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# Sanificazione e disinfezione nelle strutture sanitarie

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## Le nuove tecnologie: uno sguardo di insieme e indicazioni della letteratura



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# *Di cosa parleremo oggi?*



## **LA NUOVA PROGETTAZIONE DELLE SUPERFICI AMBIENTALI:**

- **La progettazione integrata degli ambienti**
- **Le superfici auto-sanificanti**
- **La nanostrutturazione e i nanorivestimenti**

## **LA DISINFEZIONE TERMINATE AUTOMATIZZATA:**

- **Le tecnologie no-touch**



**Non sostituiscono, ma integrano  
i protocolli di pulizia e  
disinfezione**



# Come implementare la pulizia e disinfezione delle superfici ad alta frequenza di contatto

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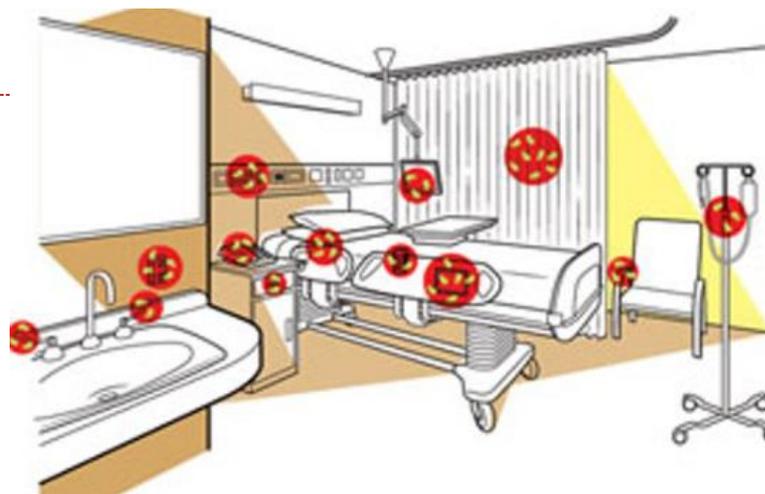
Original research article

Does improving surface cleaning and disinfection reduce health care-associated infections?

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Migliorare non solo la **disinfezione terminale**, ma anche la disinfezione **giornaliera delle superfici ad alta frequenza di contatto** e dei **dispositivi medici fissi e portatili**.

Per migliorare la pulizia e disinfezione si può agire:

- 1) Sostituendo i **prodotti in uso**, ad esempio microfibre vs cotone,
- 2) Cambiando il **disinfettante** e/o i parametri del suo **impiego**,
- 3) Migliorando l'efficienza operativa con **attività educative, monitoraggio, audit e feed-back**, o **aumentando il personale**.
- 4) Impiegando **tecnologie automatizzate**.

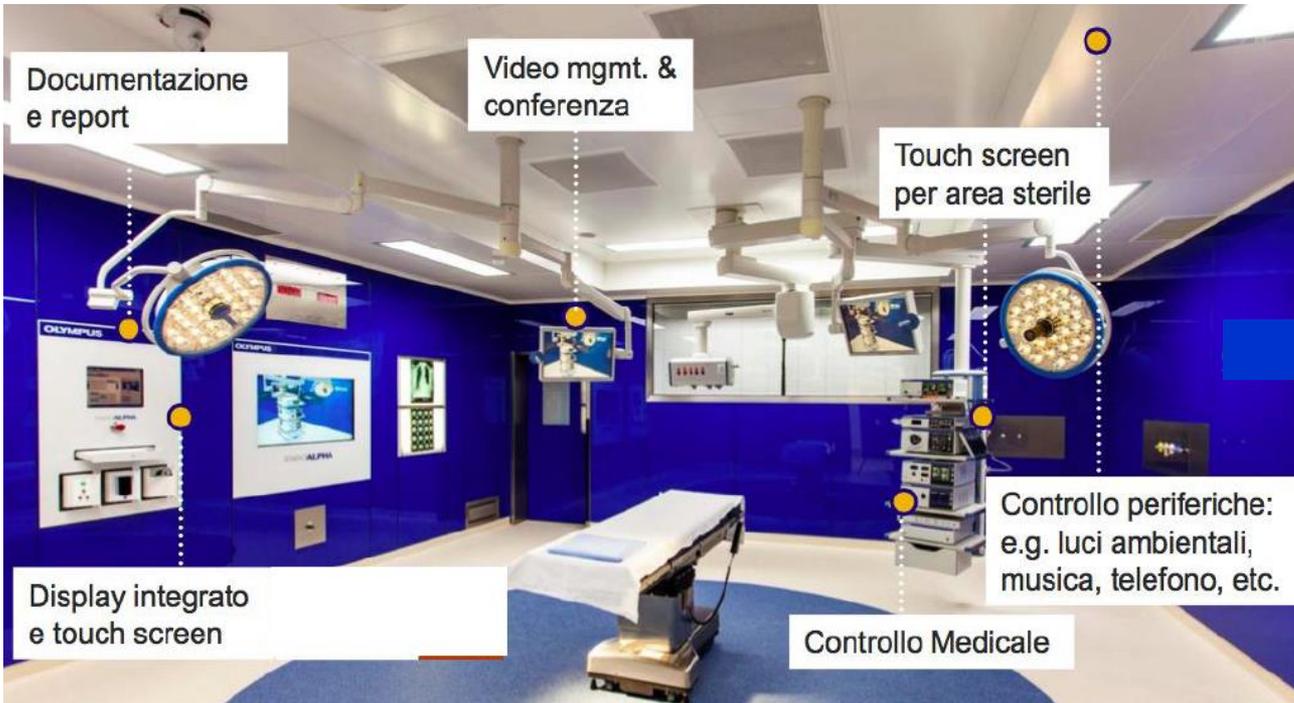
Migliorare le  
procedure  
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# La progettazione integrata degli ambienti



## BLOCCO OPERATORIO INTEGRATO E MULTIMEDIALE



*Blocco operatorio degli Istituti Fisioterapici Ospitalieri (IFO), Roma.*

- Un display integrato e touch screen consente il controllo della strumentazione di sala

- Superfici lisce facilitano la pulizia e disinfezione



- Scarsa interazione chirurgo/strumentista con area non sterile

- Riduzione tempi operatori e di preparazione sala

# Le superfici auto-sanificanti

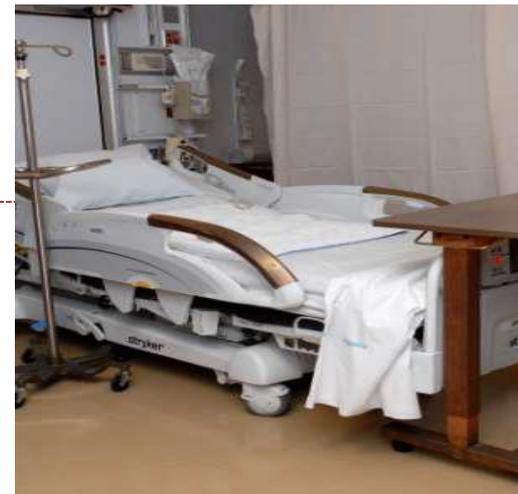
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Original research article

Self-disinfecting surfaces: Review of current methodologies and future prospects

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## SUPERFICI RIVESTITE IN RAME

•Solo alcune superfici possono essere rivestite

•Modesta riduzione della contaminazione (1-2 log)

•L'efficacia può ridursi nel tempo

•Non tossicità per l'operatore/paziente, ma possibile sviluppo di resistenze microbiche.

•Costo-efficacia?

## Advantages and disadvantages of currently proposed self-disinfecting surfaces in hospital rooms

### Advantages

- Provides continuous disinfection of environmental surfaces
- Does not depend on adequacy of cleaning/disinfection by environmental service workers
- Broad-spectrum antimicrobial activity
- Very low or no toxicity to humans

### Current limitations

- Impossible to impregnate or coat all possible room surfaces and medical devices used in a hospital room
- Efficacy of self-disinfecting surfaces to decrease health care-associated infections has not been demonstrated in a clinical trial
- Cost of purchasing and installing self-disinfecting surfaces has not been published
- Possible development of resistance by microbes to the self-disinfecting method
- In general, modest reductions in surface contamination (ie, 1- to 2-log<sub>10</sub>) demonstrated
- Durability with repeated cycles of cleaning and disinfection not yet evaluated

# Le superfici auto-sanificanti

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Review

## Antimicrobial surfaces to prevent healthcare-associated infections: a systematic review

M.P. Muller<sup>a,b,\*</sup>, C. MacDougall<sup>c</sup>, M. Lim<sup>c</sup> and the Ontario Agency for Health Protection and Promotion (Public Health Ontario) the Provincial Infectious Diseases Advisory Committee on Infection Prevention and Control (PIDAC-IPC)<sup>d</sup>

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Table II  
GRADE evidence profile and summary of findings

Study	Outcome	Control	Copper surfaces	Relative risk	Relative risk reduction	Quality
Salgado <i>et al.</i> <sup>19</sup>	HCAIs per patient	26/320	10/294	0.42 (P = 0.013)	58%	⊕⊕○○
	ARO per patient	12/320	4/294	0.36 (P = 0.063)	64%	⊕○○○
Lazary <i>et al.</i> <sup>29</sup>	HCAIs per patient-day	118/4337	82/3940	0.76 (P = 0.046)	24%	⊕○○○

⊕⊕○○, low quality of evidence; ⊕○○○, very low quality of evidence.

GRADE, Grading of Recommendations Assessment, Development and Evaluation; HCAI, healthcare-associated infection; ARO, antibiotic-resistant organism.



235 articoli full-text revisionati

Non ci sono evidenze sull'efficacia delle superfici in rame nella riduzione dell'incidenza delle infezioni

Copper surfaces harbour fewer bacteria than non-copper surfaces, but **only two study showed a reduction in HCAI incidence** and the quality of this evidence is very low

# Nanostrutturazione e nanorivestimento

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Review

## Modification of the surfaces of medical devices to prevent microbial adhesion and biofilm formation

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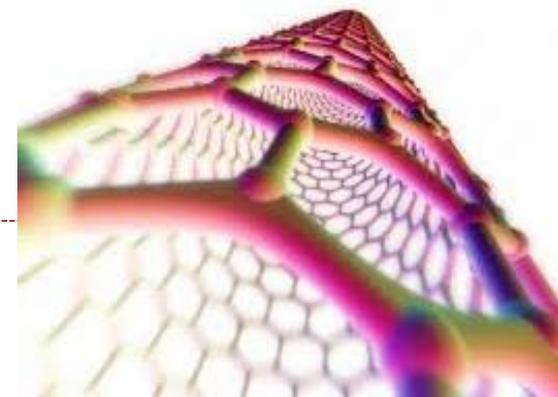
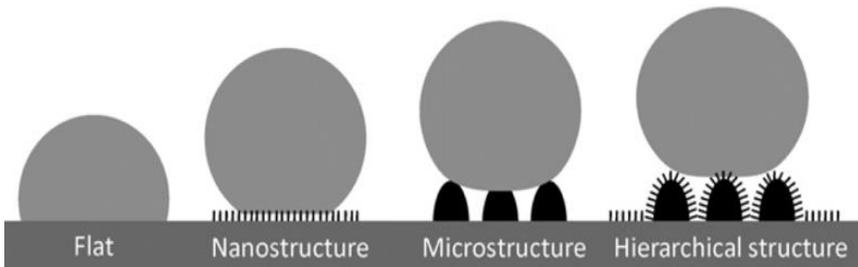
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## Progettazione di materiali funzionali “bioispirati” per ridurre l'adesione microbica alle superfici



## DISPOSITIVI MEDICI

- Nanotubi di carbonio o nanoparticelle nei **cementi ossei**
- Nanoparticelle di idrossiapatite nei preparati per riempire le **cavità ossee**
- Nanoparticelle di Ag per il rivestimento di **impianti o cateteri**
- Nanoparticelle magnetiche funzionalizzate (ossido di ferro) per il trattamento termico dei **tumori** in risonanza magnetica

# Nanostrutturazione delle SUPERFICI AMBIENTALI

*Biointerphases* 2(2), June 2007

Impact of engineered surface microtopography on biofilm formation of *Staphylococcus aureus*

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## Superficie ingegnerizzata basata sulla microtopografia della pelle dello squalo

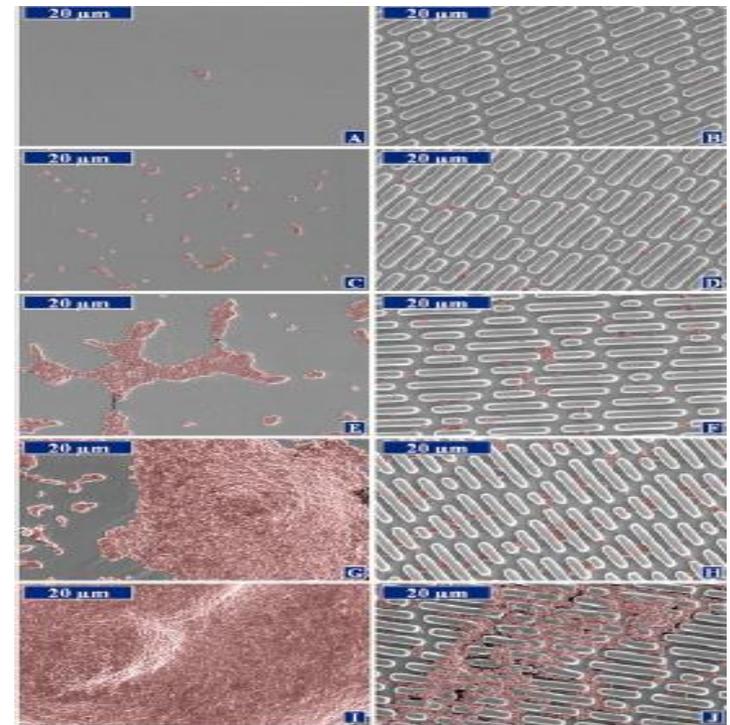
Sulla superficie nanostrutturata la prima colonizzazione appare **dopo 21 giorni**, mentre sulla superficie liscia di controllo, le colonie di biofilm di fase iniziale compaiono **dopo 7 giorni** e i biofilm maturi a 14 giorni.

A 14 giorni, la superficie nanostrutturata è ricoperta da ***S. aureus* per il 7% contro il 54%** della superficie di controllo.

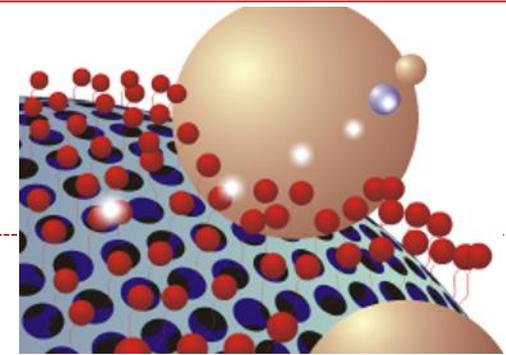


CONTROLLO

NANOSTRUTTURATO



# Nanorivestimento delle SUPERFICI AMBIENTALI



Journal of  
Applied Microbiology



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## Novel antibacterial silver-silica surface coatings prepared by chemical vapour deposition for infection control

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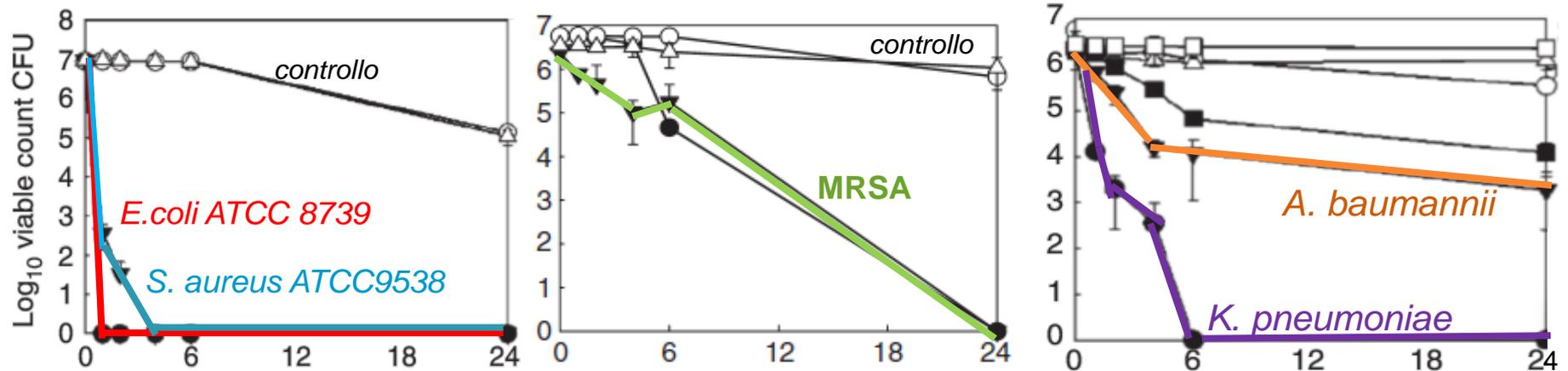
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**Particelle di silicio rivestite di Ag depositate sulle superfici in vetro e ceramica: buona efficacia sui ceppi ATCC, minore sui ceppi clinici**



-5 log *E.coli*, *S.aureus* e *K.pneumoniae* dopo 1-6h, MRSA dopo 24h.

-3 log per *A.baumannii* dopo 24h.

# Nanorivestimento delle SUPERFICI AMBIENTALI

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ORIGINAL RESEARCH

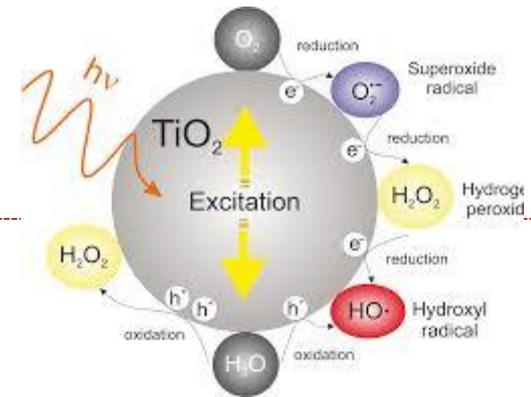
## Comparative performance of a panel of commercially available antimicrobial nanocoatings in Europe

Johan W Molling  
 Jacques W Seezink  
 Birgit EJ Teunissen  
 Inhua Muijers-Chen  
 Paul JA Borm

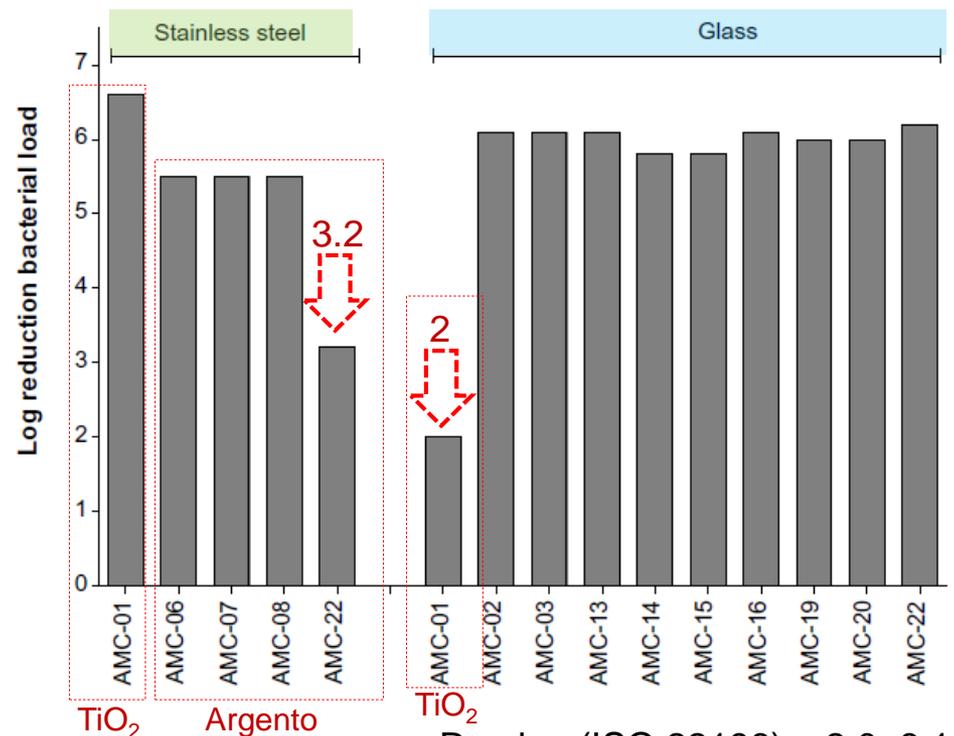
Zuyd University of Applied Sciences,  
 Heerlen, the Netherlands

**Nanorivestimenti in Ag o TiO<sub>2</sub> attivato da UVA per la produzione specie reattive dell'ossigeno**

**L'efficacia dipende dal substrato sul quale viene applicato il rivestimento (acciaio vs vetro)**



Antimicrobial efficacy of different coatings



R-value (ISO 22196) = 2.0–6.1

# I rivestimenti addizionati di biocidi

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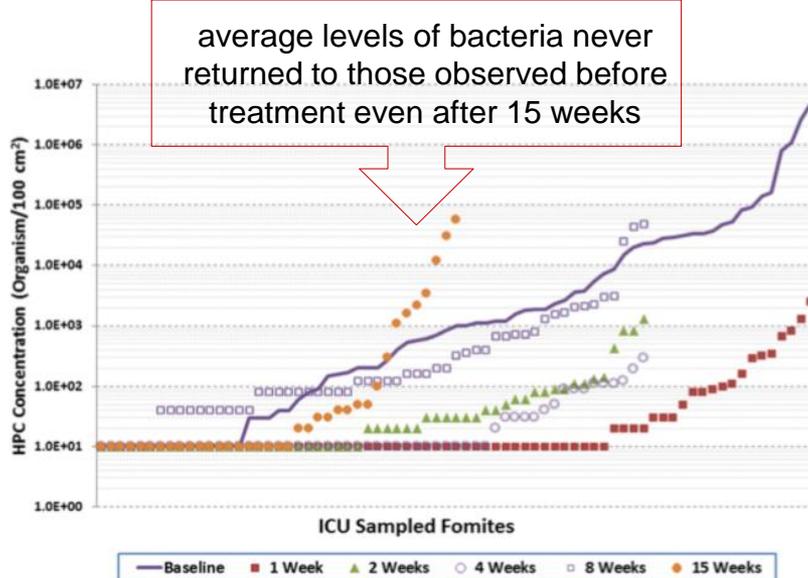
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Major article

Long-term efficacy of a self-disinfecting coating in an intensive care unit

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Department of Soil, Water, and Environmental Science, University of Arizona, Tucson, AZ



**Composti dell'ammonio quaternario addizionati all'organosilano, si legano alle superfici e mantengono un'attività disinfettante residuale efficace**

The average bacterial count on all treated surfaces was **reduced by >99% (2 logs) for at least 8 weeks** after treatment. **MDRO were isolated at only 1 site** during the 15 weeks after treatment.

**Table 4**  
Isolation of antibiotic-resistant bacteria (percent of positive sites)

Variable	Baseline*	Weeks after treatment				
		1	2	4	8	15
Number of samples	95	81	64	64	64	45
VRE	14	0	0	0	1	0
MRSA	7	0	0	0	0	0
CRE	3	0	0	0	0	0
<i>C difficile</i>	0	0	0	0	0	0
Overall percentage	25	0	0	0	1.5	0

\*Before treatment.

# Nanorivestimento dei tessuti



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Innovative coating solutions to prevent infectious diseases

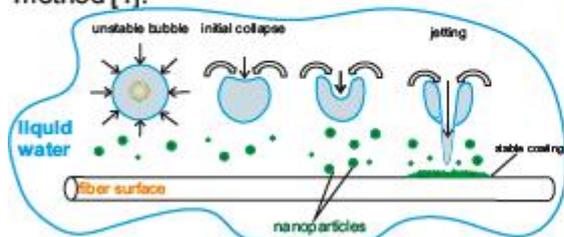
Cooperation in Science and Technology programme, European Commission

## Commentary

## Antimicrobial coating innovations to prevent healthcare-associated infection

### Sonocoating technology

High power ultrasounds, when acting on a liquid, cause formation of high number cavitation vapour bubbles. After achieving a critical size, they collapse, leading to very high local pressures reaching several 100MPa. If the liquid is a colloidal suspensions of NPs, NPs close to implosion centre are violently pushed towards the surface, and strongly embedded on it (Pic. below). It is called „throwing stone” method [1].



Short explanation of sonocoating process



Stable coating on cotton fiber (SEM)



Utilizzo degli **ultrasuoni e delle microonde** per rendere il rivestimento (nanoparticelle di ZnO-Ag) resistente ai lavaggi

# Le tecnologie no-touch



Due tipologie:

1. Utilizzo di **prodotti biocidi** (es. perossido di idrogeno)
2. Utilizzo di **onde elettromagnetiche** (es. radiazioni ultraviolette)

## VANTAGGI

- a) Alta **ripetibilità**, non dipendente dall'accuratezza dell'operatore
- b) **Personale non richiesto dopo l'attivazione** del trattamento
- c) **Dispersione** dell'agente attivo anche sui siti difficilmente raggiungibili
- d) Decontaminazione **delle superfici e dell'aria**
- e) **Efficacia** su microrganismi dotati di persistenza ambientale
- f) **Tracciabilità** delle operazioni

## SVANTAGGI

- a) Ancora **scarse le evidenze** sull'efficacia antimicrobica e sulla riduzione delle ICA
- b) Necessità di operare in **assenza di pazienti/operatori**
- c) Necessità di **confinare l'ambiente** per i sistemi che utilizzano biocidi e di rispettare i tempi per l'accesso al locale (sicurezza per gli operatori)
- d) Necessario verificare la **compatibilità** con i materiali
- e) Necessaria la **formazione** specifica per il personale
- f) **Acquisire o noleggiare apparecchiature** dedicate (aspetti organizzativi ed economici, con particolare riferimento al rapporto costo/efficacia).

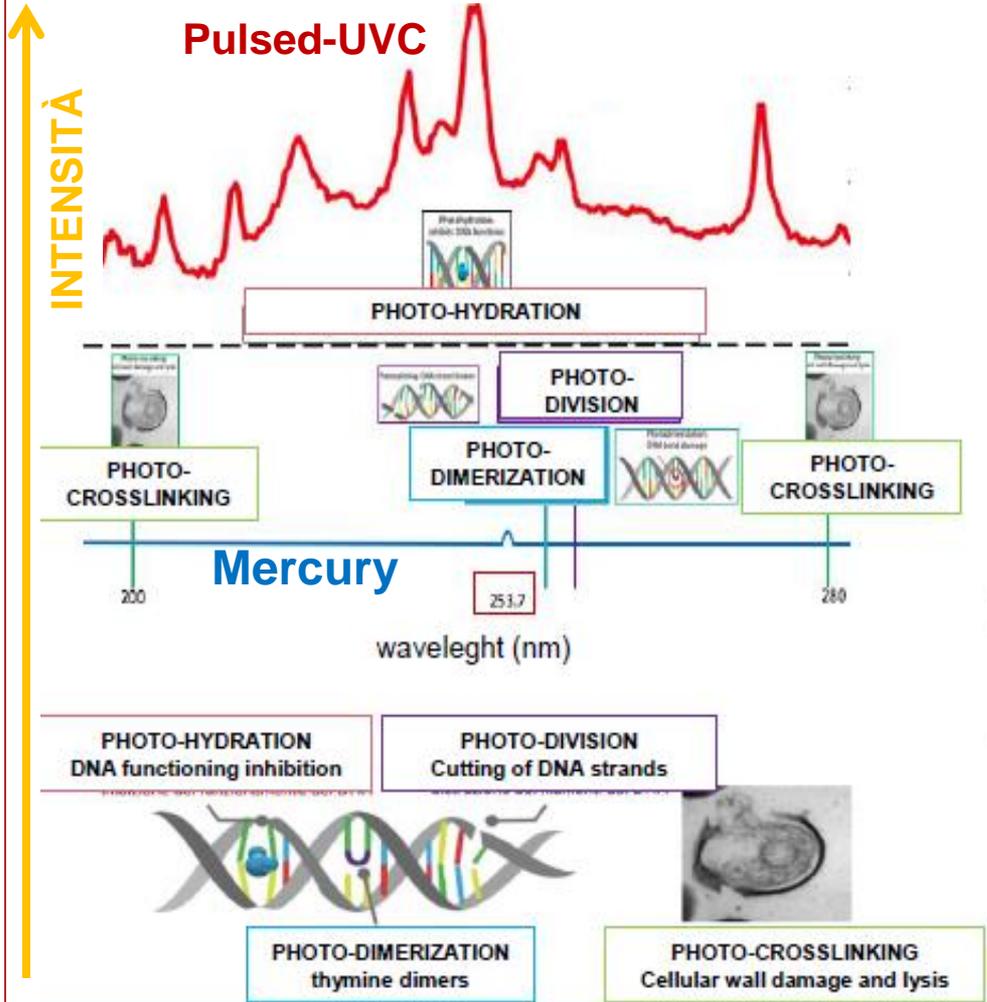
# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C



Ultraviolet radiation (UVC)



Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)



- **LAMPADE IN QUARZO, CONTENENTI MERCURIO ELEMENTARE** e un gas inerte (argon): **UV-C 254 nm**, emissione **continua**.

Riduzione 4  $\log_{10}$  di *C. difficile* in forma vegetativa, in **35-100 min** (Boyce JM, 2011; Rutala WA, 2010)

- **LAMPADE A GAS XENON (PX-UV):** ampio spettro di radiazioni UV-C (**100-280 nm**) e radiazioni dello spettro visibile (**380-700 nm**), emissione **pulsata ad elevata intensità**.

Riduzione 4  $\log_{10}$  delle spore di *C. difficile*, in **5 min** (Boyce JM, 2011)

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C



Ultraviolet radiation (UVC)



Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)



SENSORE DI MOVIMENTO PER EVITARE L'INGRESSO

## VANTAGGI

- Sistemi **automatizzati mobili** di facile collocazione
- **Non richiedono modifiche** alla ventilazione del locale
- **Non lasciano residui** dopo il trattamento
- Hanno **ampio spettro d'azione** e **tempi di esposizione rapidi** (dose in funzione della **dimensione** della stanza)
- **Non inducono resistenza**
- **Tracciabilità delle operazioni in wi-fi**

## SVANTAGGI

- **Non penetrano plastica, vetro, superfici porose** (es. lenzuola, tende). **Minore efficacia nelle zone d'ombra.**
- L'esposizione deve essere **diretta o riflessa** (più cicli in luoghi diversi del locale)
- L'efficacia decade con il quadrato della **distanza**
- La **compatibilità** con i materiali deve essere valutata
- Variazioni di temperatura e umidità e **l'età del bulbo** influenzano la dose emessa e aumentano il tempo di esposizione richiesto
- **Rischio esposizione**
- Possono emettere **OZONO** (0,1ppm/8h, OSHA)

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C

Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol. 2017 Sep;38(9):1116-1117.

INFECTION CONTROL & HOSPITAL EPIDEMIOLOGY

## The Effect of Ultraviolet Light on *Clostridium difficile* Spore Recovery Versus Bleach Alone

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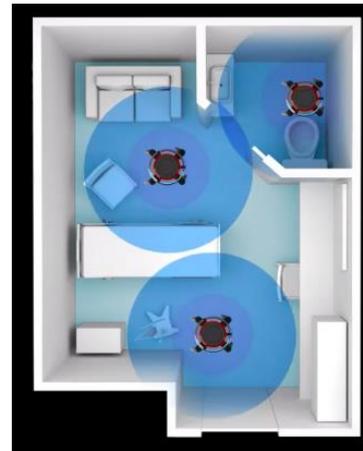
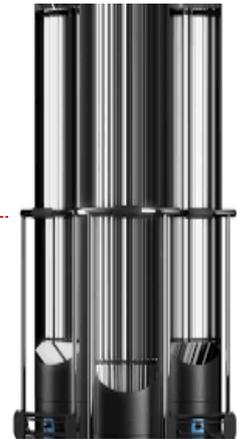
TABLE 1. *Clostridium difficile* Culture Results: Effectiveness of Manual Cleaning Versus UV-C

Site	Post Bleach CFUs		Post UV-C CFUs	
	≥10 CFUs	<10 CFUs	≥10 CFUs	<10 CFUs
Over-bed table	13	41	0	54
Toilet seat	9	65	0	74
Computer keyboard	3	19	1	43
Bathroom doorknob	2	20	0	22
Faucet handles	2	39	0	41
Bed side rails	1	3	0	4
Bedside commode	1	11	0	12
Recliner chair table	1	6	0	7
Call light	0	2	0	2

NOTE. CFU, colony-forming units; UV-C, ultraviolet light at 254 nanometers.



**Radiazione UVC continua  
a 254 nm**



One emitter runs for **10 min** in the bathroom, then **3 connected emitters** run for **45 min** in the patient room.

A laser measures the space and **calculate the required disinfection cycle time**

**32 of 238 (13%) were positive after bleach cleaning for *C. difficile*. After UV-C treatment, only 1 of 238 high-touch surfaces (0.4%) was positive: 1 computer keyboard**

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C

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Major article

Postdischarge decontamination of MRSA, VRE, and *Clostridium difficile* isolation rooms using 2 commercially available automated ultraviolet-C-emitting devices



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Adjusted odds of bacterial growth obtained from multivariable model of growth of MRSA or VRE in protein broth after UVC disinfection on stainless steel carriers

Variables	OR	95% Confidence interval
Machine		
1	Reference	—
2	6.96	3.79-13.35
Organism		
MRSA	Reference	
VRE	1.40	0.79-2.50
Surface		
Bed	Reference	—
Closet	2.04	1.06-4.00
Sink	20.50	9.19-49.54
Concentration	3.52	2.49-5.13

Abbreviations: MRSA, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*; OR, odds ratio; UVC, ultraviolet-C; VRE, vancomycin-resistant enterococci.

Their ability to disinfect high concentrations of organisms **vary in the presence of proteins**



**Radiazione UVC continua a 254 nm**

After Standard Protocol:  
MRSA 27.9%, VRE 29.5% e CD 22.7%

**After UVC-disinfection:**  
MRSA 3.3%, VRE 4.9% e CD 0%  
(P = .0003)

**Machine 1: 14 minutes at 46,000 uWs/cm<sup>2</sup>**  
(one device, 1 cycle, 4 dose detectors)

**Machine 2: 35 minutes at 12,000 uWs/cm<sup>2</sup>**  
for a regular setting and **57 minutes at 22,000 uWs/cm<sup>2</sup>** for the sporicidal cycle.  
(one device, 1 cycle)

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C

Journal of Hospital Infection 97 (2017) 180–184



## Comparison of two whole-room ultraviolet irradiation systems for enhanced disinfection of contaminated hospital patient rooms<sup>☆</sup>

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Turnaround and duration of individual decontamination processes during terminal cleaning and ultraviolet (UV) disinfection using alternative systems

Phase of decontamination episode	Time required (min), mean (±SD)	
	Surfacide <sup>®</sup> Helios <sup>™</sup>	Ultra-V <sup>™</sup>
Duration for domestic team to attend	59 (±33)	48 (±32)
Terminal clean cycle	95 (±35)	81 (±34)
Time to set up UV device <sup>a</sup>	20 (±6)	28 (±6)
UV disinfection cycle	42 (±11)	36 (±6)
Time to vacate (post-UV cycle) <sup>b</sup>	7 (±5)	5 (±3)
Total: decontamination without UV	154 (±33)	120 (±12)
Total: decontamination including UV disinfection	215 (±33)	199 (±17)

<sup>a</sup> Includes transport of equipment to the site and set-up/arrangement of the UV system.

<sup>b</sup> Time required for removing all UV equipment and returning room to original state for patient accommodation.

**Tempo di trattamento: 42±11; 36±6 min**



**Radiazione UVC continua  
a 254 nm**

**Efficacia condizionata dalla  
presenza di residui organici**

Both systems:

- Reduction of contamination in 8/14 (**57%**) and 11/14 (**79%**) sites.
- **4-5 log<sub>10</sub> reductions in MRSA and K. pneumoniae at low soiling.**
- **Lower and more variable log<sub>10</sub> reductions when heavy soiling was present.**
- **Between 0.1 and 4.8 log<sub>10</sub> reductions in C. difficile spores with low but not heavy soil challenge.**

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C



Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)

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## Major Article

### Evaluation of a pulsed xenon ultraviolet light device for isolation room disinfection in a United Kingdom hospital

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Proportion of samples with CFU present at baseline, after terminal cleaning, and after PX-UV disinfection, overall and by surface location (39 rooms)

Surface location	No. of pairs	Baseline, n (%)	Terminal clean, n (%), P value*	PX-UV, n (%), P value*
Bedrail	28	26 (92.9)	10 (35.7), <.01	2 (7.1), .01
Tray table	39	29 (74.4)	17 (43.6), <.01	3 (7.7), <.01
Bathroom handrail	39	32 (82.1)	23 (59.0), .02	7 (18.0), <.01
Toilet Seat	39	35 (89.7)	26 (66.7), .01	12 (30.8), <.01
Bathroom faucet	39	36 (92.3)	27 (69.2), .01	6 (15.4), <.01
Combined	184	158 (85.9)	103 (56.0), <.01	30 (16.3), <.01

CFU, colony forming units; PX-UV, pulsed xenon ultraviolet.

\*Change in presence assessed with McNemar test, assuming a type I error of  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

## Radiazione UVC pulsata

5-log reduction of MRSA, VRE, *Acinetobacter* spp. and CRE after 20 min treatment increased reduction of 17% (one device, 2 cycle)

Time for PX-UV device deployment (31 rooms)

Process	Mean $\pm$ SD (min)	Median (min-max) (min)
Transport to room time	24.8 $\pm$ 17.9	20 (10-100)
Retrieval time	7.1 $\pm$ 3.2	5 (0-15)
Waiting time for use	17.7 $\pm$ 17.6	10 (5-90)
In-room use time	21.4 $\pm$ 15.4	20 (5-86)
Return to storage time	13.2 $\pm$ 16.8	6 (0-70)
Total time	59.4 $\pm$ 27.7	50 (35-135)

max, maximum; min, minimum; PX-UV, pulsed xenon ultraviolet.

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C



Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)

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RESEARCH ARTICLE

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## Evaluation of a pulsed xenon ultraviolet disinfection system to decrease bacterial contamination in operating rooms

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### Radiazione UV-C pulsata

Sufficienti **2 minuti** per ottenere un **ulteriore riduzione del 70%** della contaminazione microbica dopo l'applicazione del Protocollo Standard



### RAPIDO Tourn Over DELLA SALA OPERATORIA

**Table 2** Efficacy of 1-, 2-, and 8-min PX-UV disinfection cycle times in reducing operating room contamination

Timing of sampling	Samples taken (n)	Colony count (c.f.u.)				Reduction <sup>a</sup> (%)	P-value
		Mean	Min	Max	IQR		
Pre PX-UV (all cycles combined)	147	3.19	0	55	3	-	-
Post 1-min PX-UV	50	1.70	0	14	2	46.7	0.5940
Post 2-min PX-UV	49	0.88	0	9	1	72.5	0.0328
Post 8-min PX-UV	49	0.86	0	7	1	73.1	0.0075

<sup>a</sup>Reduction of mean colony count after PX-UV in comparison with pre-PX-UV mean colony count. PX-UV, pulsed xenon ultraviolet; IQR, Interquartile range; c.f.u., Colony-forming units; min, minimum; max, maximum

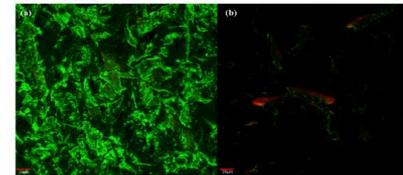
# L'efficacia della disinfezione Pulsed UV (PX-UVC)



Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)

## Radiazione UV-C pulsata

Efficace anche in assenza di preliminare deterzione



**EFFICACE ANCHE SUI BIOFILM SECCHI?**

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Brief report

Can pulsed xenon ultraviolet light systems disinfect aerobic bacteria in the absence of manual disinfection?



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Mean aerobic bacterial colony (ABC) counts from high-touch surfaces before and after application of pulsed xenon-based ultraviolet light (PX-UV) disinfection systems in the absence of manual cleaning

Location	No. of samples	ABC before PX-UV	ABC after PX-UV	ABC reduction	P value*
Call button	38	88.5 ± 68.7 76 (5, 200) (21-122)	16.1 ± 33.0 4 (0, 161) (1-12)	72.4 ± 64.8 66 (-52, 199) (19-108)	<.01
Bedrail	38	84.0 ± 70.3 42 (7, 200) (32-125)	13.0 ± 17.2 5.5 (0, 70) (2-18)	71.0 ± 66.6 35 (-6, 200) (20-112)	<.01
Tray table	38	54.5 ± 62.9 23 (1, 200) (12-67)	13.3 ± 17.0 7.5 (0, 79) (1-22)	41.2 ± 61.8 15.5 (-24, 200) (8-45)	<.01
Bathroom handrail	38	60.7 ± 56.3 35 (0, 200) (16-95)	16.1 ± 32.9 6.5 (0, 200) (3-16)	44.6 ± 62.1 30.5 (-171, 194) (9-79)	<.01
Toilet seat	38	80.2 ± 81.0 46 (0, 200) (11-200)	40.6 ± 59.3 13 (0, 200) (2-45)	39.6 ± 69.7 14 (-70, 199) (1-61)	<.01
Overall	190	73.6 ± 69.0 47 (0, 200) (19-113)	19.8 ± 36.6 6 (0, 200) (2-20)	53.8 ± 66.1 28.5 (-171, 200) (10-90)	<.01

NOTE. Values are presented as mean ± SD (top values) and median (minimum, maximum; interquartile range) (bottom values).

\*Wilcoxon signed-rank tests were employed, assuming a significance level of  $\alpha = 0.05$ .

# L'efficacia della disinfezione Pulsed UV (PX-UVC)



Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)



**Radiazione UV-C pulsata**

**Evaluation of an ultraviolet C (UVC) light-emitting device for disinfection of high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas**  
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**BACKGROUND**  
High touch surfaces in hospital critical areas are a major source of nosocomial infections. The use of ultraviolet C (UVC) light-emitting devices for disinfection of high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas is a promising strategy. The aim of this study was to evaluate the efficacy of a Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device for disinfection of high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas.

**PURPOSE AND HYPOTHESIS**  
The purpose of this study was to evaluate the efficacy of a Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device for disinfection of high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas. The hypothesis was that the use of a Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device would result in a significant reduction in the number of bacteria on high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas.

**MATERIALS AND METHODS**  
A Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device was used to disinfect high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas. The efficacy of the device was evaluated by measuring the number of bacteria on high touch surfaces before and after disinfection. The results were compared with the number of bacteria on high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas that were not disinfected.

**RESULTS**  
The results of this study showed that the use of a Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device resulted in a significant reduction in the number of bacteria on high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas. The number of bacteria on high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas that were disinfected with the Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device was significantly lower than the number of bacteria on high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas that were not disinfected.

**CONCLUSIONS**  
The use of a Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device for disinfection of high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas is a promising strategy. The use of a Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV) light-emitting device resulted in a significant reduction in the number of bacteria on high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas.

## 104: Evaluation of an ultraviolet C (UVC) light-emitting device for disinfection of high touch surfaces in hospital critical areas

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Poster Talk 2 (Mon 26 Nov 17:15 - 18:15), Exhibition Hall

# PROTOCOLLO



## Protocollo di sanificazione

**Protocollo Operativo Standard:** Servizio in appalto e personale OSS, Soluzione detergente-disinfettante (cloro attivo 2,8%, tensioattivi 0,5 gr) e disinfettante (cloro attivo 2,8%).



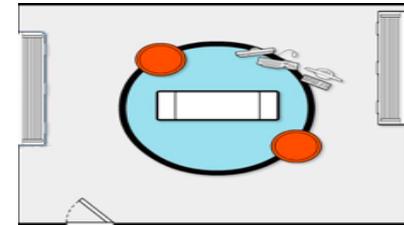
## Protocollo Pulsed UV (PX-UVC)

### UTI - Stanze di degenza

➤ Due esposizioni da 5 min, ai lati del letto del paziente

### Sale operatorie

➤ Due esposizioni da 10 min, ai lati del tavolo operatorio



## DOVE:

9 SALE OPERATORIE

2 TERAPIE INTENSIVE

5 DEGENZE

2 C. difficile

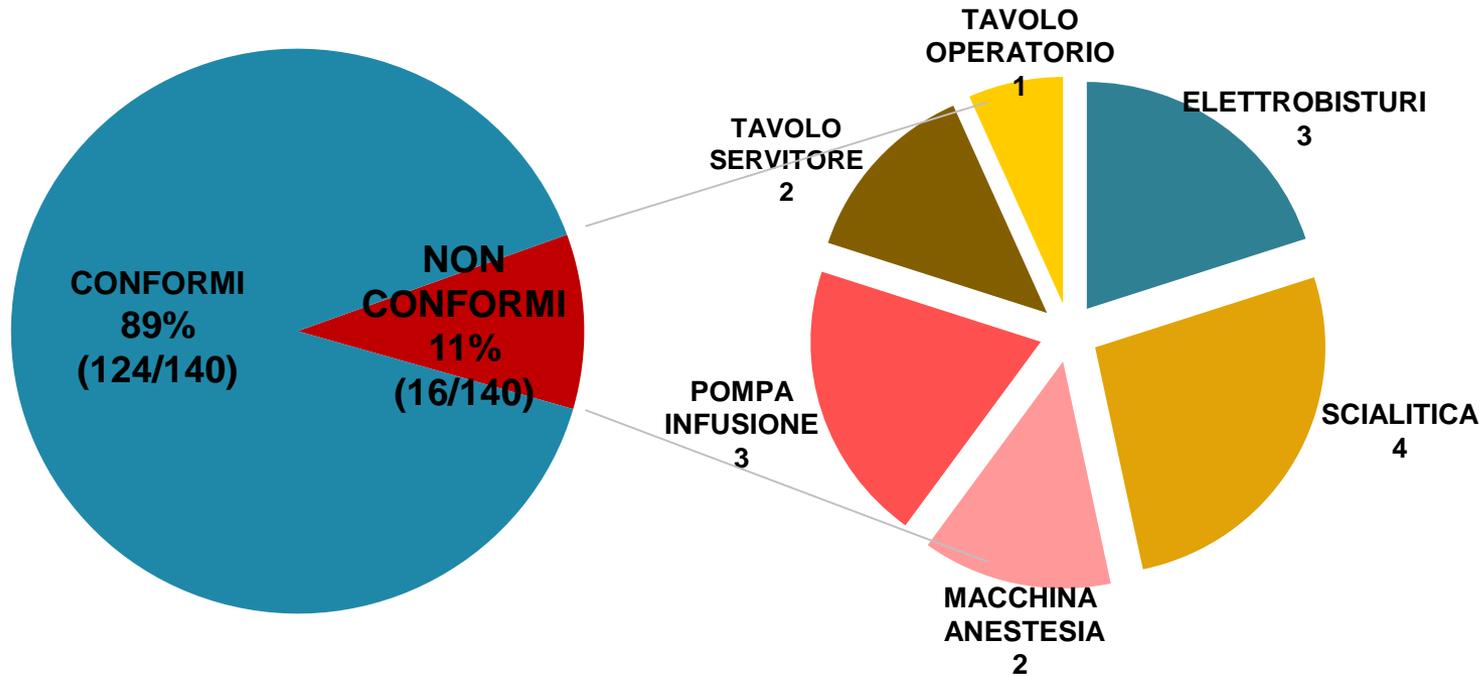
3 KPC Producing-*Klebsiella pneumoniae*

1 ESBL *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

# L'efficacia della disinfezione Pulsed UV (PX-UVC)



## RISULTATI: SALE OPERATORIE



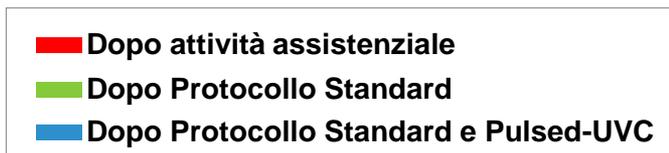
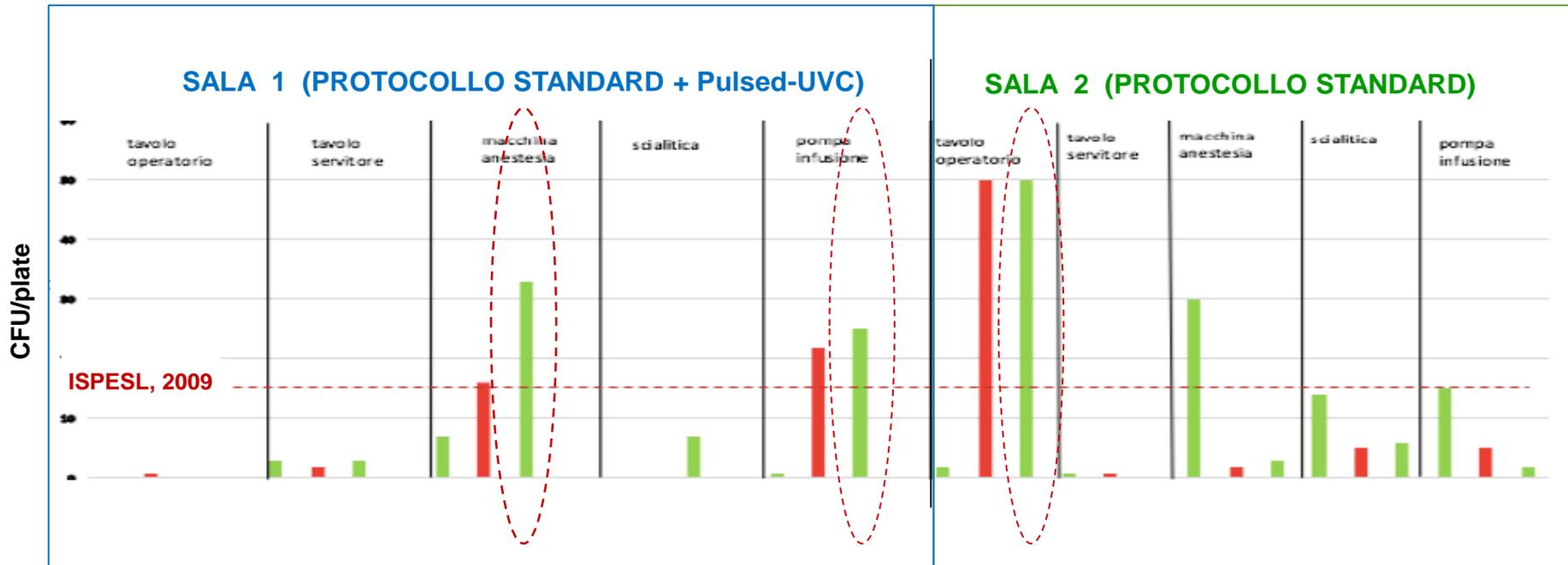
**Tutte le non-conformità sono state rilevate dopo Protocollo Standard**

Non conformità rispetto ai limiti delle Linee guida ISPESL, "Linee guida sugli standard di sicurezza e di igiene del lavoro nel reparto operatorio", 2009.

# L'efficacia della disinfezione Pulsed UV (PX-UVC)



## RISULTATI: SALE OPERATORIE (A BASSA TURNAZIONE)

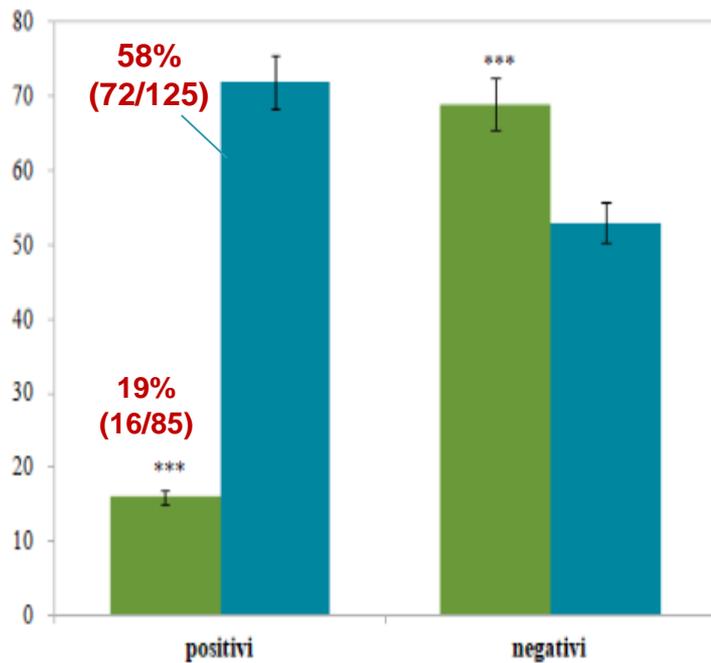




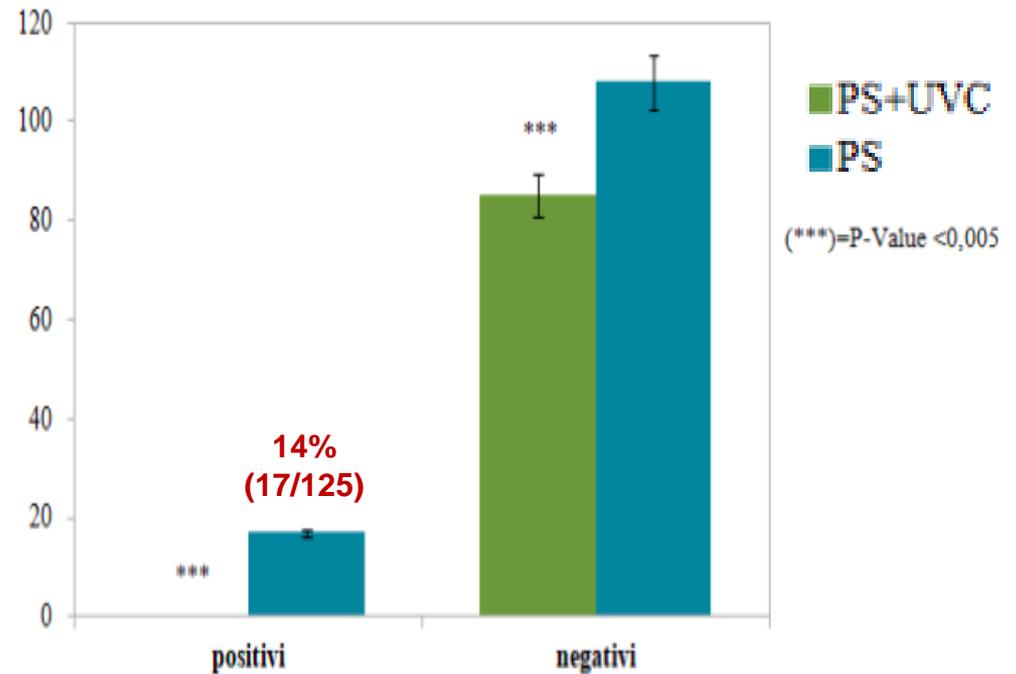
# L'efficacia della disinfezione Pulsed UV (PX-UVC)



## Siti positivi per carica microbica totale



## Non conformità



(\*\*\*)=P-Value <0,005

# HTA (GRADE rating evaluation) on automated UV-C disinfection in HAIs prevention



Ultraviolet radiation (UVC)

Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)

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## ONTARIO HEALTH TECHNOLOGY ASSESSMENT SERIES

Portable Ultraviolet Light Surface-Disinfecting Devices for Prevention of Hospital-Acquired Infections: A Health Technology Assessment

8 rooms/device daily  
321-347 \$/day

HAI cost: 12197\$  
(Friedman C., 2016)

### What Did This Health Technology Assessment Find?

We can't be certain of the effectiveness of ultraviolet light disinfection in reducing hospital-acquired infections, given the very low to low quality of evidence. We estimated that the typical cost for a hospitals that purchases two portable devices would be \$586,023 over 5 years for devices that use the pulsed xenon technology and \$634,255 over 5 years for devices that use the mercury technology. Our budget impact estimates change the most if we vary our assumptions about the number of portable ultraviolet light disinfecting devices purchased per hospital, frequency of daytime use, and staff time required per use.

Table 15: Base Case Results of Budget Impact Analysis

Type of Cost (in 2017 CAD)	Year 1	Year 2	Year 3	Year 4	Year 5	Total (5 Years)
<b>Mercury bulb device</b>						
UV device cost	249,034	0	0	0	0	249,034
Maintenance/warranty cost	0	26,712	26,712	26,712	26,712	106,848
Staff/operating cost	55,675	55,675	55,675	55,675	55,675	278,373
<b>Total budget impact</b>	<b>304,708</b>	<b>82,387</b>	<b>82,387</b>	<b>82,387</b>	<b>82,387</b>	<b>634,255</b>
<b>Xenon bulb device</b>						
UV device cost	284,650	0	0	0	0	284,650
Maintenance/warranty cost	0	0	0	0	23,000	23,000
Staff/operating cost	55,675	55,675	55,675	55,675	55,675	278,373
<b>Total budget impact</b>	<b>340,324</b>	<b>55,675</b>	<b>55,675</b>	<b>55,675</b>	<b>78,675</b>	<b>586,023</b>

Abbreviations: CAD, Canadian dollars; UV, ultraviolet.

# L'efficacia della disinfezione Pulsed UV (PX-UVC)



Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UVC)

## HAIs REDUCTION

**Lancet 2017; 389: 805-14**

Enhanced terminal room disinfection and acquisition and infection caused by multidrug-resistant organisms and *Clostridium difficile* (the Benefits of Enhanced Terminal Room Disinfection study): a cluster-randomised, multicentre, crossover study

Deverick J Anderson, Luke F Chen, David J Weber, Rebekah W Moehring, Sarah S Lewis, Patricia F Triplett, Michael Blocker, Paul Becherer, J Conrad Schwab, Lauren P Knelson, Yuliya Likhnygina, William A Rutala, Hajime Kanamori, Maria F Gerger, Daniel J Sexton; for the CDC Prevention Epicenters Program

**Lancet Infect Dis 2018; 18: 845-53**

Effectiveness of targeted enhanced terminal room disinfection on hospital-wide acquisition and infection with multidrug-resistant organisms and *Clostridium difficile*: a secondary analysis of a multicentre cluster randomised controlled trial with crossover design (BETR Disinfection)

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Multicenter cluster randomized controlled crossover trial at nine hospitals in USA  
31226 patients

**The incidence of target organisms (*C. difficile* e VRE) among exposed patients was significantly lower after adding UV to standard cleaning strategies**

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-C

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Major Article

Evaluating the effectiveness of ultraviolet-C lamps for reducing keyboard contamination in the intensive care unit: A longitudinal analysis

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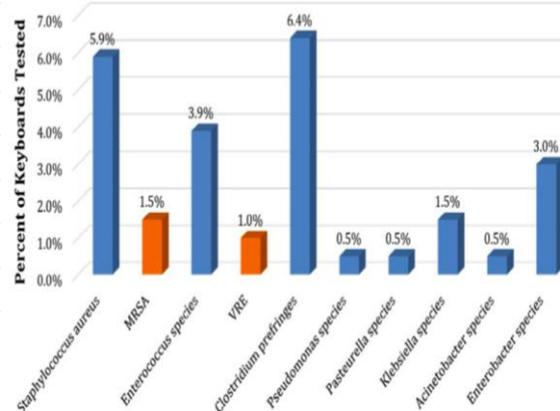
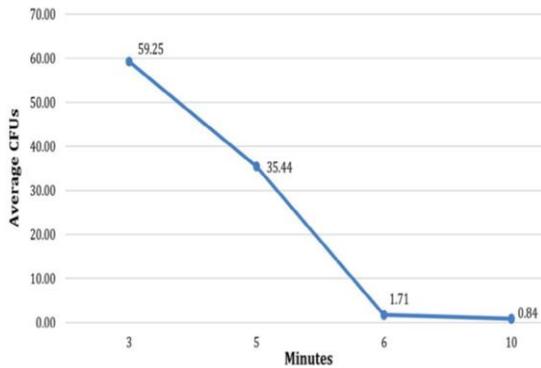


Radiazione UVC 254 nm  
attivata in continuo



6-minute every hour  
light is interrupt if  
keyboard use is  
required

Comparison of pre- and post-UV decontamination median CFU values revealed a **>99% reduction in bacteria**. The UV lamp effectively decontaminates keyboards with minimal interruption and **low UV exposure**



UVC exposure calculation

Metric	6-min cycle/90-s delay
Average daily cycles initiated	83.51 cycles
Average cycle interruption rate, %	54.64
Average daily interruptions	45.63 cycles
Average interruptions per 8-h period	15.21 cycles
Maximum UVC exposure per interruption, s	1
Average UVC exposure per 8-h period, s	15.21
NIOSH UVC (60 $\mu\text{W}/\text{cm}^2$ ) limit per 8-h period, s	100
Percent of NIOSH limit	15.21% of NIOSH limit

NIOSH, National Institute for Occupational Safety and Health; UVC, ultraviolet-C.

# Le radiazioni elettromagnetiche UV-A



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Environmental decontamination of a hospital isolation room using high-intensity narrow-spectrum light

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Riduzione del 90% di *S.aureus* (anche MRSA) in assenza di pazienti in un Centro Grandi Ustionati. La riduzione scende al 56-86% in presenza di pazienti con ferite infette stafilococchi

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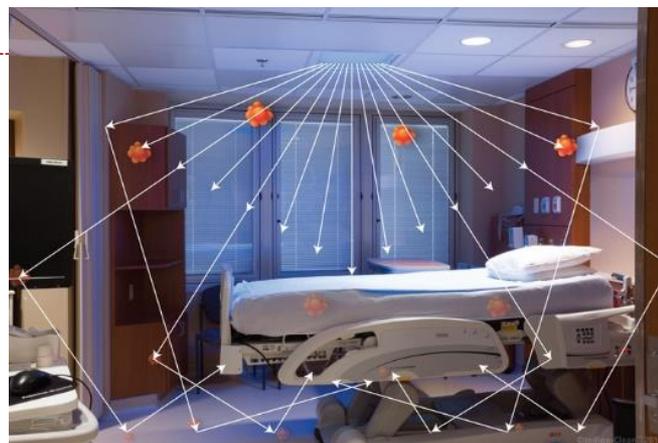
Review

405 nm light technology for the inactivation of pathogens and its potential role for environmental disinfection and infection control

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**Radiazione UV-A continua emessa da LED a 405 nm**

## VANTAGGI

- Può essere utilizzata **in presenza del paziente/operatore** ai livelli di irradiazione raccomandati (150 a 2000 J/m<sup>2</sup>; Hooke RJ, PPS 2017).
- Azione intracellulare con attivazione dello stress ossidativo, anche nei confronti delle **spore**
- Non induce resistenza**
- L'efficacia **non decade** con la distanza
- Elevata **compatibilità con i materiali**
- Può penetrare la **plastica, il vetro e i tessuti**

# Vapore o aerosol di perossido di idrogeno



## ATTIVITÀ

- Produzione del **radicale idrossilico** da **30-35% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (vapore)** **5-12% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (aerosol)**. Particelle da **0.5 a 10 µm**.
- Attivo su un **ampio spettro** di microrganismi, anche MDRO; meno sensibili batteri produttori di **catalasi e perossidasi**.
- L'attività più elevata in fase gassosa (**vapore saturo**), spesso potenziata per **sinergismo da ioni metallici (Ag), ac. peracetico, dal calore, dall'energia ultrasonica**

## VANTAGGI

- Compatibile** con la maggior parte dei materiali.
- Efficace anche sui **materiali porosi** (tessuti)
- Biodegradabile**: il vapore viene rimosso per **conversione catalitica attiva (H<sub>2</sub>O, O<sub>2</sub>)**; l'aerosol per deposizione passiva.
- Sistemi automatici con **tracciabilità** delle operazioni
- Apparecchi conformi alle **normative europee (NF T 72-281)**

## SVANTAGGI

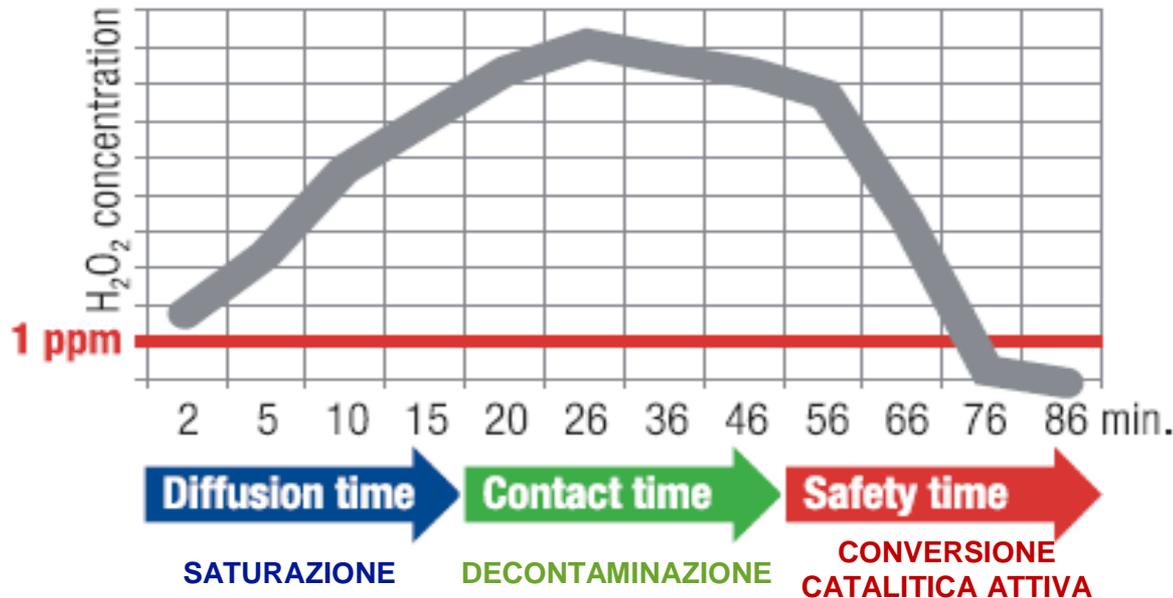
- Vietata la presenza di persone** nel locale in corso di trattamento
- Per i sistemi a vapore è necessario **confinare l'ambiente**
- È necessario rispettare i **tempi per l'accesso al locale** (H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> < 1ppm=1,4 mg/m<sup>3</sup>). Nei sistemi a vapore la conversione catalitica riduce i tempi di decadimento

# Vapore o aerosol di perossido di idrogeno

- Trattamento di locali fino a 300 m<sup>3</sup>
- **Processo automatico**
- **Avvio ritardato**
- **Portata costante** del prodotto
- **Tracciabilità** su chiave USB
- Identificazione del **locale e dell'addetto** mediante lettore di codice a barre



## Ciclo completo di decontaminazione



**NECESSARIO  
MONITORAGGIO RESIDUI  
ACGIH TLV-TWA  
<1ppm = 1,4 mg/m<sup>3</sup>**

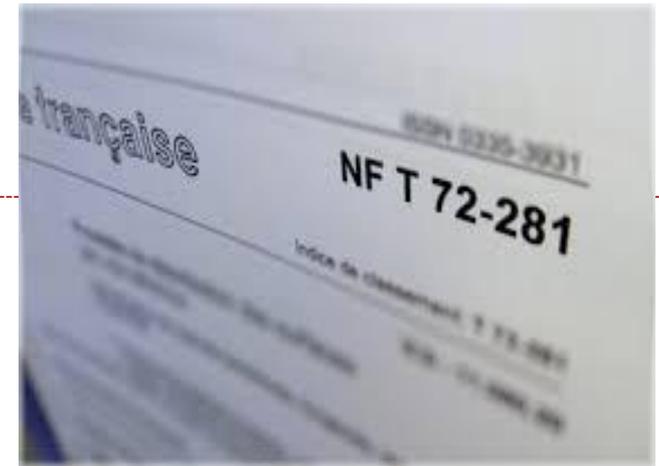


H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> detector

# Standard NF-T 72-281, AFNOR 2014

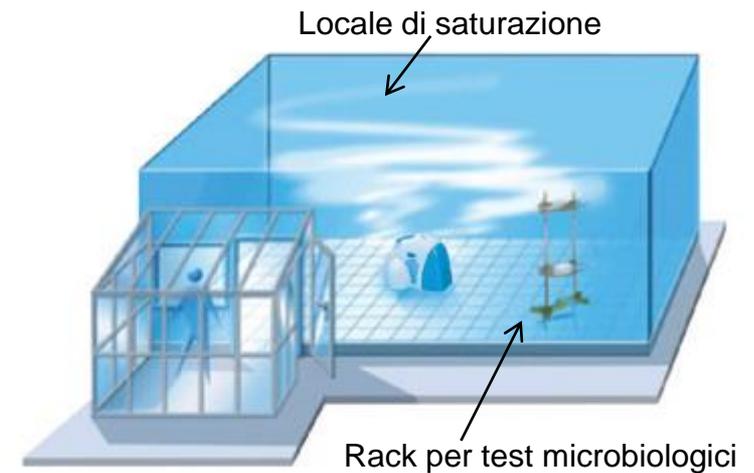


Lo Standard fornisce il metodo di prova per valutare il **sistema Nebulizzatore/biocida** come efficacia nella disinfezione delle superfici per via aerea.



PATHOGENS	STRAINS	Logarithm reduction objectives specified by NF T72-281: 2014
BACTERIA	<i>Pseudomonas aeruginosa</i> <i>Escherichia coli</i> <i>Staphylococcus aureus</i> <i>Enterococcus hirae</i>	5 log
FUNGI & YEAST	<i>Candida albicans</i> <i>Aspergillus brasiliensis (niger)</i>	4 log
SPORES	<i>Bacillus subtilis</i> <i>Clostridium difficile</i>	3 log
TUBERCULOSIS & MYCOBACTERIA	<i>Mycobacterium terrae</i> <i>Mycobacterium avium</i>	4 log
VIRUS	<i>Adenovirus</i>	4 log

## Il Regolamento UE sui biocidi n. 528/2012: BIOCIDI GRUPPO 1

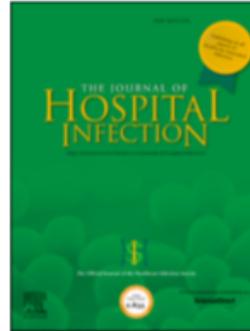


# Vaporizzazione a perossido di idrogeno

Journal of Hospital Infection (2016), doi: 10.1016/j.jhin.2016.01.016.

Efficacy of two hydrogen peroxide vapour aerial decontamination systems for enhanced disinfection of meticillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*, *Klebsiella pneumoniae* and *Clostridium difficile* in single isolation rooms

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**Device 1:** vapor produced by 30% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> at 130°C, followed by catalytic conversion

**Device 2:** vapor produced by 4,9% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> with piezo-ultrasonics, equipped with an aeration unit integrated

Enhanced disinfection using HPV **reduced surface contamination to low levels:** HPS1 [0.25 CFU, IQR 0-1.13] and HPS2 (0.5 CFU, IQR 0–2.0).

Both systems demonstrated similar turnaround times (**~2–2.5 h**), and no differences were observed in the efficacy against ***C. difficile*** (~5.1 log<sub>10</sub>) ***MRSA/K. pneumoniae*** (~6.3 log<sub>10</sub>).

**MRSA persisted on 27% of coupons after HPV decontamination.**

# Efficacia del vapore di perossido di idrogeno



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Short report

**Reduction in *Clostridium difficile* infection associated with the introduction of hydrogen peroxide vapour automated room disinfection**

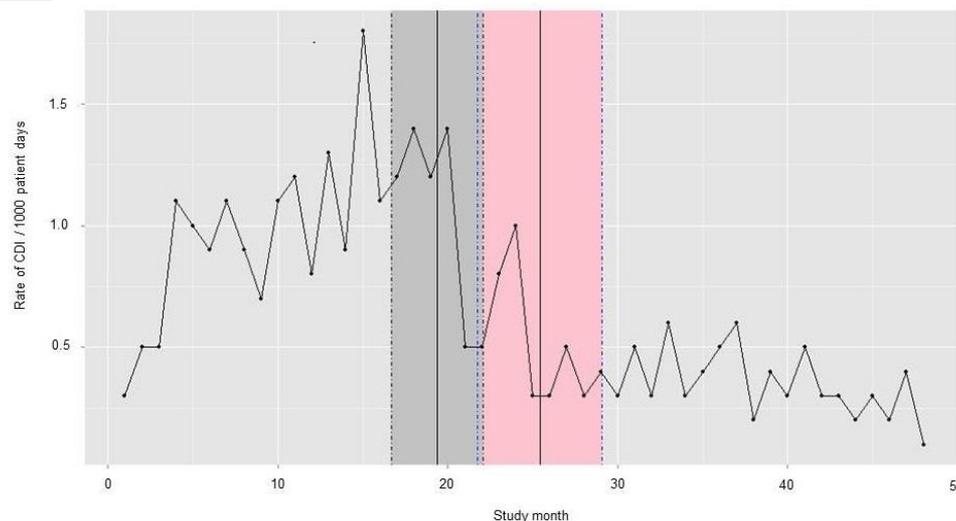
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2 years before HPV, 2 years during HPV. Breakpoint model indicated **significant reduction in rate of CDI when HPV implemented** (1.0 to 0.4 per 1000 patient days).

**Riduzione del 60% delle infezioni da *C. difficile* dopo l'introduzione del trattamento a vapore di H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>**



# Efficacia del vapore di perossido di idrogeno



## An Evaluation of Environmental Decontamination With Hydrogen Peroxide Vapor for Reducing the Risk of Patient Acquisition of Multidrug-Resistant Organisms

MAJOR ARTICLE

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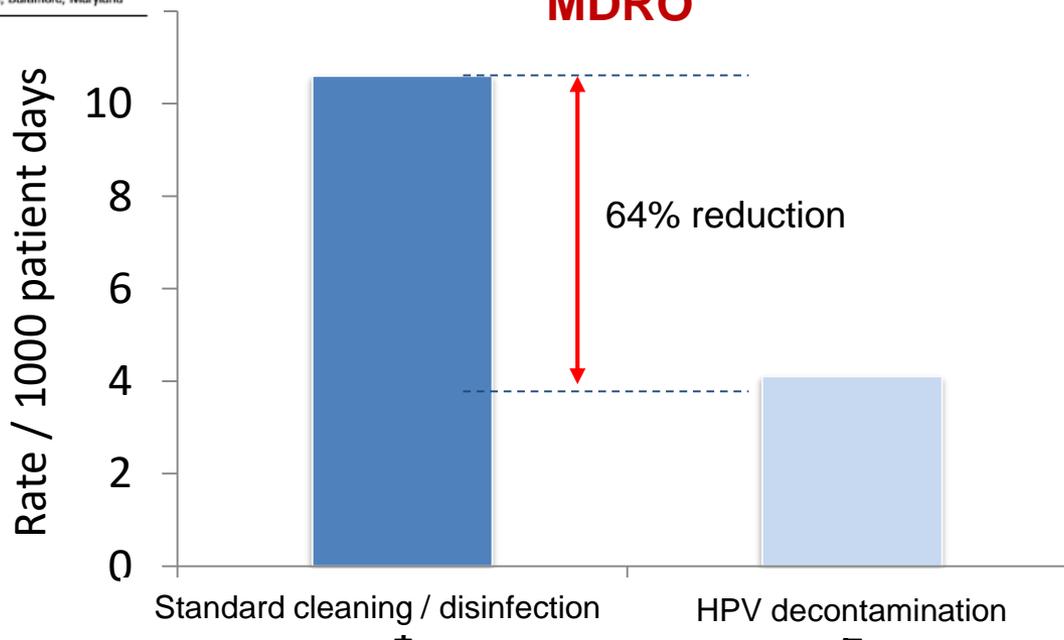
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(See the Editorial Commentary by McDonald and Arduino, on pages 36-9.)

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30-month prospective cohort intervention study performed on 6 high-risk units (5 ICUs) including **8813 patients at Johns Hopkins Hospital.**

**Riduzione del 64% del tasso di acquisizione di MDRO**



# Efficacia aerosol vs vapore di perossido di idrogeno

Blazejewski et al. *Critical Care* (2015) 19:30  
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RESEARCH

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## Efficiency of hydrogen peroxide in improving disinfection of ICU rooms

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Aerosolizer device compliant with French standard **NF T 72-281**

5 ICUs, 182 rooms: **H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> technologies were efficient** for environmental MDRO decontamination (6% of rooms contaminated with MDRO at T1 versus 0.5% at T2, P = 0.004).

**No significant difference** was found between the **aerosolizer, using 7% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> and 0,25% peracetic acid (aHPP; treatment time 2h, 54min)** and the **vaporizator, using 30% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (HPV; 1h, 40min)**, regarding the rate of rooms contaminated with MDRO at T2 (P = 0.313)

**The residual concentration of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> appears to be higher using aHPP, compared with HPV, probably due to its elimination by passive deposition**

# Vaporizzazione ad acido peracetico



## Vapore di acido peracetico 1260 ppm (7ml/m<sup>3</sup>)

Application standard NF T 72-281 (November 2014)

<b>BACTERIA</b>	Enterococcus hirae	6,8log	30 min.
	Escherichia coli	5,3log	30 min.
	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	6,2log	30 min.
	Staphylococcus aureus	6,8log	30 min.
<b>MYCOBACTERIA</b>	Mycobacterium terrae	6,3log	60 min.
	Mycobacterium avium	6,2log	60 min.
<b>YEASTS</b>	Candida albicans	5,8log	15 min.
<b>MOULDS</b>	Aspergillus brasiliensis	6log	120 min.
<b>VIRUSES</b>	Enterovirus Polio	4,58log	60 min.
	Adenovirus	4,16log	60 min.
	Norovirus Murin MNV	5,5log	60 min.
<b>SPORES OF BACTERIA</b>	Bacillus subtilis	3,2log	120 min.

**Produzione di  
ac. peracetico 1260ppm  
da perossido di idrogeno al  
2,5% e acido acetico al 4,4%  
(7ml/m<sup>3</sup>)**

Richiesti **5 ricambi d'aria**  
al termine della  
nebulizzazione  
(TWA: 0,2 ppm, 0.6 mg/m<sup>3</sup>)

# Vaporizzazione ad acido peracetico



Thevenin *et al.* *BMC Infectious Diseases* 2013, **13**:177  
<http://www.biomedcentral.com/1471-2334/13/177>



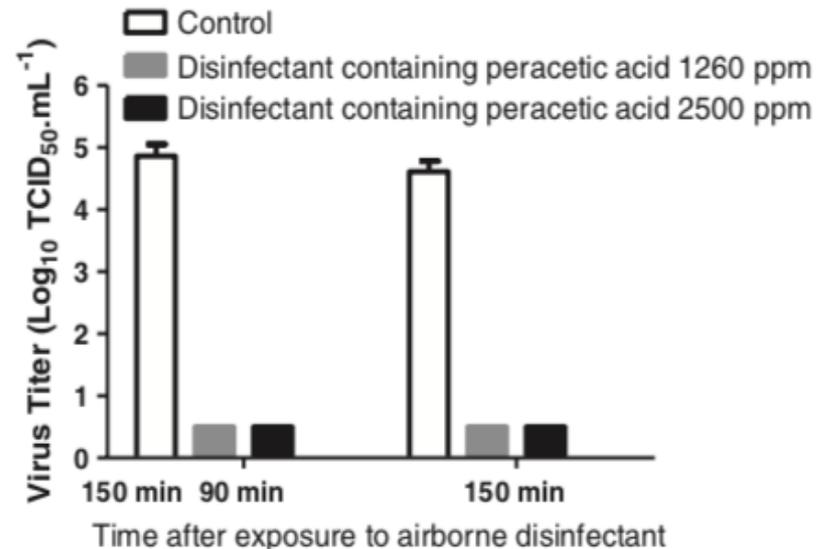
RESEARCH ARTICLE

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## Inactivation of an enterovirus by airborne disinfectants

Thomas Thevenin<sup>†</sup>, Pierre-Emmanuel Lobert<sup>†</sup> and Didier Hober<sup>\*</sup>

**4 log reduction on Poliovirus type 1 of peracetic acid-based airborne disinfectants (1260ppm and 2500ppm) spread into the room by hot fogging at 55°C for 30 minutes at a concentration of 7.5 ml/m<sup>3</sup>:**



# Vaporizzazione ad acido peracetico



## Compatibilità con i materiali

- Stainless steel 304
- Acrylobutadiene Styrene (ABS)
- PolyMethyl Methacrylate (PMMA)
- Polyethylene High Density (HDPE)
- PVC floors covering
- Polycarbonate (PC)
- Plexiglas®
- Metal sheet plasticized, painted, galvanized with epoxy paint
- Mattress cover (Dartex®, Polyurethane stretch)
- Cover of medical transport (Polyurethane, Rubber, Polypropylene)

# Vapore di Perossido di idrogeno VS Emissione UVC



<b>Variabile</b>	<b>UVC-continua o UVC-pulsata</b>	<b>Vapore di Perossido di idrogeno</b>
Modalità d'uso	Decontaminazione di <b>più stanze</b>	Decontaminazione di <b>una stanza</b>
Livello di efficacia richiesto	<b>Riduzione significativa dei patogeni</b>	<b>Eliminazione totale dei patogeni</b>
Tempo richiesto per il trattamento	<b>15min - 45min</b>	<b>2-2,3 ore</b>

Havil NL et al. Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol 2012; 33: 507

Otter JA et al. J Hosp Infect 2013: 83:1

## Clinical Practice Guidelines for *Clostridium difficile* Infection in Adults and Children: 2017 Update by the Infectious Diseases Society of America (IDSA) and Society for Healthcare Epidemiology of America (SHEA)

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Hydrogen peroxide vapour (HPV)

Aerosolised hydrogen peroxide (AHP)

Ultraviolet radiation (UVC)

Pulsed-xenon UV (PX-UV)

## DISINFEZIONE AMBIENTALE AUTOMATIZZATA

What is the role of automated terminal disinfection using a method that is sporicidal against *C. difficile*?

1. There are limited data at this time to recommend use of automated, terminal disinfection using a sporicidal method for CDI prevention (*no recommendation*).



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Guidelines

Guidance document for prevention of *Clostridium difficile* infection in acute healthcare settings

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## DISINFEZIONE AMBIENTALE AUTOMATIZZATA

*Are no-touch disinfection systems as effective as hypochlorite to reduce the environmental contamination in rooms of patients with CDI?*

### Recommendation for outbreak and endemic settings

The panel concludes that both in the outbreak and the endemic setting, **no touch disinfection systems may be as effective in reducing transmission/incidence of CDI as hypochlorite** (very low quality of evidence).

# Take home message....



Le nuove tecnologie possono essere un valido ausilio nell'implementazione dei protocolli di pulizia e disinfezione ambientale, ma la loro scelta deve essere effettuata in base a:

- **Efficacia nella riduzione dei patogeni** ad alta persistenza ambientale (attività sporicida se richiesta), anche in presenza di **residui organici**
- **Tasso di utilizzo del posto letto**: se vicino al 100% è necessario scegliere il sistema automatizzato più rapido
- Possibilità di **confinare il locale e disattivare i sistemi di aerazione**
- Disponibilità di **personale dedicato e formato**
- **Costo**
- **Rischi per gli operatori**

Sono ancora limitate le evidenze che dimostrano il loro ruolo nella riduzione delle ICA



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