

CALIFORNIA STATE SCIENCE FAIR 2016 PROJECT SUMMARY

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Project Title

Clash of the Creams: Which Skin Moisturizer Prevents the Greatest Amount of Moisture Evaporation?

Abstract

Objectives/Goals

The objective of my experiment was to find out which skin moisturizer prevented the greatest amount of moisture evaporation.

Methods/Materials

Petri Dishes, Gelatin, Skin Moisturizers, Scale, Ruler, Measuring Tools. I weighed and measured Petri dishes of gelatin and skin moisturizers over the course of one week.

Results

I applied one tablespoon of each moisturizer to each petri dish. I had three petri dishes for each moisturizer (+ 3 controls). I weighed and measured each dish every day at the same time to calculate the percentage of moisture loss.

Conclusions/Discussion

After finding the percentage of moisture loss for each moisturizer, I found that Coconut Oil prevented the greatest amount of moisture loss. This shows that a natural moisturizer has the power to be better than human created moisturizers.

Summary Statement

After testing various moisturizers, I found that Coconut Oil was the best at preventing moisture evaporation.

Help Received

My parents helped me on writing Excel formulas. The rest of the project was done myself.