Oregano Essential Oil

What you need:
- EssenEx™ 100 Distillation Kit
- 100 grams of Oregano, chopped or ground.

Preparation:
- Place Oregano in Freezer for 24 hours.
- For initial runs, use 100 grams. Later, more or less may be used.
- It may be necessary to add water if running dry powder with ratio \( \frac{1}{2} \) ml water per gram of botanical. \( \frac{1}{2} : 1 \) by mass, if fresh try first run without added water.
- Place in EssenEx™ as described in user manual.

Trial:
- Place the reactor into the microwave with mug of water.
  - If multiple batches are run, change water in the mug between trials.
- Each batch should run for 5.5 minutes on a power setting of HIGH (1100 watts)
  - Lower power units: simply add 30 seconds to a minute for the cooking phase.
- Allow the batch to cool for 6 minutes. In or outside the microwave. Caution: do not raise lid prior to 4 minutes and be careful if moving from microwave as jar will be quite warm initially.
  - This is a key step to your success. Cooling allows the vapors to condense and form more oil and it allows the reactor to be handled much easier!

Collection:
- Pour top contents of the beaker into the easy separator and rotate it using the palms of your hands while resting it on a cloth (kitchen towel) on a hard surface (counter top). The motion should be similar to starting a fire with sticks.
- After a few seconds, stop rotating the separator and observe the oil layer.
- Repeat the process if you believe more oil will collect.
- Once the oil is separated (above the hydrosol in the neck of the flask), use the pipette to place it in a vial.

Yield:
- Upon lifting the lid, a small amount of ice should be remaining on screw.
  - If not, then reduce the amount of water added.
- With nominally good Oregano, 0.2 to 0.4% by mass.
  - 100 grams yields roughly 0.2 to 0.4 ml oil.

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