## Becoming Germ Free in a Germ Resistant World by: Frances M. Grinstead

#### The most effective ways to disinfect fleets



# Pandemic/Novel Influenza are you ready?



#### Why do we care? We should all care...



Because: Why we do something is as important as what we do.

A resistant staph infection from a weight room. Three months of trying to stop it.

# Cleaning v. Disinfecting – What is the difference???

#### Cleaning is for Appearance

#### Disinfecting is for Health



#### Which one are you doing?



#### You have to clean first to disinfect

## Why do you pre-clean before disinfecting?

Some films are germs in chemical residues; common cause of pathogen chemical resistance ex: cryptosporidium

It looks clean but there is a layer of germs you can't see

There is a coating on the layer that makes it hard to kill the germs underneath

#### **Traditional Cleaning**

#### Germs Re-Grow Outbreaks are NOT Stopped



Spray and Wipe Not enough dwell time to kill germs

#### Human Error & Improper Disinfection



Old Rags to disinfect 40% of spaces are missed

#### **Proper Disinfection**



#### Is transit really that full of germs?



#### Even "clean" buses are making people sick.



Germ Survival on	Dry Surfaces
Pathogen	Survival on Dry Inanimate Surfaces (range from studies)
Streptococcus A (flesh eating)	7 days to 3 months
Aspergillus Niger (Black Mold)	6 months or longer
Clostridium difficile (c.diff) - Intestinal	5 months
Escherichia coli (e.coli) - intestinal	1.5 hours to 16 months
Enterococcus spp. Including VRE and VSE	5 days to 4 months
Influenza (Flu)	12 days
Klebsiella spp.	2 hours to greater than 30 months
Tuberculosis (TB)	1 day to 4 months
Norovirus - intestinal	Indefinitely
Pseudomonas aeruginosa	6 hours to 16 months; 5 weeks on dry floors
Staphylococcus aureus (including MRSA)	7 days to 7 months
Candida Albicans	120 days or longer
HIV	More then 7 days
Kramer A. (A Review) BMC Infect Dis 2006;6:130//(2) Bonilla H F, Zervo	s M J, Kauffman C A. Infect Control Hosp Epidemiol. 1996;17: 770-7:

#### The R<sup>o</sup> values of Emerging Pathogens

How the Ebola virus compares with other contagious viruses. The reproduction rate or R<sub>0</sub>, calculates the number of people likely to be infected by one person who has a disease.

REPRODUCTION RATE (R<sub>0</sub>)

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R <sub>0</sub>	1 to 4 people	2 to 4	4 to 7	5 to 7	5 to 7	6 to 7	12 to18	12 to 17
DISEASE	Ebola	SARS	Mumps	Polio	Smallpox	Rubella	Measles	Pertussis (Whooping cough)
HOW IT SPREADS	Bodily fluids	Airborne droplets	Airborne droplets	Fecal-oral route	Airborne droplets	Airborne droplets	Airborne	Airborne droplets

Sources: Michigan Center for Public Health; WHO; Transmission Dynamics and Control of Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome, Nature; Understanding the Dynamics of Ebola Epidemics, National Institute of Health

M. Murray, M. Weber, 3/10/2014

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#### Is this just a cycle or the new normal?

#### **Trends happening globally**

Two on-campus students at UF diagnosed with MRSA Claire McNeill, Times Staff Writer -Monday, September 19, 2016 3:45pm (1) 22 V Tweet C 2

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- TB up 350% over 2015 Florida department of Health 2016 GAINESVILLE – Two on-campus students at the University of Florida have contracted MRSA, university officials confirmed Monday.
- Mumps vaccine ineffective in 67% of fully vaccinated cases Emory University study 2015
- 2016 Flu Season worst recorded since Spanish Influenza Washington Post Dec 2016
- Number of Measles cases in several states *outbreak News Today May2017*
- Norovirus season lengthening this year Wall Street Journal Jan 2017



#### Why should you care?



## Increased Costs

## Reduced Ridership

#### **CHOOSING A BETTER METHOD**

Section 2

#### **Using Disinfectants Properly**



#### **Chemicals and Misuse**

- Read the manufacturer's label. It will tell you...
  - Ingredients
  - Precautions
  - Dwell times
  - How to use them properly
  - More is not better its more; Don't make bio-films

#### The Right Tools for the Job

- Micro fiber rags These are meant to saturate a surface with disinfectant
- Paper towels and rags are meant to absorb liquids
- Folding a rag as you wipe decreases crosscontamination





#### Play game– How hard it it to kill germs?



#### What does 99.9% mean?



#### **Choosing Effective Chemicals**



### What about traditional disinfection? Why do we need something more?

- It is well known that up to 50% of surfaces are missed when wiping with the traditional spray and wipe methods, ISSA 2014
- Only 1/4 of janitorial staff follow dwell times for target pathogens, Oxford Academic IC survey 2008
- The most widely used chemicals can do more harm than good
  - Quats known allergen, pathogen chemical resistance, pathogen transmission, NIH 2016
  - Bleach- allergen, Immunosuppressant, dermal absorption, asthma causing agent, pathogen resistance – overuse, NIH (National Institute of Health, 2016)







# How can you achieve dwell with spray and wipe?

- 1. Read what the dwell time is for the germ your targeting
- If it is 2 minutes or less you will need to spray leave it for 2 minutes and then wipe
- If it is 5 minutes- Spray leave 2 min, spray again leave
  2 min, spray again leave one minute, then wipe
- 4. The same is done for longer dwell times like ten minutes spray 5 times spraying every two minutes for five times.
- 6. Always be aware of your environment. Lower humidity will need to spray more often.

#### What does your dwell time look like?

This is how it looks to get the kill claims on the back of the label

CURIS<sup>®</sup> system achieves dwell every time



### **Some Solutions:**

#### Have a Plan

- ✓ UV light only treats where light touches
- Air filters- only treat the air and 70% of germs are on surfaces
- Hand spray systems do nothing to help achieve dwell times and rely on human error
- CURIS<sup>®</sup> micron fogging decontaminates 100% of surfaces and don't forget the bed bugs

#### Dwell time is critical and fogging achieves it every time

- Disinfectants must stay wet for a recommended time: see manufacturer's recommendations
- If dwell is not reached germs can come back stronger, creating chemical resistance
- The longer the disinfectants stay in place, the better

#### Why is micron fogging better? CURIS<sup>®</sup>

- Fills a space with H2O2 and silver to reach 100% of surfaces and kill germs where wiping misses
- Silver is left behind as a bio-stat to stop regrowth





#### Why is CURIS<sup>®</sup> System better?

- The same technology used in hospitals
- Real world and Laboratory verified studies to kill Bacteria, Viruses, Spores, and Mold on 100% of surfaces treated (bed bugs too)
- Reaches where wiping misses
- Safe- eco friendly / Sustainable (uses less chemical then wiping)
- Always reaches dwell time
- Makes it safe for passengers, staff and your reputation

## How H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Kills Germs



#### When do I use the CURIS system?

- Proactively to advertise your MEDICALLY DISINFECTED FLEET
- Reactively to treat a germ, odor or bed bug sterilizing
   Sterilizing
- Routinely to keep your fleet in a healthy condition for staff and passangers – space

Monthly/Quarterly Cleaning

This is for appearance: Dirt, grime and debris removal

#### What else can CURIS<sup>®</sup> do?

- ♦ Remote controlled
- ♦Germ tracker
- ♦ Routine setter
- ♦ Structures your Plan of attack





### Fog Cycle

 When running the fogger remotely and out of line of sight, check your App for fog cycle progress by touching the CURIS icon. The time line will inform you as to the status and time remaining for completion.



#### **Technology meets disinfection**

#### Easy to understand charts

Rooms	Treated		
TIME INTERVAL	ROOMS		
0-45 Days	89		
46-89 Days	35		
90-120 Days	42		
121 + Days	18		



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### **The Solution:**

#### Have a Plan

- ✓ CURIS<sup>®</sup> devices to treat 100% of surfaces
- ✓ CURIS<sup>®</sup> to treat areas proactively
- CURIS<sup>®</sup> to treat before cleaning to safely clean an area
- ✓ CURIS<sup>®</sup> after cleaning to decontaminate
- Pathogend<sup>®</sup> to handle your outbreaks

