

抗菌縫線與手術病患安全

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Outline

- The global definition of SSI & TW current status
- Risk factors of SSI
- HE Clinical evidence of SSI prevention

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US CDC Report



- In the US, at least 780,000 SSIs occur each year¹
- SSIs account for about 37% of all hospital-acquired infections for surgical patients¹
- SSIs occur in up to 5% of surgical patients²
- SSIs are the 2nd most common nosocomial HAI (hospital-associated infection).³



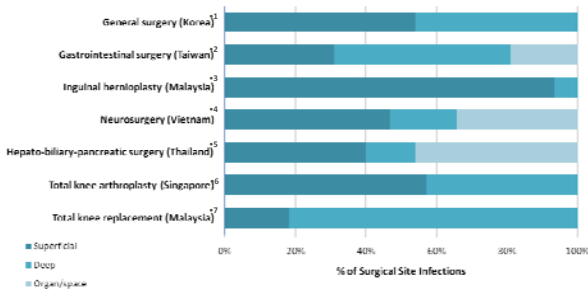
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Taiwan CDC report

- In Taiwan, SSIs account for approximately 4 - 15% of all HAIs.¹⁻³
- Overall incidence of SSI between 1 – 15%.^{2,4-6}
- Rate of SSI vary substantially according to:
 - Surgical procedure
 - Surveillance period (pre- and/or post-discharge)
 - Wound classification
 - Risk

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AP region SSI by procedure



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Incidence of SSI in CVS & GS

- Cardiothoracic and vascular surgery: 2.9 – 7.1%
- Gastrointestinal tract surgery: 1.4 – 48.3%

Source	Surgical procedure	Surveillance period	Incidence (%)
Cardiothoracic and vascular			
Wu 2006 ¹	CABG	Pre-discharge 30 days post-discharge	3.3% (106/3227) 5.6% (179/3227)
Pan 2000 ²	Open heart surgery	At least 4 weeks post-operation	2.9% (43/1491)
Ku 2005 ³	Cardiac surgery (sternal SSI) CABG (leg SSI)	30 days post-operation Not reported	5.1% (74/471) 7.1% (23/323)
Gastrointestinal tract			
Chuang 2004 ⁴	Open Cholecystectomy Laparoscopic cholecystectomy	30 days post-operation	14.4% (18/125) 1.4% (6/420)
Liu 2007 ⁵	Appendectomy for perforated appendicitis	Not reported	27.3% (33/121)
Shan 2003 ⁶	Gastric surgery	Pre-discharge	48.3% (70/145)

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Incidence of SSI in Orthopaedic surgery

- Orthopaedic surgery: 1.8 – 4.9%
- Other surgical procedures: 4.7 – 24.5%

Source	Surgical procedure	Surveillance period	Incidence (%)
Orthopaedic surgery			
Chang 2010 ¹	Total hip or knee replacement	Pre-discharge or re-admitted within 30 days post-operation	1.8% (56/3081)
Liu PC 2008 ²	Open reduction and internal fixation	At least 6 months post-operation	4.9% (7/142)
Kuo 2004 ³	Spinal surgery	At least 4 weeks post-operation	2.2% (72/3230)
Other surgical procedures			
Liu SA 2006 ⁴	Head and neck surgery	Pre-discharge	19.8% (197/997)
Liu SA 2008 ⁵	Head and neck surgery	30 days post-operation	24.5% (13/53)
Wu 1996 ⁶	Lung surgery	3 months post-operation	4.7% (5/107)

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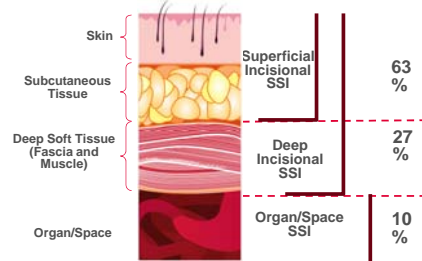
Definition Surgical Site Infection

- The US Centre for Disease Control (CDC) defines surgical site infection (SSI) as:
 - An infection that occurs at an incision site, or any part of the anatomy that was opened or manipulated during the procedure.
 - An infection that occurs within 30 days after surgery, or within 1 year in the presence of an implant.

Classification of Surgical Site Infections

SSI can be classified into two main types

- Superficial
- Deep
- Organ/space

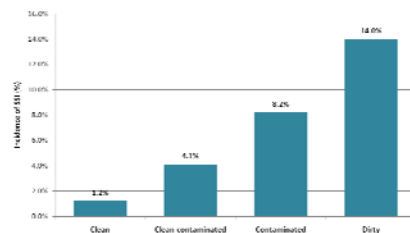


The majority of SSIs occur in the superficial layers – 63%

*Source: Centre for Disease Control (www.cdc.gov)

Incidence of SSI by wound classification

- None of the studies identified in Taiwan reported wound classification.
- However, one study in Japan showed that the incidence of SSI increased as wound conditions worsened.



*Source: Togo S et al. Yokohama Igaku 2008;59:55-59.

Mortality risk to patients with SSIs

- A patient with an SSI is:
 - 5x more likely to be readmitted after discharge¹
 - 2x more likely to spend time in intensive care¹
 - 2x more likely to die after surgery¹
- The mortality risk is higher when SSI is due to MRSA
 - A patient with MRSA is 12x more likely to die after surgery²

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SSIs Financial burden on the healthcare system in US

- The average cost of treating one SSI is between \$11,000 and \$35,000¹
- The average cost of treating one MRSA-related SSI is more than \$60,000²
- In total, SSIs have been estimated to cost the US healthcare system up to \$10 billion/yr¹

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SSIs Financial burden on the healthcare system in Taiwan

TKR	SSI Type	Incidence Rate	Avg Medical cost Per Patient	Avg. Length of Hospital stay	readmitted Rate	Mortality Rate
73,475pt	No SSI		NT\$135,802	9 days		
	Superficial SSI	2.33% (2.14%~2.65%)	NT\$137,413 (+ NT\$1,611)	Not reported	3.29% (2.95%~3.68%)	Not reported
	Deep SSI	1.32% (0.84%~1.64%)	NT\$173,249 (+ NT\$37,447)	27 days		
THR	SSI Type	Incidence Rate	Avg Medical cost Per Patient	Avg. Length of Hospital stay	readmitted Rate	Mortality Rate
	No SSI		NT\$108,886	11 days		
	Superficial SSI	2.92% (2.88%~2.95%)	NT\$128,029 (+ NT\$ 19,143)	Not reported	8.22% (7.62%~8.56%)	Not reported
Deep SSI	2.18% (1.48%~2.74%)	NT\$186,069 (+ NT\$77,182)	29 days	0.04%		

** medical cost is excluded patient self-pay items

- 2010 CDC DATA
- Web date :<http://www.nhi.gov.tw/> 行政院衛生署國民健康中心醫療服務網-醫療資訊及研究報導

Economic burden of SSI in Taiwan

Extended hospital stay associated with SSI

- Hospital stay: Additional 14 days
- ICU stay: 1 – 10 additional days

Source	Surgery type	Type of stay	Mean length of stay (days)		
			No SSI	SSI	Difference
Ku 2005 ¹	Cardiac surgery - sternotomy	ICU	53.9 hours ± 38.1	78.3 hours ± 48.4	~24 hours *
	Cardiac surgery- saphenous vein graft	ICU	53.9 hours ± 38.1	79.1 hours ± 76.4	~25 hours *
Sheng 2005 ²	All inpatients (medical centre)	ICU & Ward		Not reported	14.4 days ± 25.8
	All inpatients (community hospital)	ICU & Ward		Not reported	14.4 days ± 9.6
Wang 2000 ³	CABG (deep sternal wound infections)	ICU	4.9 days ± 5.85	14.9 days ± 14.09	~10 days *

* p<0.001

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Factors in Bacterial Colonization Leading to SSIs

Patient-related

Procedure/Techniques

Wound classification

Implants



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- Fletcher N et al. J Bone Joint Surg Am. 2007;89:1605-1618.
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- Fry DE. Medscape Surgery. 2003.

Who is at Risk of a SSI? Patient Characteristics

- Age
- Diabetes
 - HbA1C and SSI
 - Glucose > 200 mg/dL postoperative period (<48 hrs)
- Nicotine use
 - delays primary wound healing
- Steroid use:
 - Controversial
- Malnutrition:
 - no epidemiological association
- Obesity:
 - 20% over ideal body weight
- Prolonged preoperative stay:
 - surrogate of the severity of illness and comorbid conditions
- Preoperative nares colonization with *Staphylococcus aureus*:
 - significant association
- Perioperative transfusion:
 - controversial
- Coexistent infections at a remote body site
- Altered immune response

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Who is at Risk of a SSI? Operative Factors

- Duration of surgical scrub
- Maintain body temp
- Skin antiseptics
- Preoperative shaving
- Duration of operation
- Antimicrobial prophylaxis
- Operating room ventilation
- Inadequate sterilization of instruments
- Foreign material at surgical site
- Surgical drains
- Surgical technique
 - Poor hemostasis
 - Failure to obliterate dead space
 - Tissue trauma

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Who is at Risk of a SSI? Wound classification

Wounds are generally classified into four categories:¹

- Class 1 = Clean
- Class 2 = Clean contaminated
- Class 3 = Contaminated
- Class 4 = Dirty infected

NNIS project found that there are three independent variables associated with SSI risk²

- Contaminated or dirty/infected wound classification
- ASA > 2
- Length of operation > 75th percentile of the specific operation being performed

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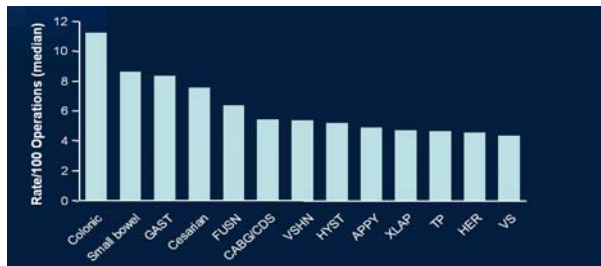
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Patient-associated risk factors identified in Taiwan

Source	Risk variable	Surgical procedure specified	Risk estimate (95% CI)	P value
Diabetes/blood glucose level				
Chuang 2004 ¹	Poorly controlled diabetes	Cholecystectomy	OR 4.7 (1.6, 13.5)	0.003
Wu 2006 ²	Diabetic	CABG	OR 2.02 (1.19, 3.42)	0.0099
Liu S-A 2006 ³	Diabetes mellitus	Head and neck surgery	OR2.51 (1.41, 4.48)	0.002
Age				
Ku 2005 ⁴	Age (years)	Saphenous vein harvest (leg)	OR 1.09 (1.01, 1.17)	0.029
Ku 2005 ⁴	Age (years)	Sternotomy	OR 1.14 (1.05, 1.23)	0.002
Shan 2003 ⁵	Age ≥60 years	Gastrointestinal	OR 3.15 (1.41, 6.92)	0.005

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SSI Risk according to Operative procedure: NNIS, 1992 to 2004



NNIS = National Nosocomial Infection Surveillance; GAST=gastric; FUSN=spinal fusion; CABG=chest and donor site; VSHN=ventricular shunt; HYST=abdominal hysterectomy; APPY=appendectomy; XLAP=laparotomy; TP=organ transplant; HER=hemiorrhaphy; VS=vascular

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Who should receive prophylaxis?

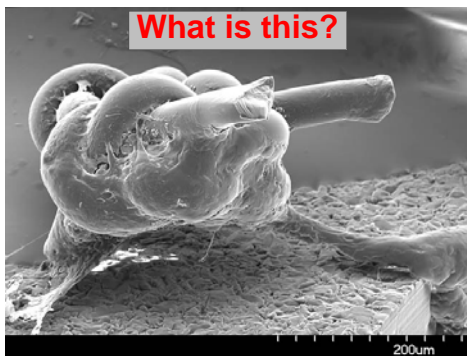
- Surgical procedures with a high rate of wound infection
 - Clean-contaminated, contaminated
 - Remember dirty cases receive therapeutic not empiric antibiotics
- Implantation of prosthetic materials

Surgical procedures where infection would have severe consequences

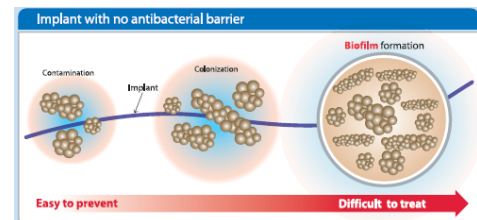
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Uncontrollable Risk Factor?



Implants and SSI



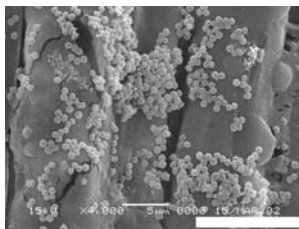
The result of an implant becoming contaminated

1. Implants provide nidus for attachment of the organisms²
2. The infection is harder to treat because of biofilm formation³
3. takes only 10² staphylococci per gram of tissue for an SSI to develop¹

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2. Ward KH et al. Mechanism of persistent infection associated with peritoneal implants. J. Med. Microbiol., vol. 36 (1992), p. 406-413
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Suture is the most common medical implant in most operations

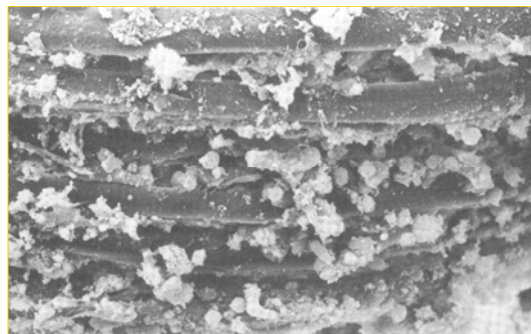
Staphylococcus Epidermidis Incisional Wound Infection



- Knot as a central repository, **bigger knots**¹
- **More than 66% of SSIs occur at the incision site**²
- **Even in operations classified as “clean,” there is still a risk of SSI**³

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Infected Silk Suture at 70 Days

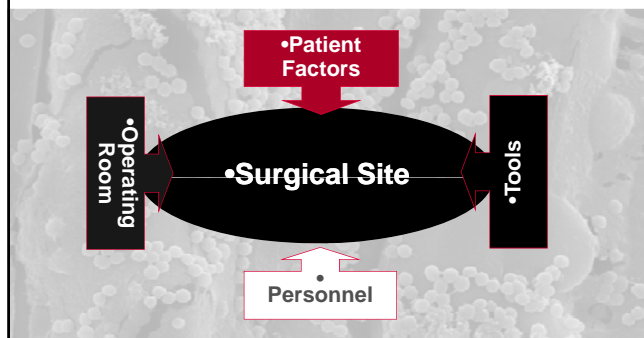


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Objective: Control Microbiologic Risk



Innovative technologies to address risk factors for SSIs

FDA-approved or cleared antibacterial devices

Antiseptic cloth	– 2% chlorhexidine gluconate (CHG) impregnated
Urologic devices	– Foley catheters—hydrogel/silver – Ureteral stents—triclosan eluting – Implantable prostheses—antibiotic
Central venous catheters	– CHG-impregnated disk (dressing) – Silver alone – Silver sulfadiazine (SS) – SS/CHG – Minocycline/rifampin
Peritoneal catheters	– Silver-coated
Vascular catheters	– Silver/antibiotic-coated
Orthopedic devices	– External fixation pins—silver – Antibiotic-impregnated polymethylmethacrylate (PMM)
Critical care	– Endotracheal tube
Surgical sutures	– Braided and monofilament with triclosan
Topical Skin Adhesives	– Wound Closure device / with proven microbial barrier claim

* <http://www.fda.gov/>

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Innovative Technology: Plus Antibacterial Sutures

Plus Antibacterial Sutures can address a risk factor often associated with SSIs

- Only antibacterial sutures cleared by the FDA
- >8 years of clinical use
- >135 million strands of Plus Sutures have been implanted worldwide
- >300 publications (both preclinical and clinical data)

MONOCRYL[®] Plus
 Antibacterial (Polyglactin 25) Suture

Coated **VICRYL[®] Plus**
 Antibacterial (Polyglactin 910) Suture

PDS[®] Plus
 Antibacterial (Polydioxanone) Suture

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Plus Antibacterial Sutures: Protection against bacterial colonization

Plus SUTURES are designed to reduce a risk factor for SSIs by preventing bacterial colonization of the suture^{1,2}

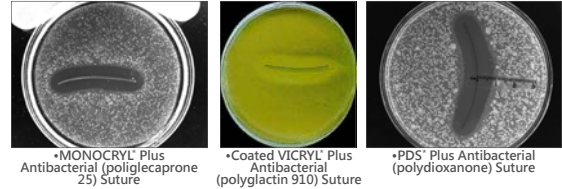
- Plus Sutures contain IRGACARE® MP (the purest form of triclosan)
- IRGACARE® MP actively inhibits colonization of the suture by pathogens commonly associated with SSIs, including:^{1,3,4}
 - *Staphylococcus aureus*
 - *Staphylococcus epidermidis*
 - MRSA
 - MRSE
 - *Escherichia coli*
 - *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

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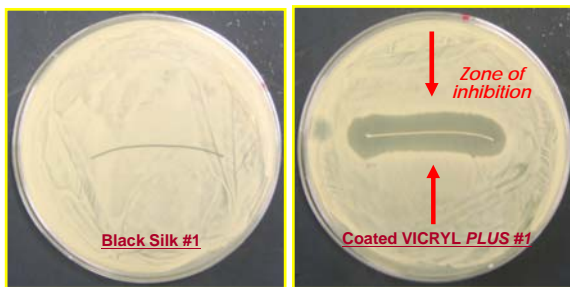
Plus Antibacterial Sutures: Protection against bacterial colonization

Plus SUTURES have been proven *in vitro* to create a **zone of inhibition** against the most common surgical site pathogens:¹⁻³



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Efficacy test of Coated VICRYL PLUS in MRSA



Tested and Photo Taken by Korea University Graduate School of Life Sciences Lab September 2007

Characteristics of Silk

1) Braided

- Bacteria is likely to adhere.



2) Extremely Hydrophilic

- To provide an **easy-to-live environment for bacteria**, where bacteria rapidly multiply. (**Bacteria need water to grow**)
- However **Synthetic Absorbable** have **low hydrophilic**, bacteria are unlikely to grow.



3) Natural Animal Protein

For bacteria...

Silk sutures, **natural animal protein**, are the source of nutrition for bacteria and thus bacteria multiply.

For Self-cells...

Since silk sutures are natural animal protein, the living body recognizes them as apparent enemies and starts attacking them.

(Since a virus is also a foreign protein, autoimmune cells attacks the virus)



4) Permanent Foreign Body in the Body

- Silk sutures remaining in the body are permanently recognized as foreign bodies at cellular level. (Foreign body reactions)

- However **Synthetic Absorbable sutures do not remain in the body as foreign body**.

HE Clinical Evidence

Impact of using triclosan-antibacterial sutures on incidence of surgical site infection

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- ♦ Publication: The American Journal of Surgery (2011) 202,133-138
- ♦ Method : prospective, randomized, double-blinded ,controlled multiple center study

Background

Study design:

- Study Group : 230 patients triclosan-coated polyglactin 910 antimicrobial sutures (Vicryl Plus) were used in all surgical steps except in some cases polypropylene was used for laparotomy closure and vascular suture
- Controlled Group : 220 patients conventional polyglactin 910 sutures (Vicryl) were used in all surgical steps except in some cases polypropylene was used for laparotomy closure and vascular suture, and Poliglecaprone 25 was used in skin closure.

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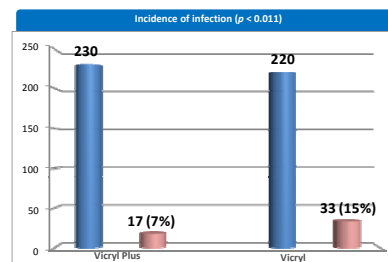
Basic parameters

	Study group	Control group	All cases	P
Number of patients	230	220	450	
Age group				
21-30 y	42	40	82	.5670
31-40 y	79	85	160	
41-50 y	90	75	165	
51-60 y	23	20	43	
Sex				
Male	148	127	275	.1499
Female	82	93	175	
Hypertension				
Hypertensive	50	50	100	.8010
Normotensive	180	170	350	
Diabetes				
Diabetic	32	42	74	.1386
Nondiabetic	198	178	376	
Smoking				
Smoker	105	107	212	.5261
Nonsmoker	125	113	238	
Traditional wound classification				
Clean	117	119	236	.9039
Clean-contaminated	71	72	143	
Contaminated	35	36	71	
Number of risk factors of surgical site infection*				
0	149	133	282	.8676
1	55	73	128	
2	26	14	40	

*National Nosocomial Infections Surveillance risk factor.

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Incidence of Surgical site infection



Number of risk factors of surgical site infection*	All	Study group	Control group
0	5%	3%	7%
1	17%	15%	19%
2	35%	19%	64%
Overall	11%	7%	15%

*National Nosocomial Infections Surveillance risk factor.

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Results

Table 7 Total cost per patient with or without surgical site infection

	Surgical site infection	No surgical site infection
Number of patients	50	400
Mean length of hospital stay	7.10	3.39
Daily cost	LE 180 (\$33) in first 3.39 days and LE 500 (\$91) in the extended period	LE 180 (\$33)
Total cost per patient	LE 2,485 (\$448)	LE 610 (\$112)

- Surgical site infections occurred in 17 of 230 patients (7%) in the study group versus 33 of 220 (15%) in the control group
- The mean extended stay in this study was 3.71 days.
- Per patient total cost is USD 448 in SSI group vs USD 112 in non-SSI group
- The impact on health care resources by the extra occupation of hospital beds could reach 16,695 bed-days annually.
- If these bed-days could be saved, this could increase the capacity by 4,925 surgical cases per year

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Plus Suture Clinical Data: Sternotomy

Triclosan-Coated Sutures for the Reduction of Sternal Wound Infections: Economic Considerations

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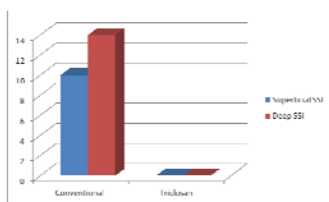
Department of Cardiothoracic Surgery, AKH Vienna, Medical University of Vienna, Department of Cardiothoracic and Vascular Surgery, KH Hietzing, and Department of Infection Control, Medical University of Vienna, Vienna, Austria

- **METHODS:** From May to December 2005, a total of 479 patients underwent a cardiac surgical procedure. From those, 103 patients were closed with triclosan-coated suture material (cost per patient \$30 [in United States dollars]), whereas the remaining 376 patients had their incision closed with noncoated sutures (cost per patient \$21).

Ann Thorac Surg. 2007 Jul;84(1):232-6.

Results

- **RESULTS:** During the study period, 24 patients had superficial (n = 10) or deep (n = 14) sternal wound infections (cost per patient \$11,200). All those patients were closed with conventional suture material. In the triclosan group, no wound infection or dehiscence was observed during hospital stay and follow-up visits.



• SSI Medical Extra Cost USD 11,200 / PATIENT

• Antibacterial Suture Extra cost Only USD \$ 9/PATIENT

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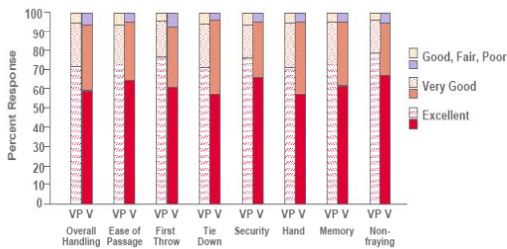
Conclusions

- **Triclosan-coated sutures might be valuable in the reduction of sternal wound infections and avoid the suture being a risk factor for surgical site infections. The increased cost of the coated suture material has to be weighed against the enormous cost of sternal wound infections caused directly by the cost of care as well as indirectly through the loss of economic productivity.**

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Plus Antibacterial Sutures: Intraoperative Handling Characteristics

Clinicians noted no significant difference in handling Plus SUTURES compared with the equivalent non-Plus suture



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The 3 indisputable facts of PLUS Sutures

1. Implants are a potential source of infection¹

2. Bacteria may colonize at the suture line²

3. Plus sutures create the **"Zone of Inhibition"** to prevent bacterial colonization²⁻⁴

¹ Mangram AJ, Horan TC, Pearson ML, Silver LC, Jarvis WR. Guideline for prevention of surgical site infection. *Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol*. 1999; 24:91-134

² Rothenburger S, Spangler D, Bhende S, Burkley D. In vitro antibacterial evaluation of coated VICRYL[®] Plus antibacterial suture. (coated polyglactin 910 with triclosan) using zone of inhibition assays. *Surg Infect (Larchmt)*. 2002; 3:79-87

³ Ming X, Nichols M, Rothenburger S. In vivo antibacterial efficacy of MONOCRYL[®] Plus Antibacterial Suture. (polyglactone 25 with triclosan). *Surg Infect (Larchmt)*. 2007; 8:209-213

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Plus Antibacterial Sutures

Proven *in vitro* to create a **zone of inhibition** around the suture against the most common surgical site pathogens

Spectrum of efficacy		VICRYL [®] Plus ¹	MONOCRYL [®] Plus ²	PDS [®] Plus ³
Gram positive bacteria	Staphylococcus aureus	+	+	+
	Staphylococcus epidermidis	+	+	+
	MRSA—methicillin resistant Staphylococcus aureus	+	+	+
	MRSE—methicillin resistant Staphylococcus epidermidis	+	+	+
Gram negative bacteria	Escherichia coli		+	+
	Klebsiella pneumoniae		+	+

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The things you are doing in the OR to prevent SSI – prevention is better than cure.



A Family of Antibacterial Sutures



ETHICON Plus SUTURES: leading the fight against surgical site infection.

BECAUSE ONE INFECTION IS ONE TOO MANY

GI tract dedicated Suture recommendation

Procedure	Recommended Suture	FAB
Gastrojejunostomy	4-0 Antibacterial PDS Suture	Inhibit MRSA, MRSE,SA,SE,E.Coli & K.P. 180 days absorption
	3-0 Antibacterial MONOCRYL Suture	Inhibit MRSA, MRSE,SA,SE,E.Coli & K.P.
Hepaticojejunostomy	5-0 Antibacterial PDS Suture with DBLE ARMED	Inhibit MRSA, MRSE,SA,SE,E.Coli & K.P. Easy to handle
	5-0 PROLENE Suture with DBLE ARMED CC needle	dedicated for anastomosis procedure
Colon anastomosis	Outer Layer 3-0 Antibacterial VICRYL Suture C/R	MRSA, MRSE,SA,SE time saving
	Inner Layer 4-0 Antibacterial PDS Suture	MRSA, MRSE,SA,SE,E.Coli & K.P.

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