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Lotus Sanitizing System © Lotus

Lotus Sanitizing System by Tersano

Tersano's claims about the Lotus system warrant a double take: Ordinary tap water is converted into a powerful sanitizer that is 50% stronger and 3,000 times faster-acting than chlorine bleach in eliminating bacteria. No chemicals are involved, and the water isn't even heated. The advertising may sound suspicious, but there's hard science behind Lotus' technology. When O_2 (oxygen gas) in water is forced to take on a third atom, O_2 becomes O_3 (ozone) — a "super-oxygen" agent known to be very effective in destroying disease-causing microbes and poisons such as pesticides. And because O_3 is unstable, the super-oxygenated water turns back into plain ol' water after about 15 minutes, so there's no residue or odor left behind.

Considering all that's going on under the hood, the Lotus is simple to use. One of the included water containers is placed on the base, which has a footprint slightly larger than a blender's. The spray bottle super-oxygenates water in about two minutes and can be carried around the house to disinfect countertops, floors, the fridge, sneakers, gym gear, or almost anything else. If you want to clean vegetables, fruits, meat or poultry, place them into the bowl, fill it with water, and allow about four minutes for the Lotus to process. The sanitized food will be safer for your family, and it will last longer since bacteria are what cause food to spoil. You can also use the bowl to soak sponges, pacifiers, toys and other items.

At a time when E. coli, staph and salmonella infections make headlines, sanitizing at home is becoming a priority. The Lotus system appears to be a welcome and impressive solution.

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