



**AMERICAN TRIPOLI** 50 PERCENT REPLACEMENT OF ALUM. OXIDE  
NON-FERROUS FORMULATION

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
ABRASIVES	2.35

RAW MATERIALS	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	BATCH WEIGHT	WEIGHT PERCENT	VOLUME	VOLUME PERCENT
Phenolic	1.25	14	12.09	9.67	22.76
Barium Sulfate	4.33	43	37.13	8.58	20.18
Cashew Particles	1.15	5.8	5.01	4.36	10.25
Vermiculite	2.25	8.6	7.43	3.30	7.77
Reclaim Rubber	1.15	5.8	5.01	4.36	10.25
Kevlar®	1.44	2.9	2.50	1.74	4.09
Aluminum Oxide	3.95	2.9	2.50	0.63	1.49
Graphite 3226	2.26	5.8	5.01	2.22	5.22
Copper Fiber	8.92	2	1.73	0.19	0.46
NYAD® G	2.9	25	21.59	7.44	17.52
Fiberfrax	2.7	5	4.32	1.60	3.76
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>115.8</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>42.49</b>	<b>100.00</b>

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
AMERICAN TRIPOLI	2.32

RAW MATERIALS	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	BATCH WEIGHT	WEIGHT PERCENT	VOLUME	VOLUME PERCENT
<b>TRIFIL</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>1.4</b>	<b>1.22</b>	<b>0.42</b>	<b>0.98</b>
Phenolic	1.25	14	12.25	9.80	22.72
Barium Sulfate	4.33	43	37.62	8.69	20.14
Cashew Particles	1.15	5.8	5.07	4.41	10.23
Vermiculite	2.25	8.6	7.52	3.34	7.75
Reclaim Rubber	1.15	5.8	5.07	4.41	10.23
Kevlar®	1.44	2.9	2.54	1.76	4.08
Aluminum Oxide	3.95	1.4	1.22	0.31	0.72
Graphite 3226	2.26	5.8	5.07	2.25	5.21
Copper Fiber	8.92	2	1.75	0.20	0.45
NYAD® G	2.9	25	21.87	7.54	17.49
Fiberfrax	2.7	5	4.37	1.62	3.76
<b>TOTAL</b>		<b>114.3</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>43.13</b>	<b>100.00</b>

**PERFORMANCE EFFECTS**

- Rotor Surface Polishes - No Scoring
- Slightly More Fade



**AMERICAN TRIPOLI** 100 PERCENT REPLACEMENT OF MAGNESIUM OXIDE  
NON-FERROUS FORMULATION

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
ABRASIVES	2.35

RAW MATERIALS	SPECIFIC GRAVITY	BATCH WEIGHT	WEIGHT PERCENT	VOLUME	VOLUME PERCENT
Phenolic	1.25	14	12.09	9.67	22.73
Barium Sulfate	4.33	43	37.13	8.58	20.16
Cashew Particles	1.15	5.8	5.01	4.36	10.24
Vermiculite	2.25	8.6	7.43	3.30	7.76
Reclaim Rubber	1.15	5.8	5.01	4.36	10.24
Kevlar®	1.44	2.9	2.50	1.74	4.09
Mag Oxide	3.6	2.9	2.50	0.70	1.63
Graphite 3226	2.26	5.8	5.01	2.22	5.21
Copper Fiber	8.92	2	1.73	0.19	0.46
NYAD® G	2.9	25	21.59	7.44	17.50
Fiberfrax	2.7	5	4.32	1.60	3.76
<b>TOTALS</b>		<b>115.8</b>	<b>100.00</b>	<b>42.55</b>	<b>100.00</b>

FORMULATION:	DENSITY
AMERICAN TRIPOLI	2.28

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<b>TRIFIL</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.9</b>	<b>2.57</b>	<b>0.89</b>	<b>2.02</b>
Phenolic	1.25	14	12.40	9.92	22.64
Barium Sulfate	4.33	43	38.09	8.80	20.08
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Kevlar®	1.44	2.9	2.57	1.78	4.07
Mag Oxide	3.6	0	0.00	0.00	0.00
Graphite 3226	2.26	5.8	5.14	2.27	5.19
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## VOLUME OF RAW MATERIALS

COUNTRY	MILLIONS OF POUNDS	TONS
USA - OEM	50	25,000
USA - After Market	200	100,000
USA - Heavy Duty	150	75,000
Europe	350	175,000
South America	110	55,000
Korea	60	30,000
Japan	250	125,000
India	40	20,000
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>1210</b>	<b>605,000</b>

## COMMENTS: VOLUME USAGE

All formulations world wide - OEM and Aftermarket

**DISC & DRUM BRAKES:**

BARIUM SULFATE

4 - 40%

CALCIUM CARBONATE

4 - 30%

ABRASIVES

1 - 8%

**NAO TRUCK BLOCKS:**

GLASS FIBER

4 - 20%

Japan is the main user of Potassium Titanate

8 - 24%

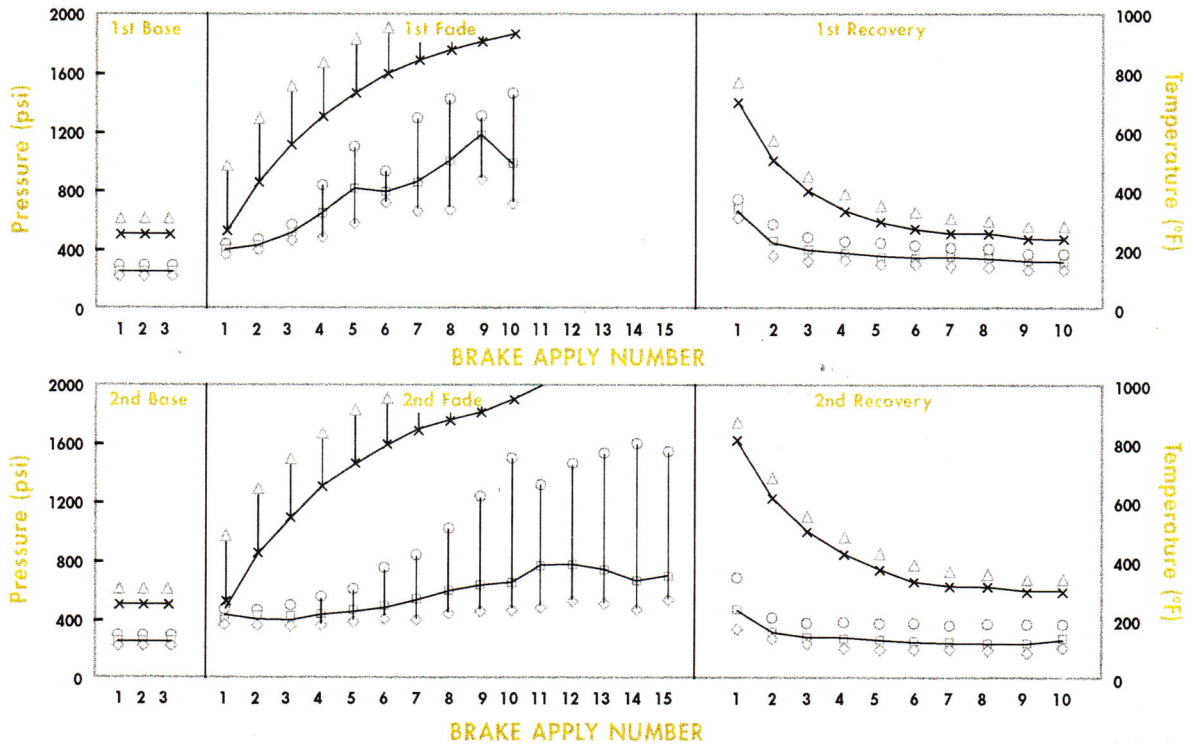
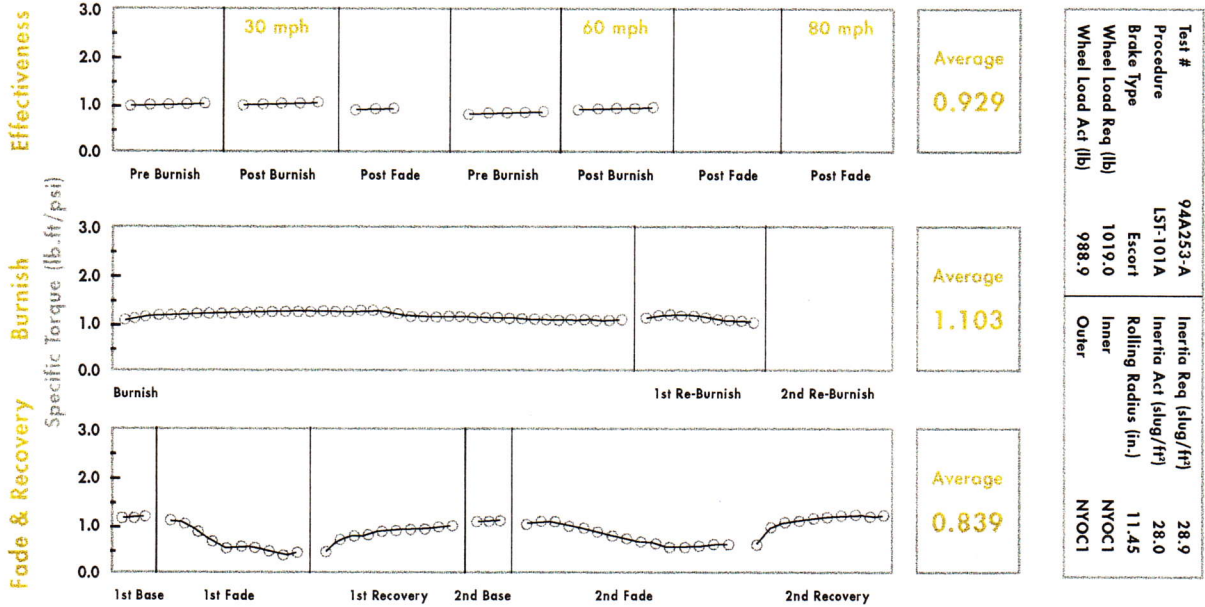
Non-Asbestos Formulations - World Wide

**MAN-MADE MINERAL FIBERS**

2 - 20%



### LINK FRICTION MATERIALS SCREENING TEST



Test #	94A253-A	Inertia Req (slug/ft <sup>2</sup> )	28.9
Procedure	LST-101A	Inertia Act (slug/ft <sup>2</sup> )	28.0
Brake Type	Escort	Rolling Radius (in.)	11.45
Wheel Load Req (lb)	1019.0	Inner	NYOC1
Wheel Load Act (lb)	988.9	Outer	NYOC1

<b>PRESSURE</b>	
◇	Minimum
□	Average
○	Maximum
<b>TEMPERATURE</b>	
×	Initial
△	Final

