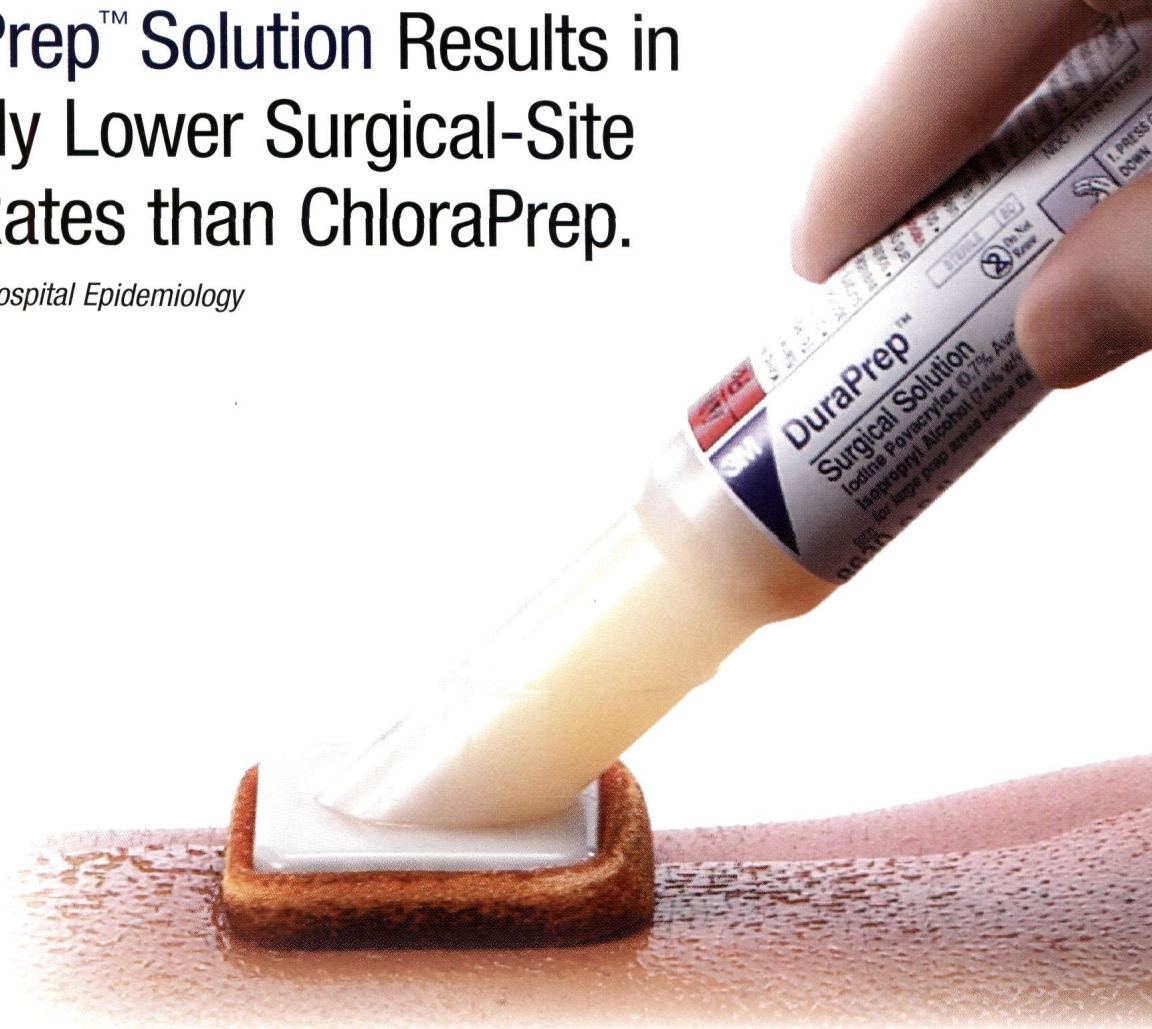


Newly Published Study:

3M™ DuraPrep™ Solution Results in Significantly Lower Surgical-Site Infection Rates than ChloroPrep.

— *Infection Control and Hospital Epidemiology*
October 2009



- The study¹ concluded:
 - “Skin prep is an important factor in the prevention of surgical site infection.”
 - DuraPrep solution had a significantly lower SSI rate than ChloroPrep. (4.8% vs 8.2% $P=.001$)
- The study Included more than 3200 general surgery patients at the University of Virginia Health System.
- “Previous studies examined only specific surgical sites or relied on less impactful surrogate endpoints such as microbial counts,” stated co-author Dr. Robert C. Sawyer.

To receive a reprint of this study, talk to your 3M representative, call the 3M Health Care Helpline at 1-800-228-3957 or visit us at 3M.com/infectionprevention.

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*3M™ DuraPrep™ Surgical Solution (Iodine Povacrylex [0.7% available iodine] and Isopropyl Alcohol, 74% w/w) Patient Preoperative Skin Preparation.

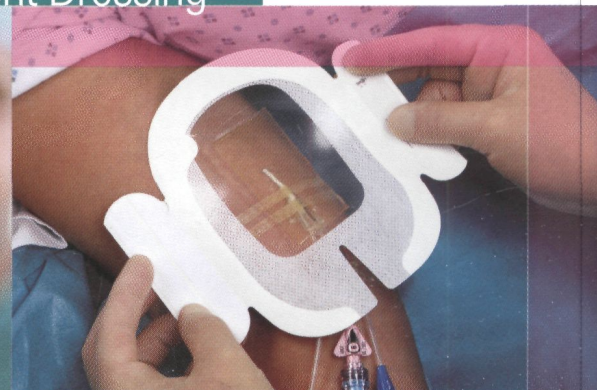
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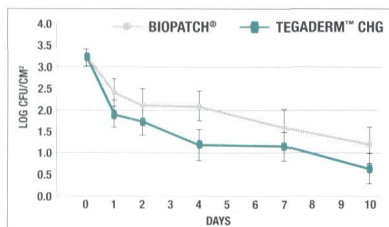


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