

-
- ⁵²⁴ Merritt K, Hitchins VM, Brown SA. Safety and cleaning of medical materials and devices. *J Biomed Mater Res* 2000; 53: 131-6.
- ⁵²⁵ Babb JR, Bradley CR. Endoscope reprocessing: where do we go from here? *J Hosp Infect* 1995; 30: 543-51.
- ⁵²⁶ Spach DH, Silverstein FE, Stamm WE. Transmission of infection by gastrointestinal endoscopy and bronchoscopy. *Ann Intern Med* 1993; 118:117-28.
- ⁵²⁷ Hanson PJV, Gor D, Clarke JR, Chadwick MV, Nicholson G, Shah N, et al. Contamination of endoscopes used in AIDS patients. *Lancet* 1989; 2: 86-8.
- ⁵²⁸ Vesley D, Norlien KG, Nelson B, Ott B, Streifel AJ. Significant factors in the disinfection and sterilization of flexible endoscopes. *Am J Infect Control* 1992; 20: 291-300.
- ⁵²⁹ Rutala WA. APIC guideline for selection and use of disinfectants. *Am J Infect Control* 1996; 24: 313-42.
- ⁵³⁰ Urayama S, Kozarek RA, Sumida S, Raltz S, Merriam L, Pethigal P. Mycobacteria and glutaraldehyde: is high-level disinfection of endoscopes possible? *Gastrointest Endosc* 1996; 43: 451-6.
- ⁵³¹ BSG. Cleaning and disinfection of equipment for gastrointestinal endoscopy. Report of a Working party of the British Society of Gastroenterology Endoscopy Committee. *Gut* 1998; 42: 585-93.
- ⁵³² Chu NS, McAlister D, Antonoplos PA. Natural bioburden levels detected on flexible gastrointestinal endoscopes after clinical use and manual cleaning. *Gastrointest Endosc* 1998; 48: 137-42.
- ⁵³³ Cronmiller JR, Nelson DK, Salman G, Jackson DK, Dean RS, Hsu JJ, et al. Antimicrobial efficacy of endoscopic disinfection procedures: a controlled, multifactorial investigation. *Gastrointest Endosc* 1999; 50: 152-8.
- ⁵³⁴ Kovacs BJ, Chen YK, Kettering JD, Aprecio RM, Roy I. Highlevel disinfection of gastrointestinal endoscopes: are current guidelines adequate? *Am J Gastroenterol* 1999; 94: 1546-50.
- ⁵³⁵ Vesley D, Melson J, Patricia S. Microbial bioburden in endoscope reprocessing and an in-use evaluation of the high-level disinfection capabilities of Cidex PA. *Gastroenterology Nursing* 1999; 22: 63-8.
- ⁵³⁶ ESGE. Guidelines on cleaning and disinfection in GI endoscopy. *Endoscopy* 2000; 32: 77-83.
- ⁵³⁷ Recommended practices for high-level disinfection. 2002 Standards, recommended practices, and guideline. Denver: AORN; 2002. p. 211-6.
- ⁵³⁸ Rutala WA, Weber DJ. Importance of lumen flow in liquid chemical sterilization. *Am J Infect Control* 1999; 20: 458-9.
- ⁵³⁹ Sorin M, Segal-Maurer S, Urban C, Combest A, Rahal JJ. Nosocomial transmission of imipenem-resistant *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* following bronchoscopy associated with improper connection to the STERIS System 1 processor. *Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol* 2001;20:514-6.
- ⁵⁴⁰ CDC. Bronchoscopy-related infections and pseudoinfections-New York, 1996 and 1998. *MMWR* 1999; 48: 557-60.
- ⁵⁴¹ Allen JI. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* infection during endoscopy: reply [letter]. *Gastroenterology* 1987; 93: 1451.
- ⁵⁴² Streulens MJ, Rost F, Deplano A, Maas A, Schwam V, Serruys E, et al. *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and Enterobacteriaceae bacteremia after biliary endoscopy: an outbreak investigation using DNA macrorestriction analysis. *Am J Med* 1993; 95: 489-98.
- ⁵⁴³ Bronowicki J-P, Venard V, Botté C, Monhoven N, Gastin I, Choné L, et al. Patient-to-patient transmission of hepatitis C virus during colonoscopy. *N Engl J Med* 1997; 337: 237-40.
- ⁵⁴⁴ Graham DY, Osato MS. Disinfection of biopsy forceps and culture of *Helicobacter pylori* from gastric mucosal biopsies [letter]. *Am J Gastroenterol* 1999; 94: 1422-3.
- ⁵⁴⁵ Alvarado CJ, Stolz SM, Maki DG. Nosocomial infections from contaminated endoscopes: