# **Dry Hydrogen Peroxide (DHP)** A Novel Solution for an Environmental Strategy

### Contamination Threats Never Stop. Why Would Your Disinfection Technology?

Unlike vaporized agents, UV, UV-C, or ozone producing technologies that only provide short-lived or localized disinfection, DHP exists safely and effectively within the environment. DHP continually reaches difficult surface contaminants and airborne microbes.

# **Contaminated Environmental Surfaces**

- Plays a critical role in transmission of pathogens.
- Research has shown as many as 50% of surfaces remain contaminated with pathogens, including multi-drug resistant organisms (MDRO) such as methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) despite regular manual cleaning efforts.
- New emerging threatening organisms like CRE and *C.Auris* pose additional environmental challenges.



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Pathogen	Survival Time
S. aureus (including MRSA)	7 days to >12 months
Enterococcus spp. (including VRE)	5 days to >46 months
Acinetobacter spp.	3 days to 11 months
Clostridium difficile (spores)	>5 months
Norovirus (and feline calicivirus)	8 hours to >2 weeks
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	6 hours to 16 months
Klebsiella spp.	2 hours to >30 months

Adapted from Hota B, et al. Clin Infect Dis 2004;39:1182-9 and Kramer A, et al. BMC Infectious Diseases 2006;6:130

# **Contaminated Environmental Surfaces**

#### Factors contributing to environmental contamination:

- Multiple reservoirs for these pathogens within the healthcare setting: *i.e. shared patient equipment, contaminated medical devices, contaminated air and surfaces*
- Ability of these micro-organisms to survive in the air and on inanimate surfaces for extended periods of time.
- Inconsistent cleaning/disinfecting protocols.
- In a multisite study, Carling et. al reported an average rate of just 32% for cleaning thoroughness.

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# Air Contamination

- Although traditionally the air is not a medium in which organisms grow, it plays as much of a role as contaminated surfaces do.
- The air itself is a vehicle or transport medium if you will of particulate matter, dust, spores and even harmful microorganisms like TB.
- Studies have shown that after flushing the toilet of a *C. diff* patient, the bacteria can be recovered from the air at heights around the toilet and can remain for up to 90 minutes. In addition these aerosolizations then fall and contaminate the surface environment.

#### Summary:

• Despite new disinfectants, checklists, focus on high touch surface areas and environmental monitoring, environmental and air contamination remains a current real risk in healthcare facilities contributing to transmission of pathogens.

#### Challenges

Microbial Reduction Safety of Occupants Occupied Spaces Microbial Threats

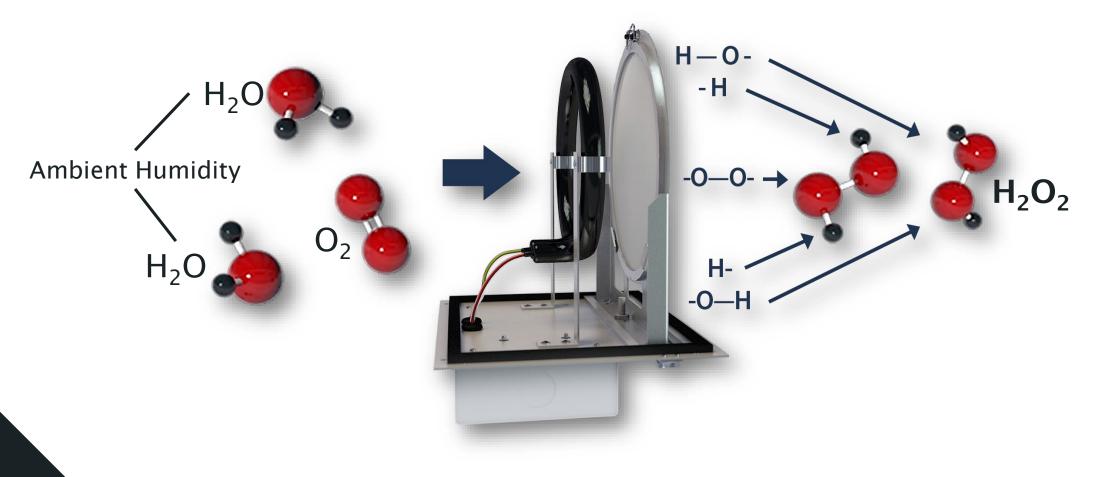
Viruses Bacteria Fungi Challenges



Continuous Operation Low Operational Cost Ease of Use

# Overview

### Dry Hydrogen Peroxide (DHP)



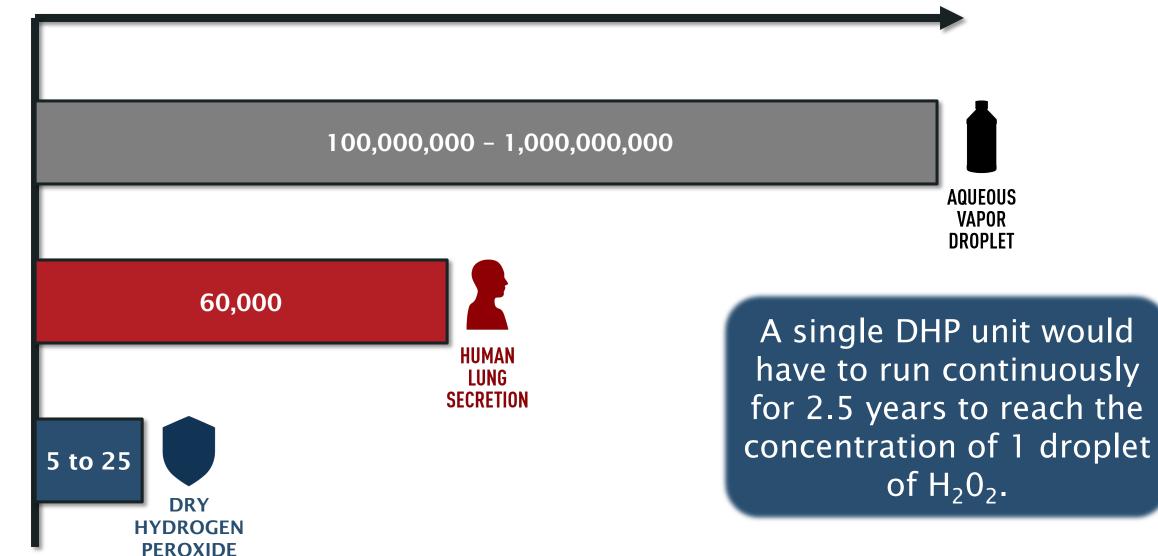
Safe, Green, Natural reduction of Viruses, Bacteria, Mold in the air and on surfaces.

### Dry Hydrogen Peroxide (DHP) in a typical facility



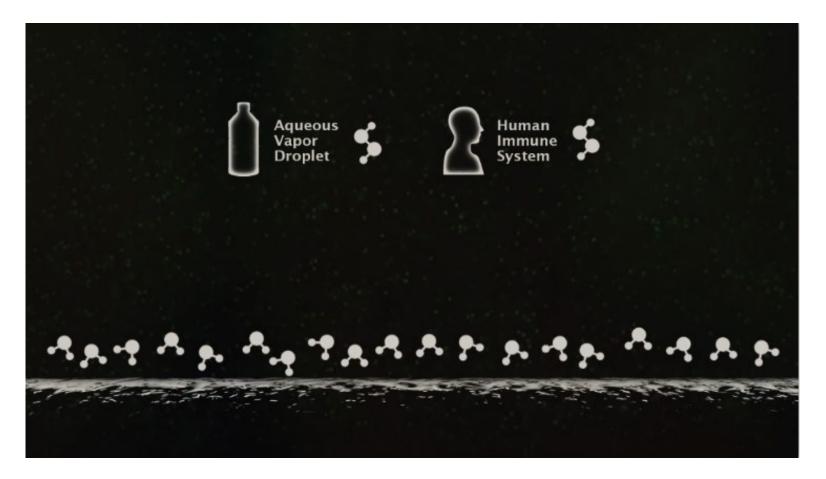
### **DHP Safety + Efficacy**

Molecules per cubic micron



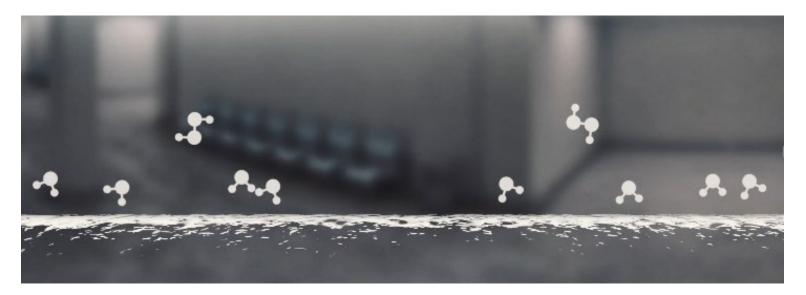
### DHP vs. Aqueous Hydrogen Peroxide

- For safety, aqueous hydrogen peroxide must be diluted with water.
- H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> competes with H<sub>2</sub>O for access to the microbes receptors.



### Dry Hydrogen Peroxide (DHP)

- DHP is effective at such low concentrations because it is nonaqueous + non-aerosolized.
- H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> levels are that of a gaseous state, can easily access the microbes receptors.



### **DHP Safety + Efficacy**

- Dry Hydrogen Peroxide (DHP) is a gas.
- It is not a vapor from aqueous hydrogen peroxide solutions.
- Behaves like oxygen and nitrogen, diffusing through the air.
- DHP produces extremely effective microbial reduction at

incredibly safe levels of  $H_2O_2$ .

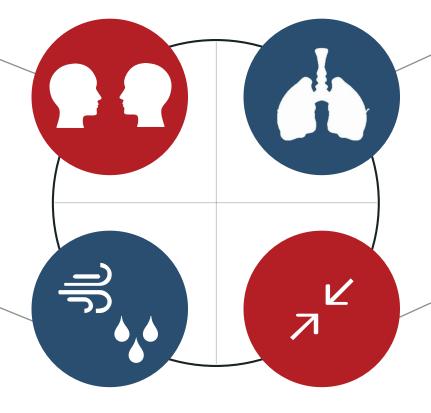
### The Origins of Dry Hydrogen Peroxide (DHP)

#### **Biomimetic Engineering**

Replicating a natural process, New technologies derived from the principles of biological organisms

#### Oxygen + Humidity

 $2H_2O(g) + O_2(g) + \rightarrow 2H_2O_2(g)$ Hydrogen Peroxide photocatalytically made from humidity and oxygen naturally present in the air



#### Our Immune System

Our lungs have enzymes that continuously convert oxygen and moisture in the lungs to Hydrogen Peroxide .

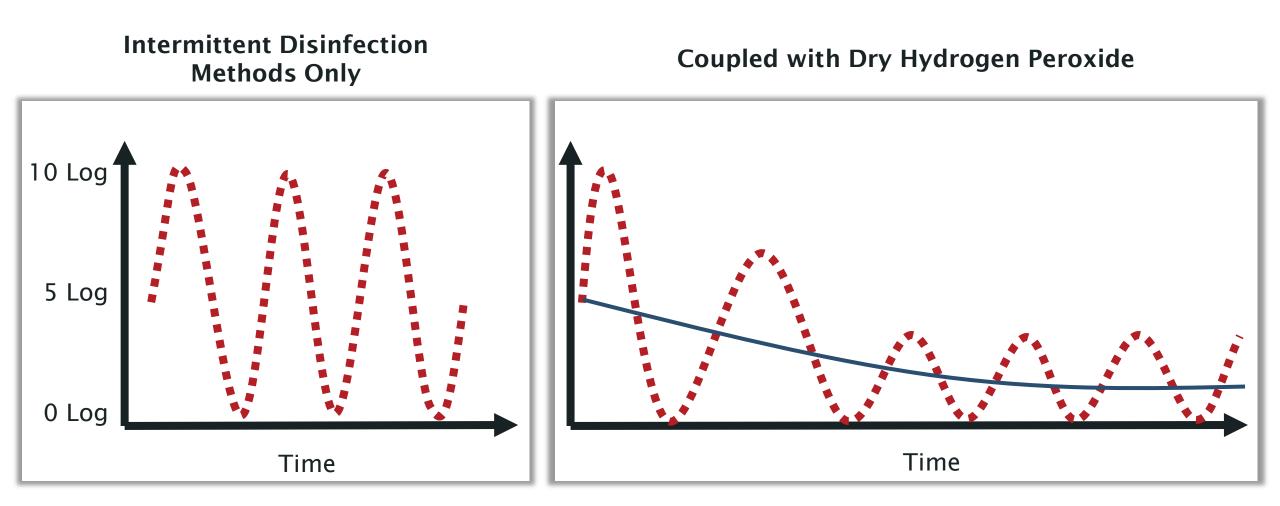
#### **Microbial Attraction**

Microbes need water to survive.  $H_2O_2$  has a very similar molecular structure to water and can also attach itself to microbes receptors.

### **The DHP Difference**

		Antimicrobial Surfaces	Cleaning Disinfectants	UV Light	Vaporized Agents	Dry Hydrogen Peroxide
	Effective against viruses, bacteria, fungi	•	•		٠	•
	Effective in out of reach areas				٠	•
Efficacy	Effective against airborne microbes				٠	•
	Sustainable microbial reduction	•	•			•
	Wide area of effect					•
	No labor commitment	•				•
Cost	Low operating and labor cost	•				•
	No requirement to renew solution	•				•
	Reduces risk of cross and recontamination					•
	Replicates a natural process					•
Safety	Comfort and safety of occupants	•				•
,	No odors, chemicals or solvents	•				•
	No bright lights	•	•			•
	Flexibility and ease of operation	•				•

### **A New Steady State**



### **Microbial Colonization in the Hospital Setting**

FIGURE ONE	CFL	J Count (per 100n	Pre-Cleaning to 187 hour	Post-Cleaning to 187 hour		
Microbe	Pre- Cleaning	Post-Cleaning	187 Hours	Reduction (%)	Reduction (%)	
S. Aureus	8	0	0	100%	NA	
Alcaligenes Xylosoxidans	29	28	9	69%	68%	
Mold	28	15	21	25%	-40%	
Candida Parapsilosis	з	1	0	100%	100%	
Pseudomonos Aeruginosa	25	20	1	96%	95%	
Enterobacter	0	2	1	NA	50%	
Pseudomonas Putida	2	0	0	100%	100%	
Flavobacterium Meningosepticum	з	0	0	100%	100%	
Pseudomonas Picketti	4	0	0	100%	100%	
Citrobacter	23	11	0	100%	100%	
Corynebacteria	0	9	0	NA	100%	

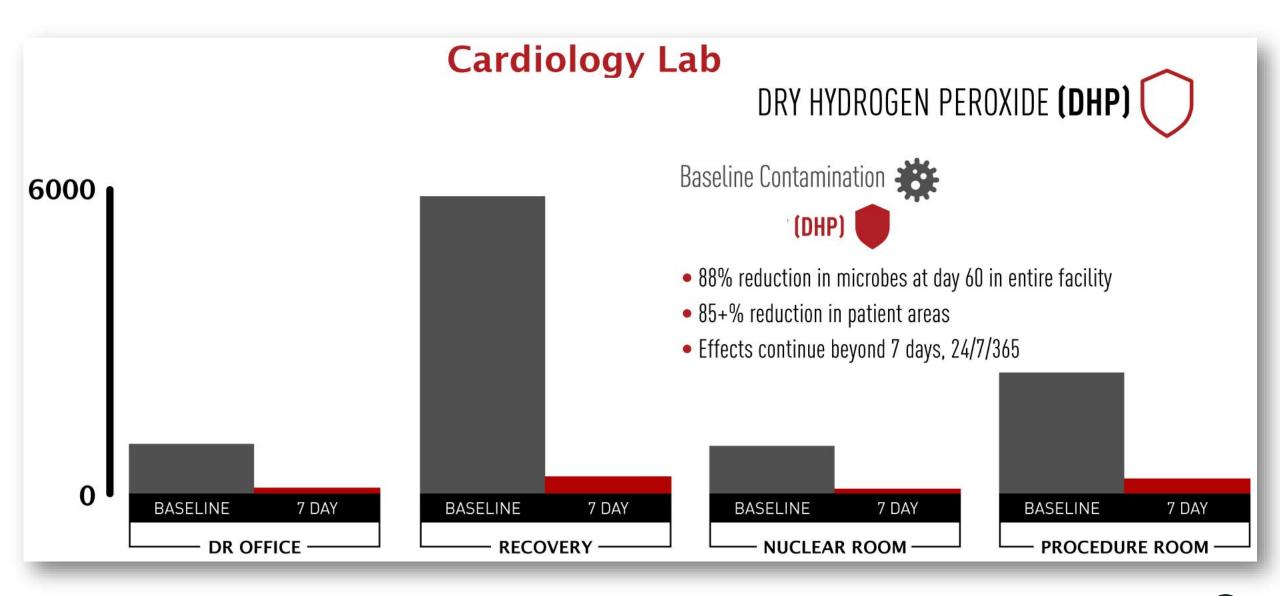
Dilute Hydrogen Peroxide Technology for Reduction of Microbial Colonization in the Hospital Setting

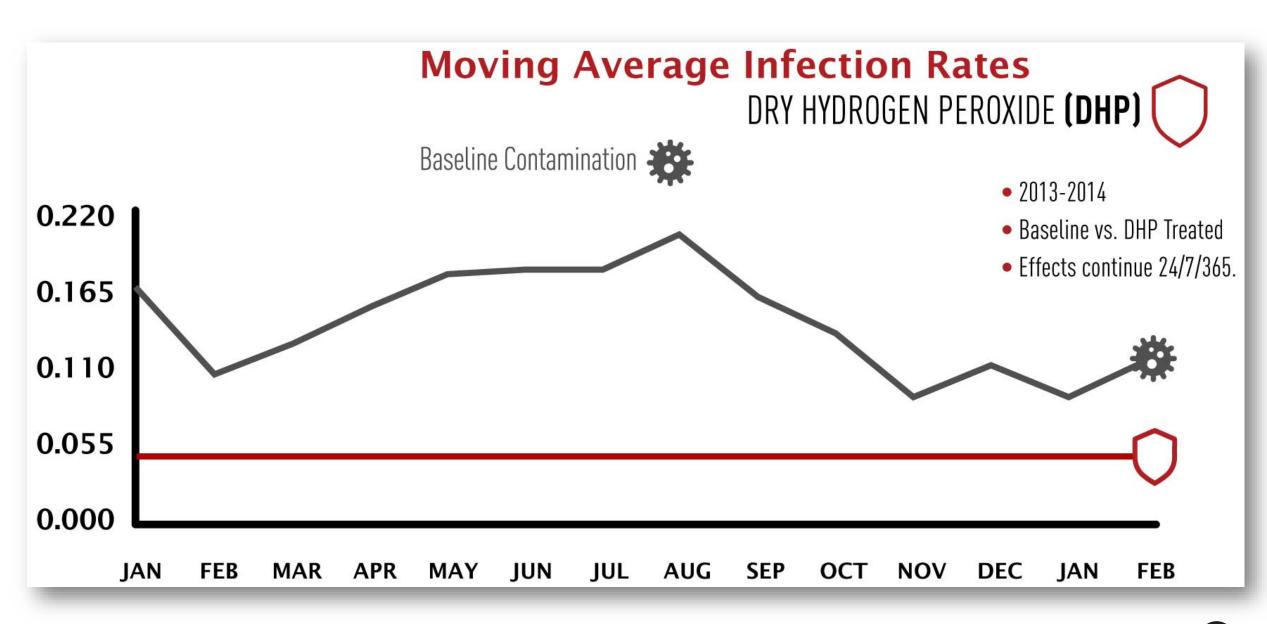


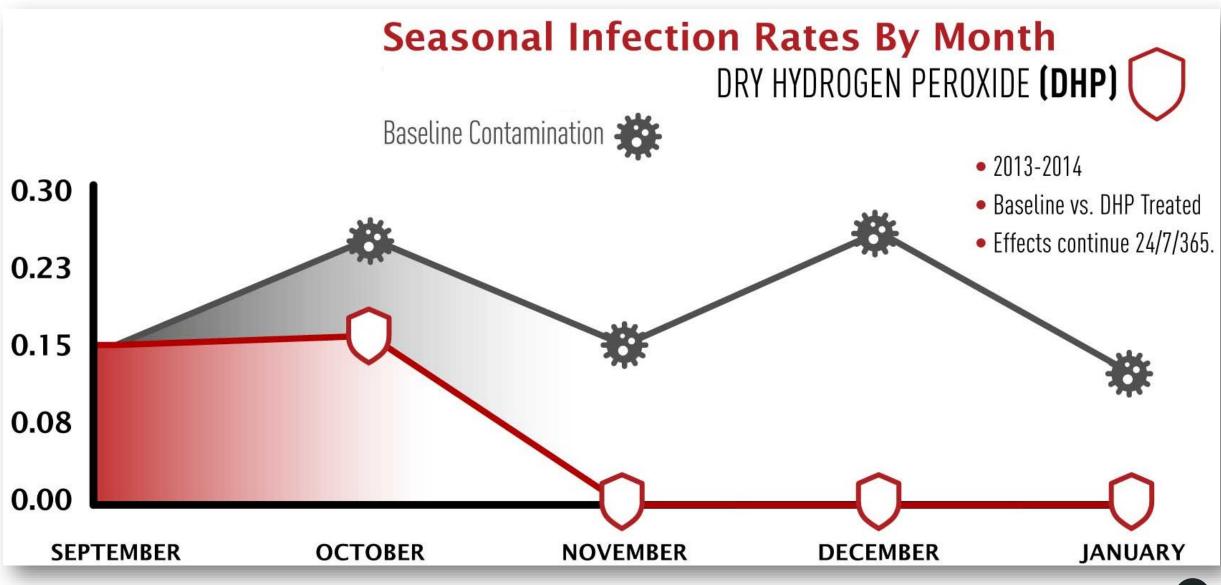
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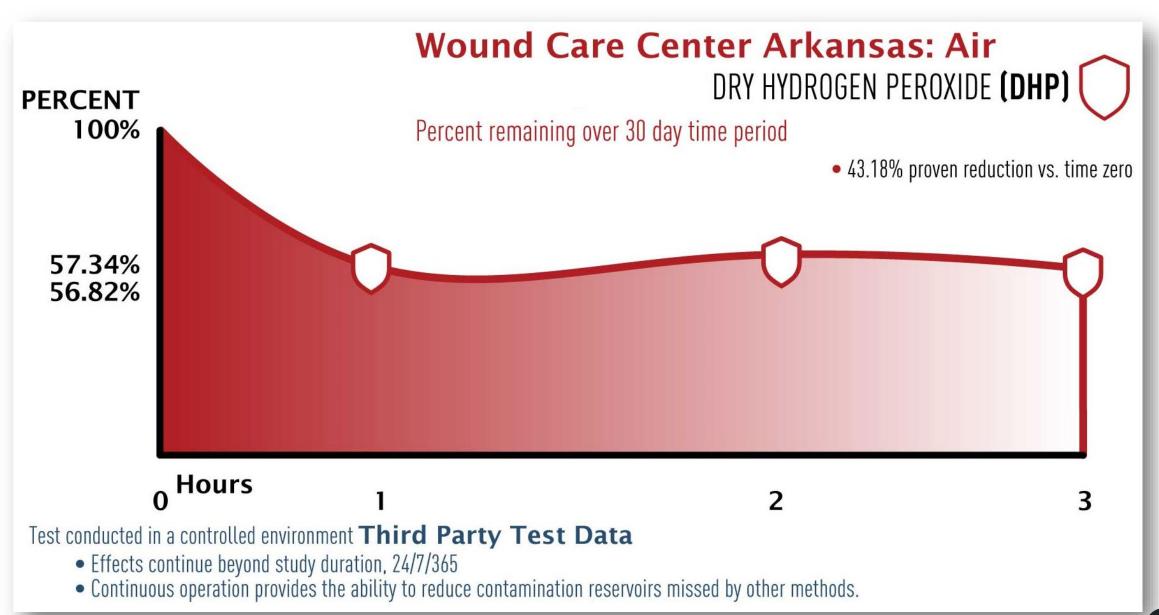
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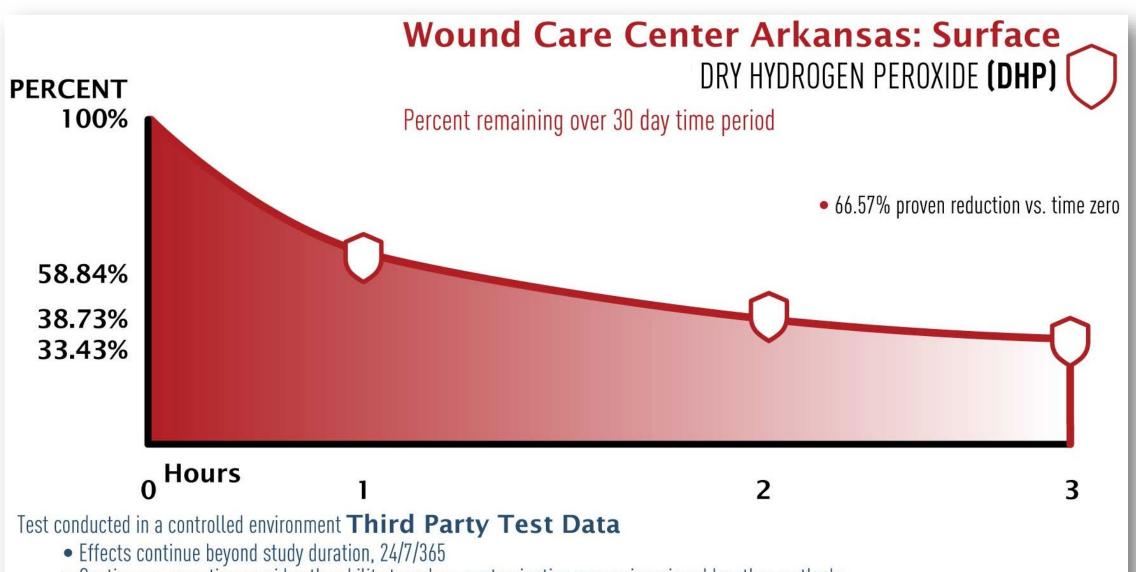






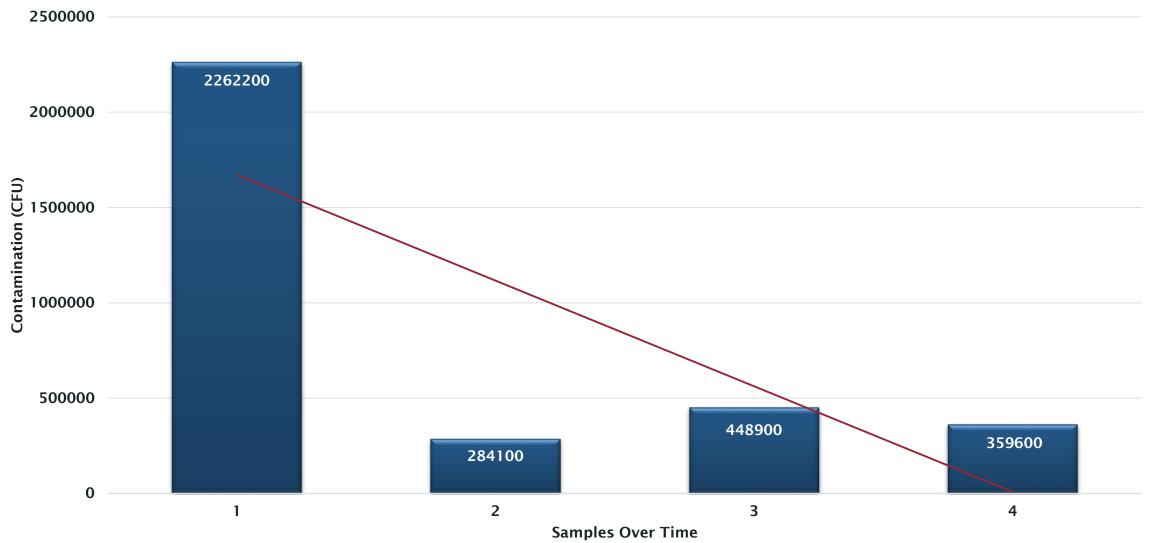


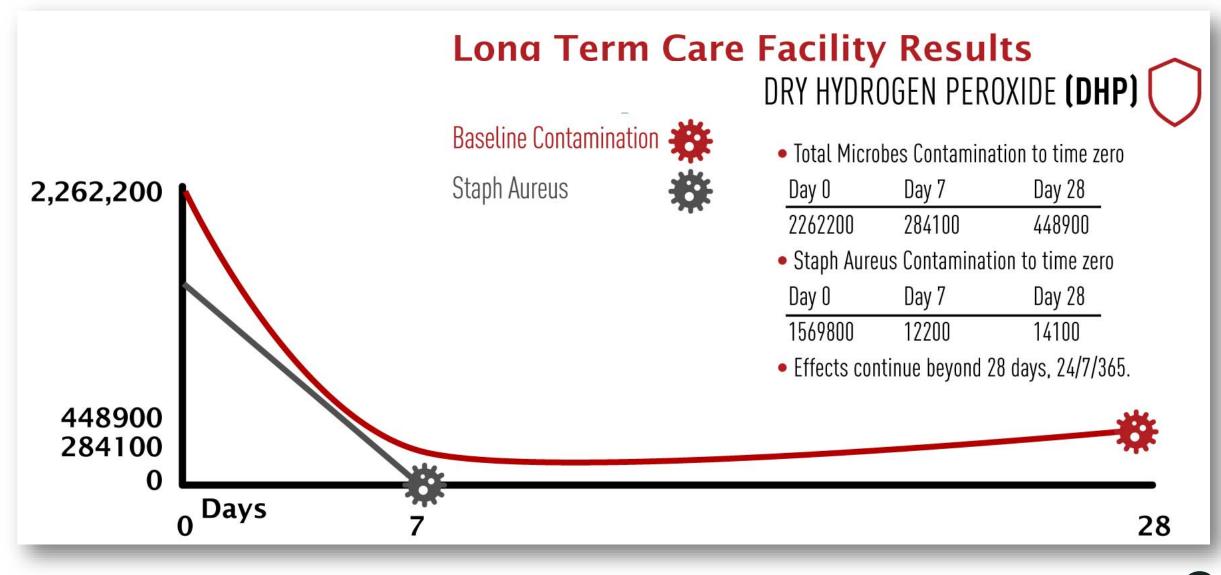




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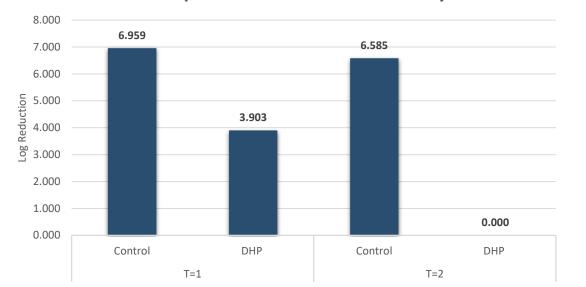
#### **Microbial Monitoring Report**





# Lab Data

### **Candida auris Exposure to Dry Hydrogen Peroxide**



DHP Exposed *C. auris* Chamber Study

The following study tested the efficacy of Dry Hydrogen Peroxide (DHP) on *Candida auris.* This specific fungal pathogen is approaching epidemic levels in New York healthcare facilities.

The chart and table below show a 3.06 log reduction after Day 1 (T=1) and a subsequent 6.58 log reduction after Day 2 (T=2).

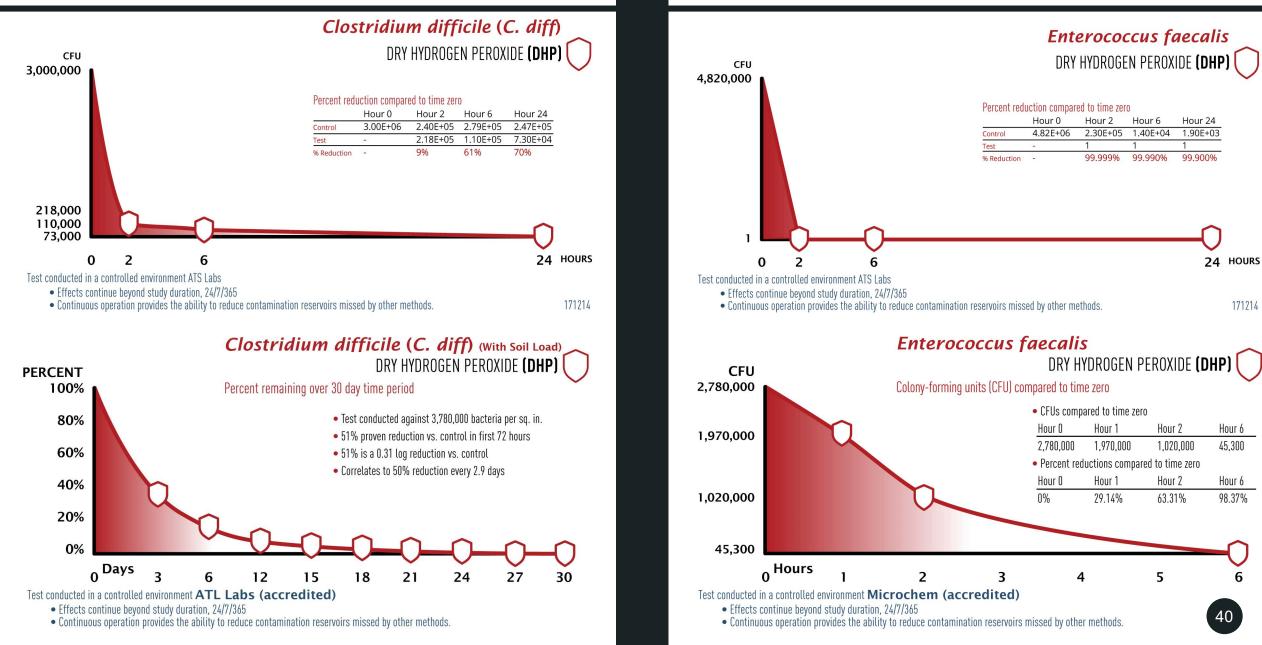
Time point		10		10		1(	) <sup>-3</sup>	10		Plate	Log	Log
(days)		A	В	Α	В	A	В	A	В	Average	Transformed	Reduction
T=0	Control							146	152	149	7.17	
T=1	Control							94	87	91	6.96	3.06
1-1	DHP	32	16	2	1					24	3.90	
T=2	Control					39	38			39	6.59	6.58
1-2	DHP									0	0.00	



A strain of *Candid a auris* cult ured in a petri dish at CDC.

### E. faecalis

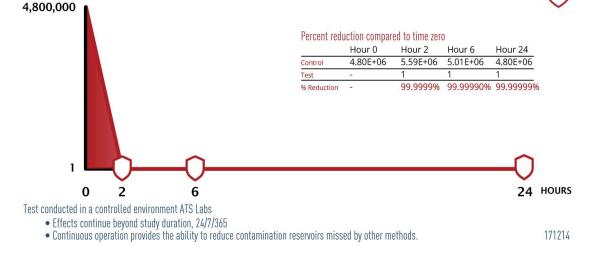
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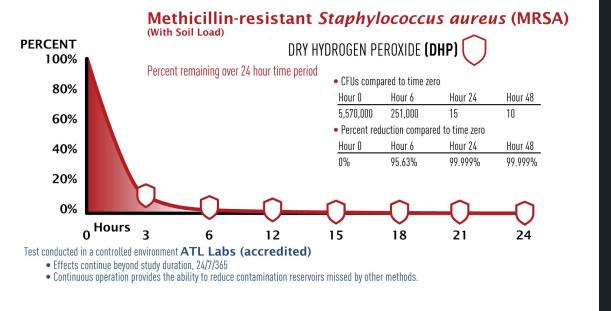
C. diff

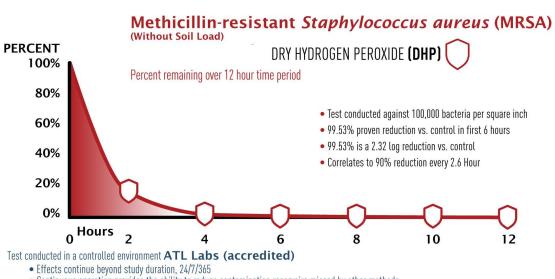
### MRSA



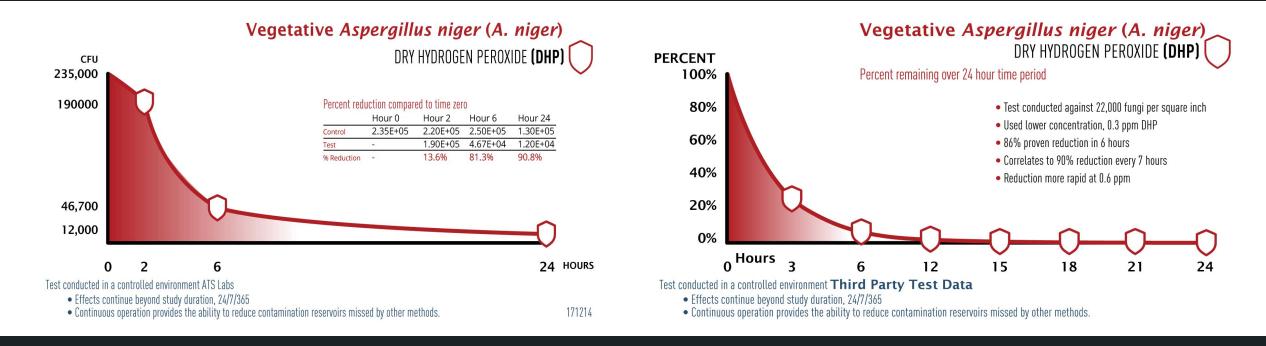


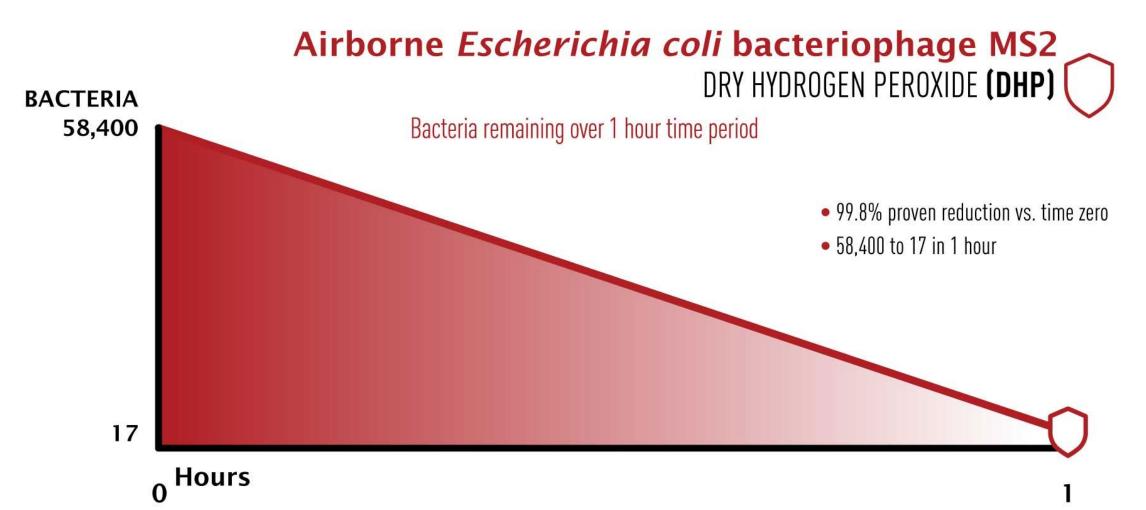
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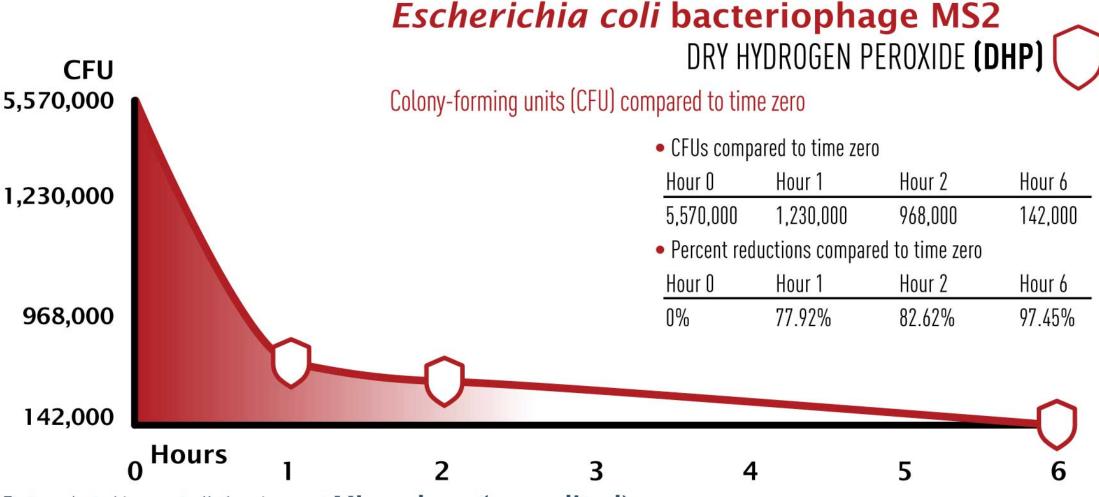


### Aspergillus niger (A. niger)

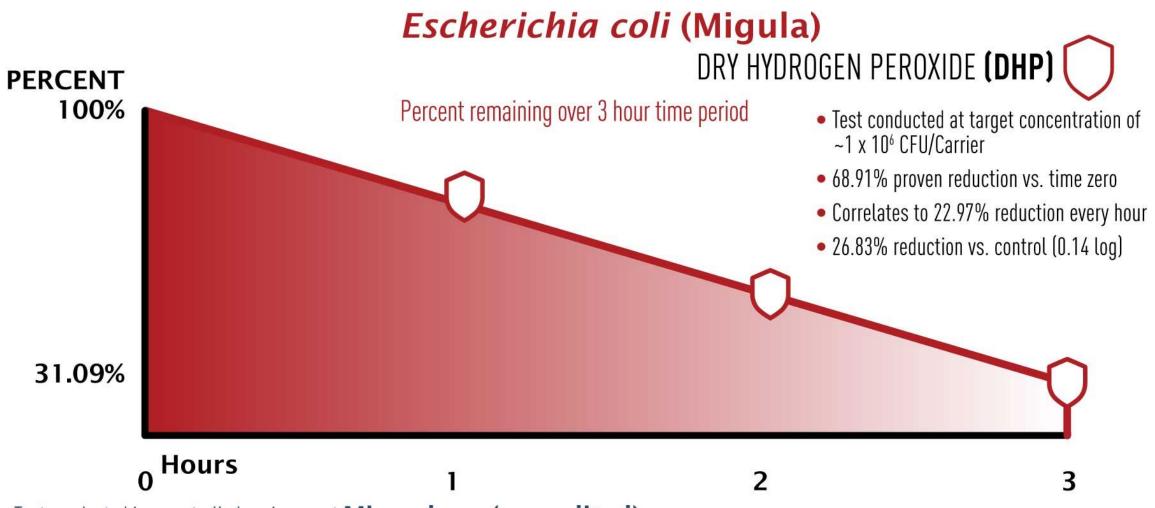




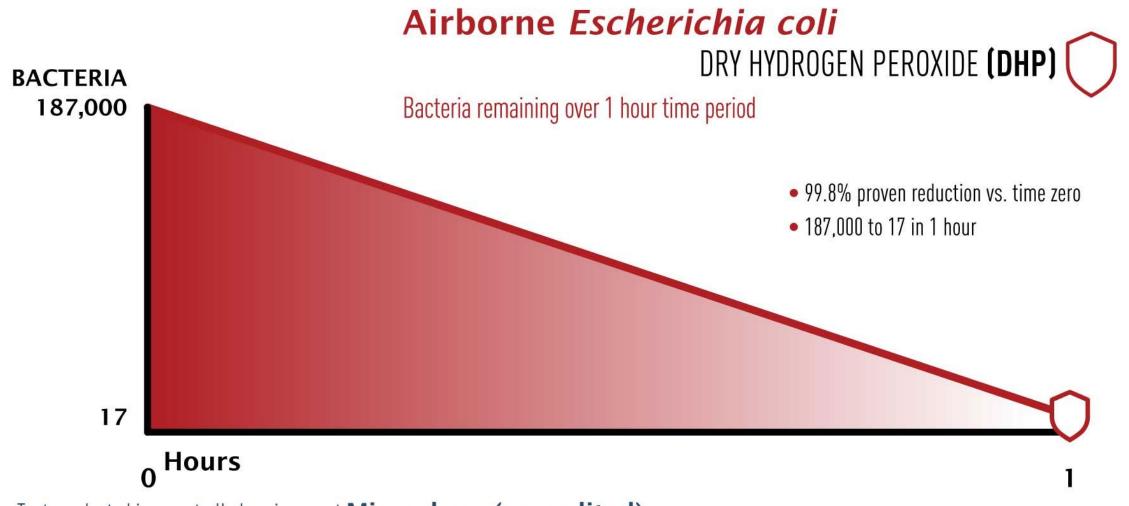
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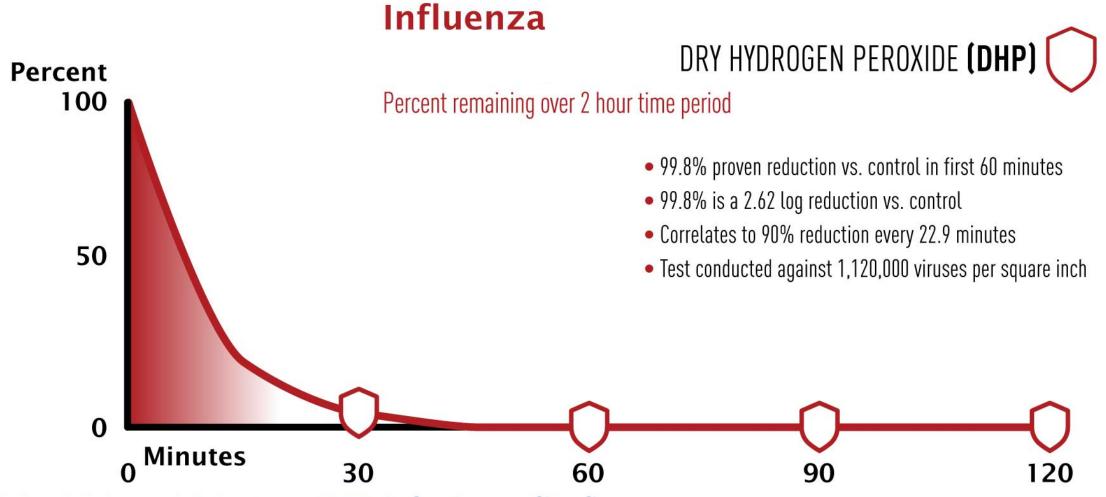
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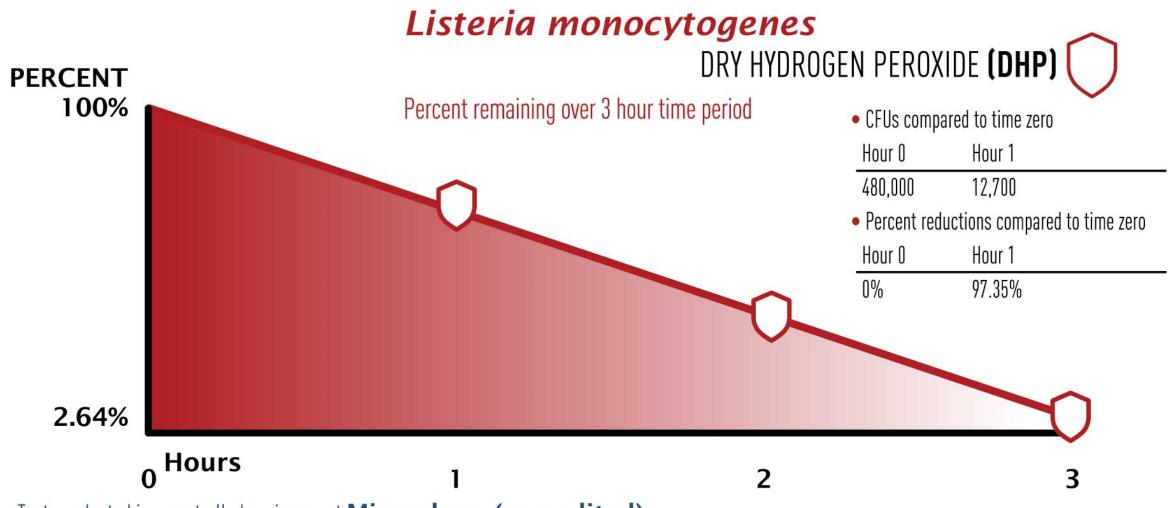


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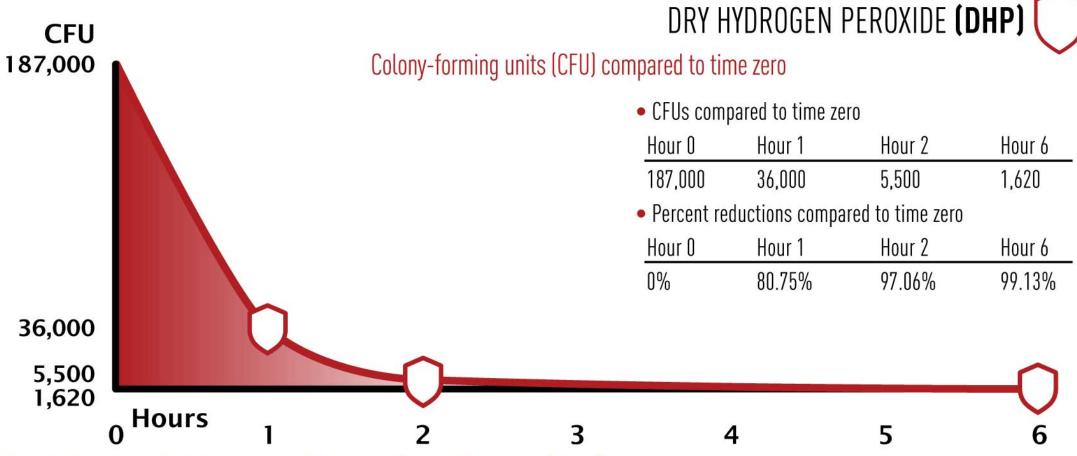
Test conducted in a controlled environment ATL Labs (accredited)

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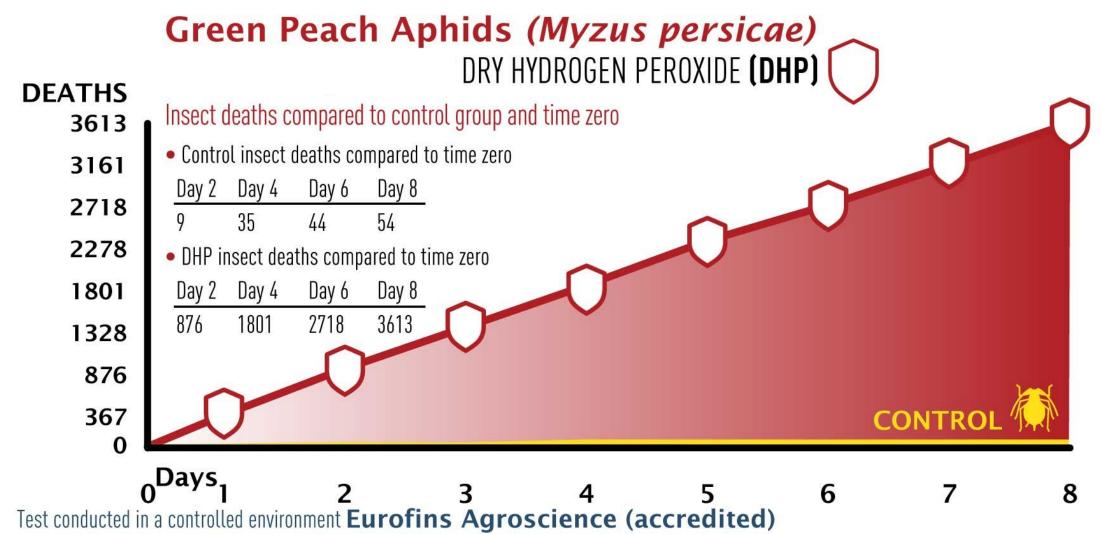
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### Salmonella Enteritidis



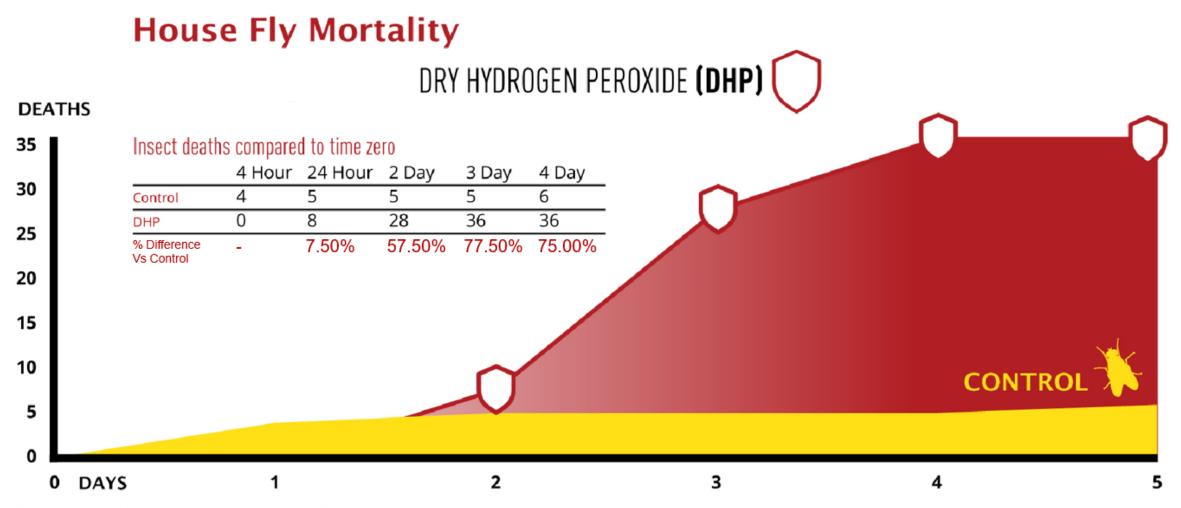
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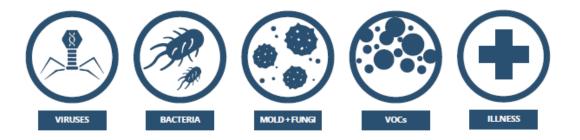
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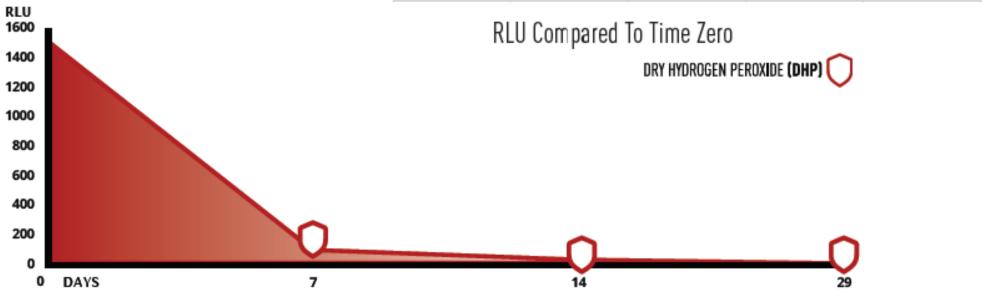
### **Client Examples**

#### Pilot Study: 1101261-170929-1

#### SECTOR: Healthcare - Children's Specialty Care Facility



Baseline RLU Total	7 Day RLU Total	Percent Reduction Total	14 Day RLU Total	Percent Reduction Total	29 Day RLU Total	Percent Reduction Total
1.53E+03	1.16E+02	92.41%	4.80E+01	96.86%	2.10E+01	98.63%



# Thank You