

Acinetobacter

Keys to Reducing Cross-Contamination



Information

Did you know...

There are at least 19 different strains of Acinetobacter, but according to the CDC, *Acinetobacter baumannii* accounts for 80% of Acinetobacter infections.

Acinetobacter is a significant public health concern because it is a resilient, opportunistic pathogen that is genetically capable of quickly developing multidrug resistance.

What is Acinetobacter?

Acinetobacter is a genus of aerobic, gram-negative bacteria widely distributed in the environment (soil, water, air, food sources, environmental surfaces and people's skin).

Acinetobacter is harmless to most healthy people. However, critically ill people, patients in intensive care units and those with weakened immune systems, chronic lung disease or diabetes — or those on catheters or ventilators — are at a higher risk.

How is it transmitted?

Acinetobacter can be transmitted via contaminated hands, environmental surfaces, ventilators, tubing and other medical equipment. The risk of spreading and contamination is high, because it can survive on environmental surfaces for extended periods of time — an average of 27 days in healthcare settings — with the potential to survive up to three years!

What are the symptoms?

Acinetobacter can infect a variety of sites (skin, tissue, central nervous system, bone, respiratory tract, urinary tract and bloodstream); however, the skin and airways

of critically ill patients are primary targets. Typically, Acinetobacter causes nosocomial pneumonia and wound or blood infections. Fever, chills and cough are common symptoms.

How can it be prevented?

- Strict hand hygiene compliance
- Meticulous environmental cleaning, especially high-touch surfaces and medical equipment
- Isolation or cohorting of patients with minimized patient transport
- Use of gloves, gowns and masks
- Use of disposable equipment
- Prudent use of antibiotics

What should be used for environmental disinfection?

The proper use of an EPA-registered disinfectant with proven efficacy for Acinetobacter can reduce the risk of transmission.

Learn more about Acinetobacter baumannii at www.cdc.gov.

For more information, contact your Clorox sales representative or call: **800-234-7700.**

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Sources: CDC, IDSA and others

These Clorox Healthcare® Products Kill Acinetobacter*

Clorox Healthcare® products are suitable for use on a variety of hard, nonporous surfaces, including stainless steel, shower stalls and other synthetic materials, when used as directed. Use these products to disinfect frequently touched surfaces such as countertops, trash cans and desks.

Clorox Healthcare® Bleach

Germicidal Wipes

EPA Reg. No. 67619-12

6" x 5" Clinical Wipes, 6/150 ct., Item No. 30577 6.75" x 9" Multipurpose Wipes, 6/70 ct., Item No. 35309 12" x 12" Terminal Wipes, 2/110 ct., Item No. 30358 12" x 12" Terminal Wipes Refill, 2/110 ct., Item No. 30359



Germicidal Cleaners

EPA Reg. No. 56392-7 6/32 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 68970 6/32 fl. oz. Pull-Top, Item No. 68832 8/22 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 68967 6/64 fl. oz. Refill, Item No. 68973

4/128 fl. oz. Refill. Item No. 68978



Acinetobacter Kill Time: 30 sec

Acinetobacter Kill Time: 1 min

Dispatch® Bleach

Hospital Cleaner Disinfectant Towels with Bleach

EPA Reg. No. 56392-8

6.75" x 8" Wipes Canister, 8/150 ct., Item No. 69150

9" x 10" Wipes Soft Pack, 12/60 ct., Item No. 69260

8" x 10" Wipes Patient Transport Pack, 24/40 ct., Item No. 69240

7" x 8" Wipes Individually Wrapped, 6/50 ct., Item No. 69101



Acinetobacter Kill Time: 1 min

Clorox Healthcare® Hydrogen Peroxide

Cleaner Disinfectant Wipes

EPA Reg. No. 67619-25

6.75" x 5.75" Clinical Wipes, 6/155 ct., Item No. 30825 6.75" x 9" Multipurpose Wipes, 6/95 ct., Item No. 30824 12" x 11" Terminal Wipes, 2/185 ct., Item No. 30826

12" x 11" Terminal Wipes Refill, 2/185 ct., Item No. 30827



Cleaner Disinfectant Sprays

EPA Reg. No. 67619-24 9/32 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 30828 4/128 fl. oz. Refill, Item No. 30829



Acinetobacter Kill Time: 1 min

Acinetobacter Kill Time: 30 sec

Other Clorox® Disinfectants

Clorox® Broad Spectrum Quaternary Disinfectant Cleaner

EPA Reg. No. 67619-20 9/32 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 30649 4/128 fl. oz. Refill, Item No. 30651



Clorox Healthcare® Citrace® Hospital Disinfectant & Deodorizer

EPA Reg. No. 67619-29 12/14 fl. oz. Spray, Item No. 49100



Acinetobacter Kill Time: **2 min**Acinetobacter Kill Time: **5 min**

*Use as directed on hard, nonporous surfaces.



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