



# Smart Antimicrobial Technologies for a Healthy Environment

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# Motivation

Since 1940, more than 300 new infectious diseases have emerged, and **respiratory illnesses** cause the heaviest toll on humans and the economy.

Worldwide prevalence of antimicrobial-resistant (AMR) organisms that are resistant to existing treatments.



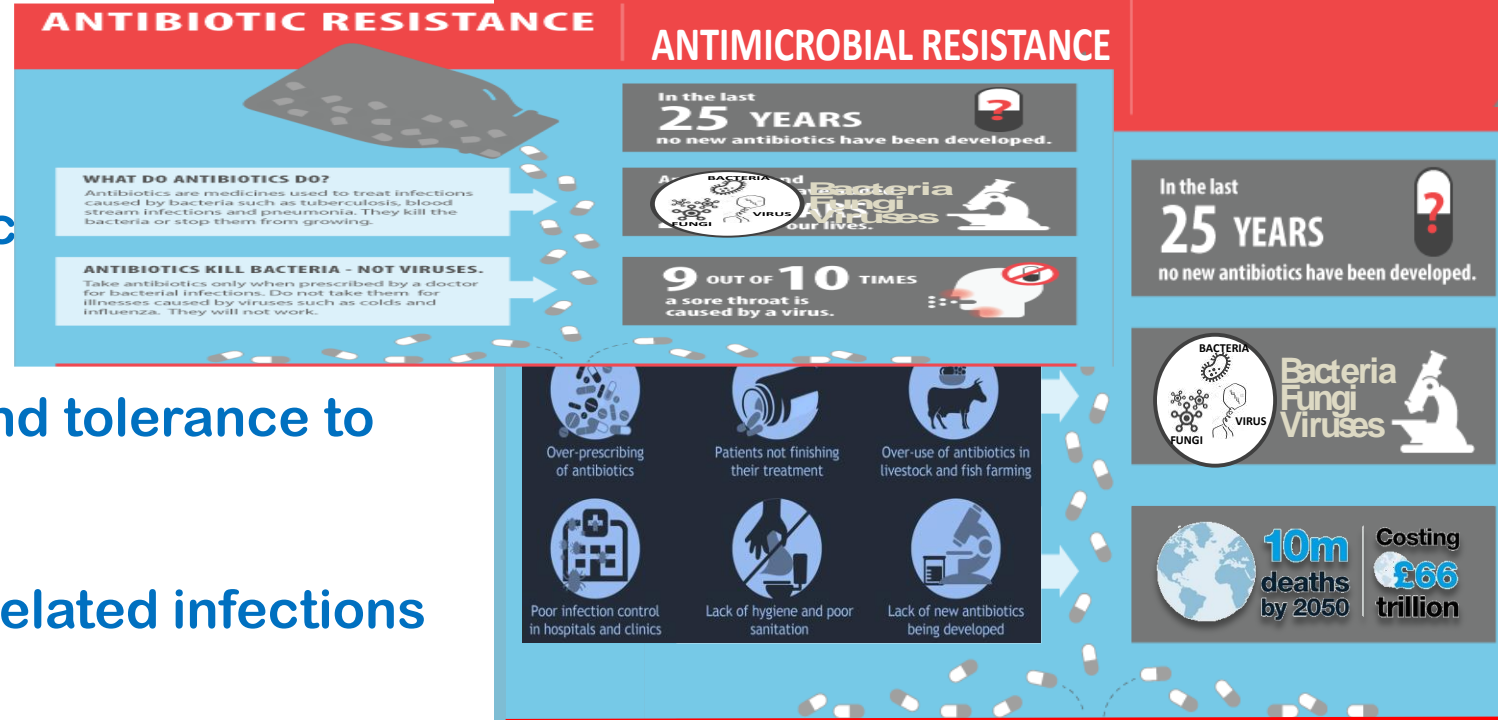


# Situation

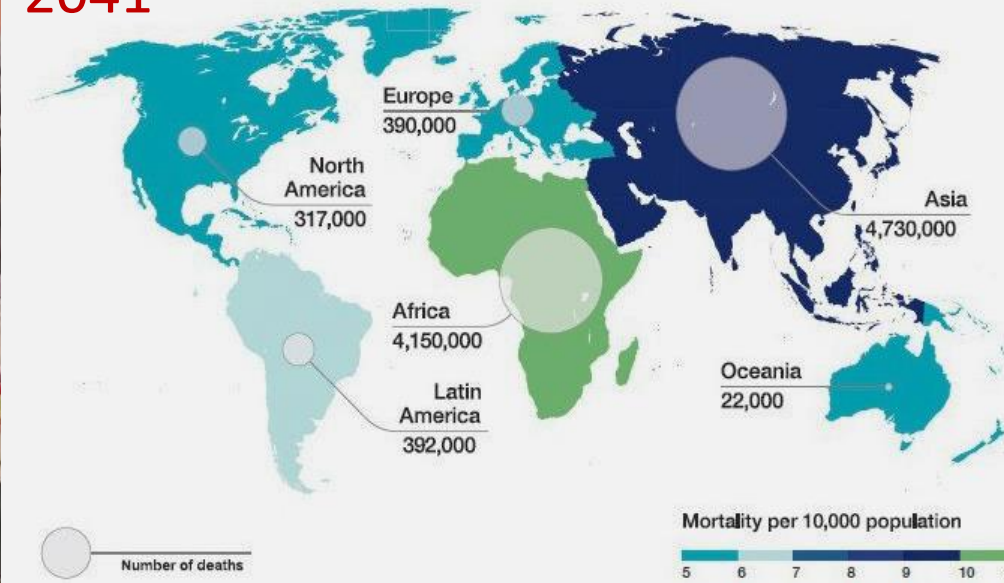
Large-scale infection events occur at regular intervals

Growing microbial resistance and tolerance to existing treatments

Worldwide prevalence of AMR-related infections



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# Respiratory Pathogens

## Viruses

Enveloped viruses

influenza viruses

coronaviruses

Non-enveloped viruses

rhinoviruses

enteroviruses

adenovirus

bocavirus

## Bacteria/Spores

**Infectious dose of around 2-3 viral particles of human influenza virus**

*Alford RH et al. 1966. Human influenza resulting from aerosol inhalation. Proc. Soc. Exp. Biol. Med.*

**Stability of SARS-CoV-2 on surfaces**

Glass: 2 days

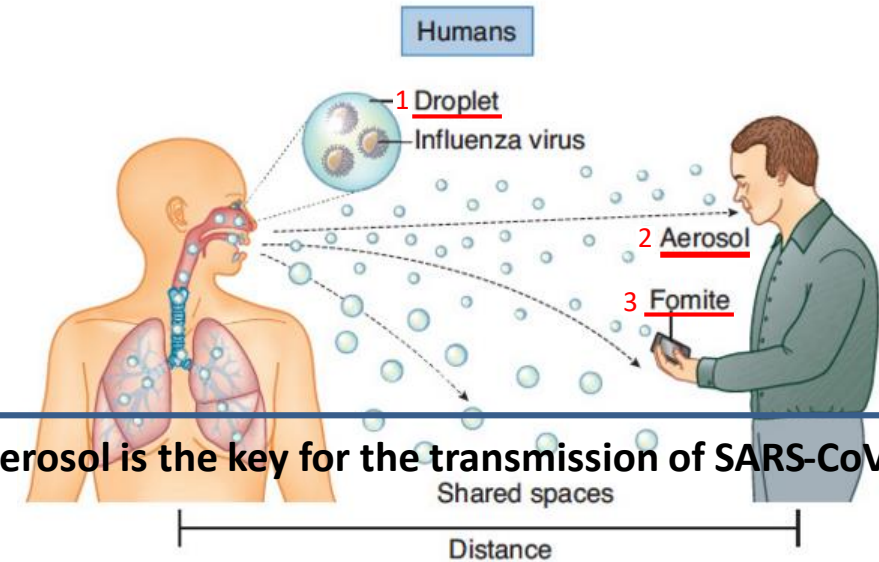
Stainless steel: 4 days

Plastic: 4 days

Mask: 7 days !!

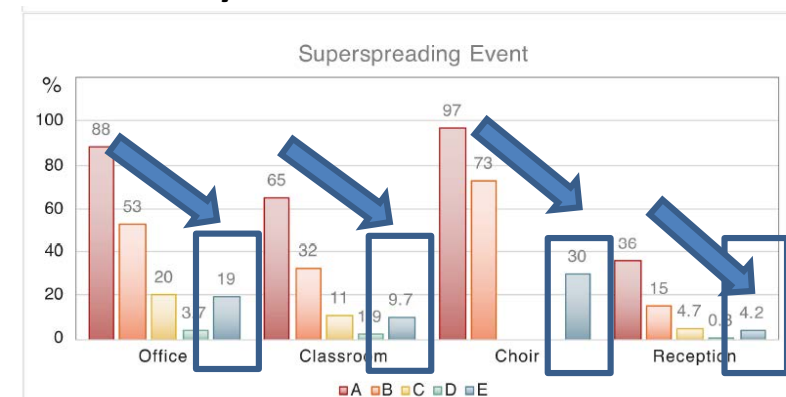
*Chin et al, 2020, Lancet Microbe*

The routes of human-to-human transmission



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*Lelieveld et al. 2020, Int J Environ Res Public Health*

Figure 1: Individual risk of a particular person being infected (equivalent to the percentage of the group being infected) in four indoor environments and five scenarios, for standard and superspreading conditions. Scenario A: passive ventilation, no masks. Scenario B: active ventilation with outside air





2003  
Catalytic air sanitizer Gen 1  
> 90 % kill airborne microorganisms

2004  
Smart antimicrobial coating Gen 1  
kills 90 % bacteria in 30 min

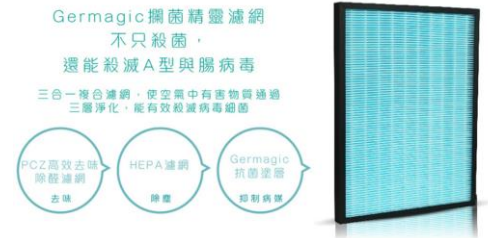


2008  
Smart antimicrobial coating Gen 7  
> 99 % bacteria in 1 min  
> 99 % flu virus in 1 min



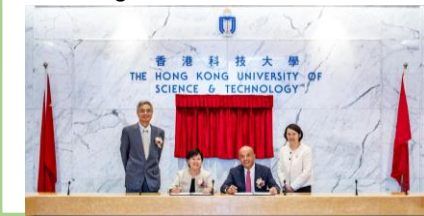
field tests in hospital, holistic care facilities, and elderly homes

2015  
Smart antimicrobial coating Gen X  
> 99.9 % bacteria in 1 min  
> 99.9 % flu virus, cold virus, EV71 virus in 1 min  
> 98 % MERS-coV  
MER-coV  
> 99 % spores in 10 min



2018

Establishment of the HKUST-CIL Joint Laboratory on Environmental Health Technologies.



2020

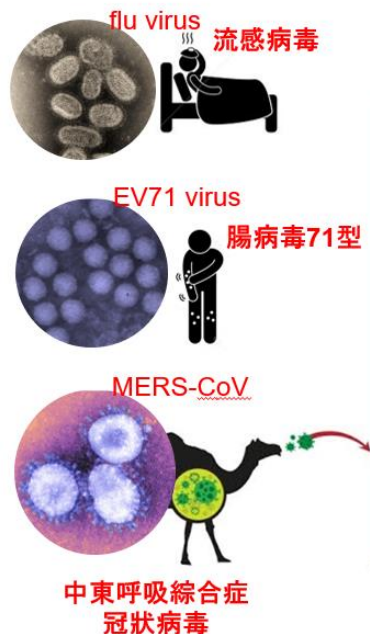
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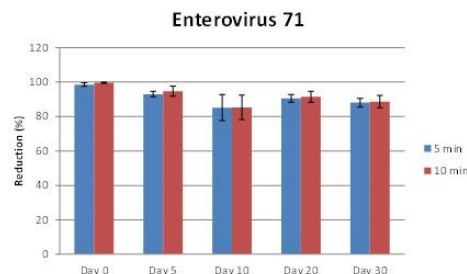
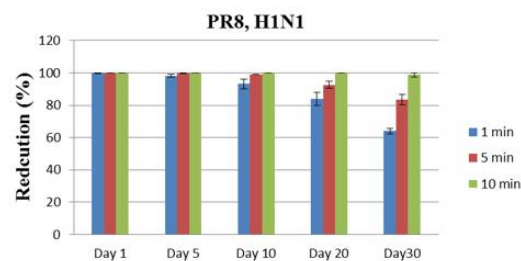
**MAP-1**  
Schools, LTCFs, Clinics, Public Places, Buses, Taxis, Cars, etc.



# Droplets and Aerosols



- MERS-CoV (EMC strain) 98.8 %
- Influenza A Viruses (A/Puerto Rico/8/1934,H1N1) >99.999%
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- H1N1 Swine Flu or Novel Influenza A (A/ Guangdong/ GIRD02/2009,H1N1) >99.9%



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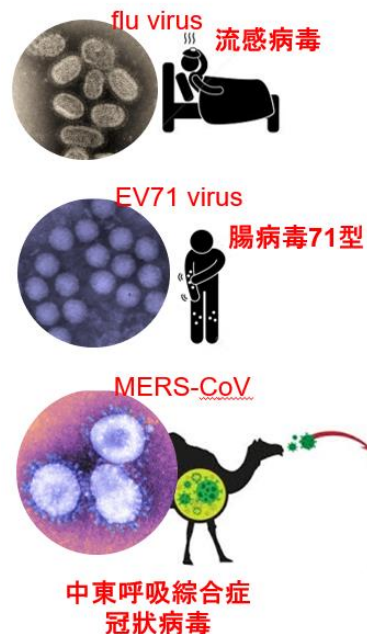


火神山医院效果图

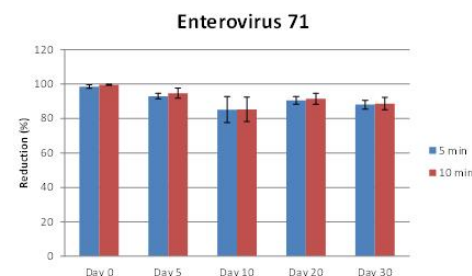
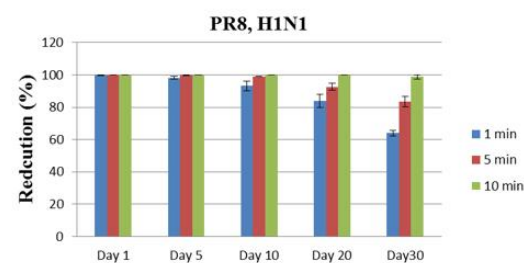
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# HKUST Antimicrobial Filter (PECD)



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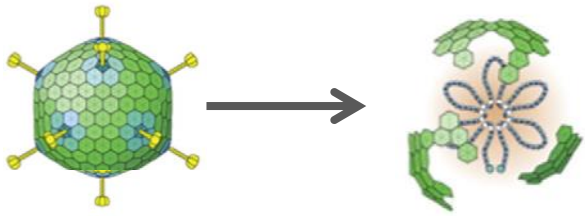
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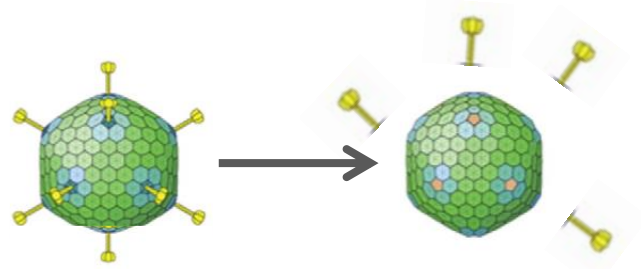


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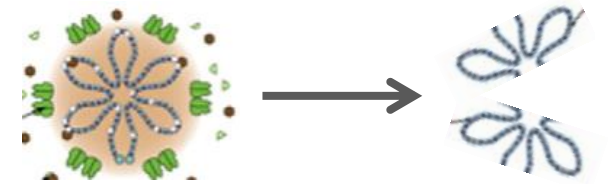
## Contact-Killing, Release-Killing, and Anti-adhesion



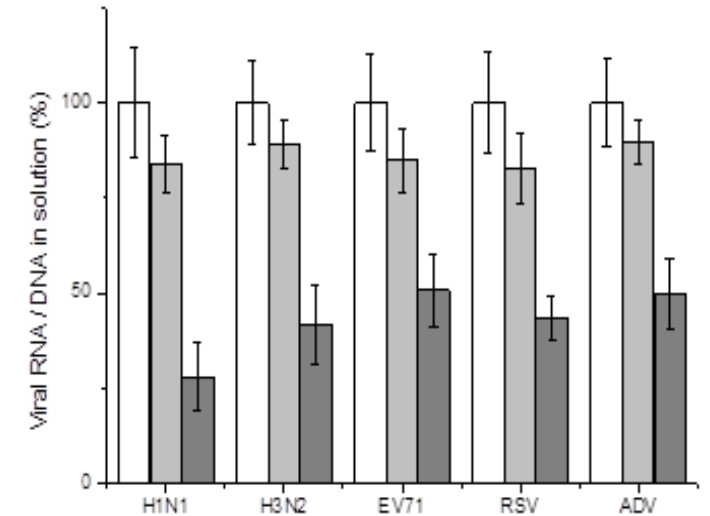
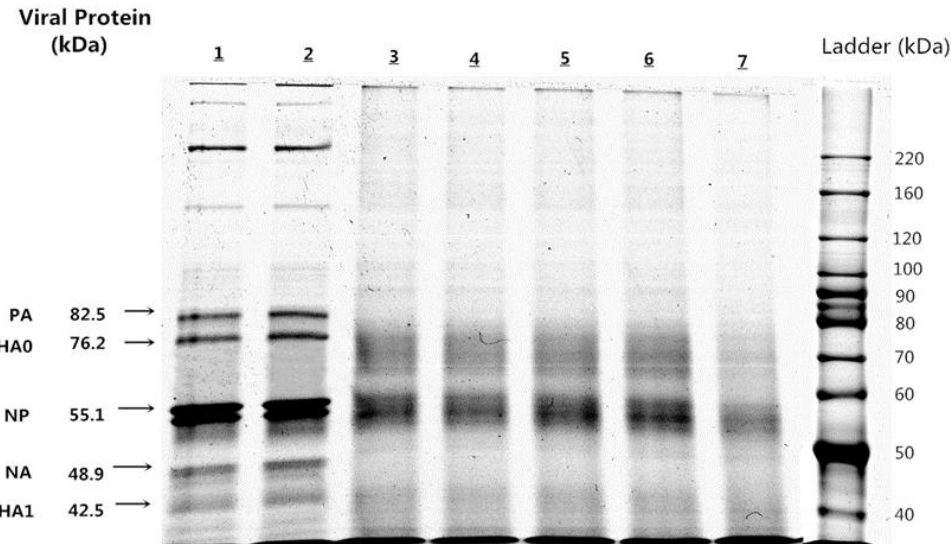
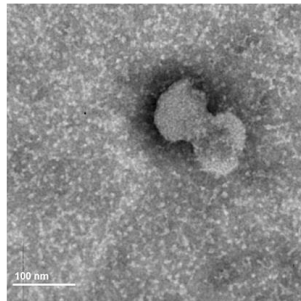
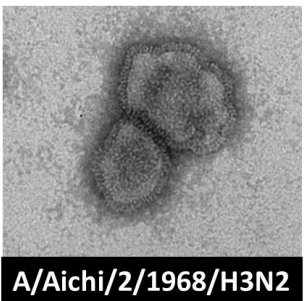
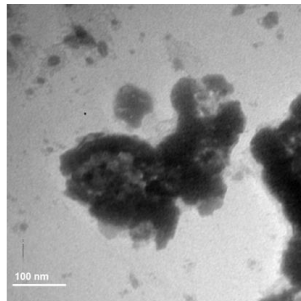
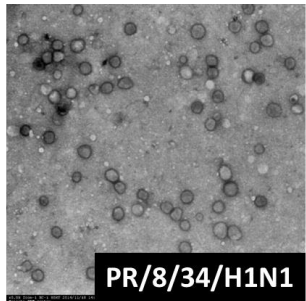
Physically Damage the Viral Capsid



Disassemble the Viral Spikes

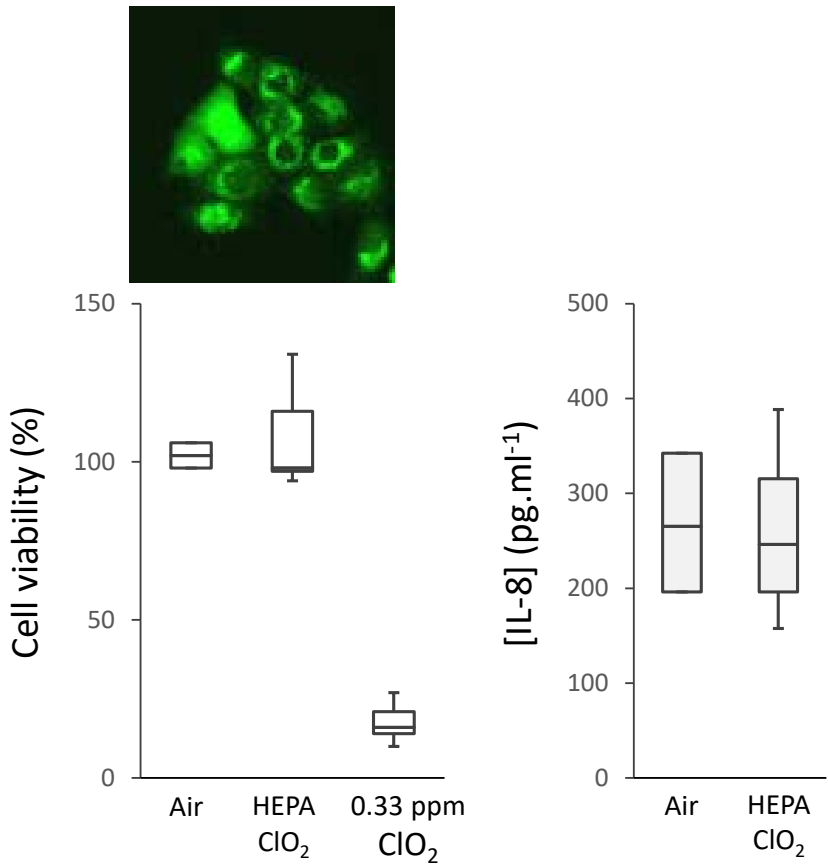


Breaks the DNA/RNA



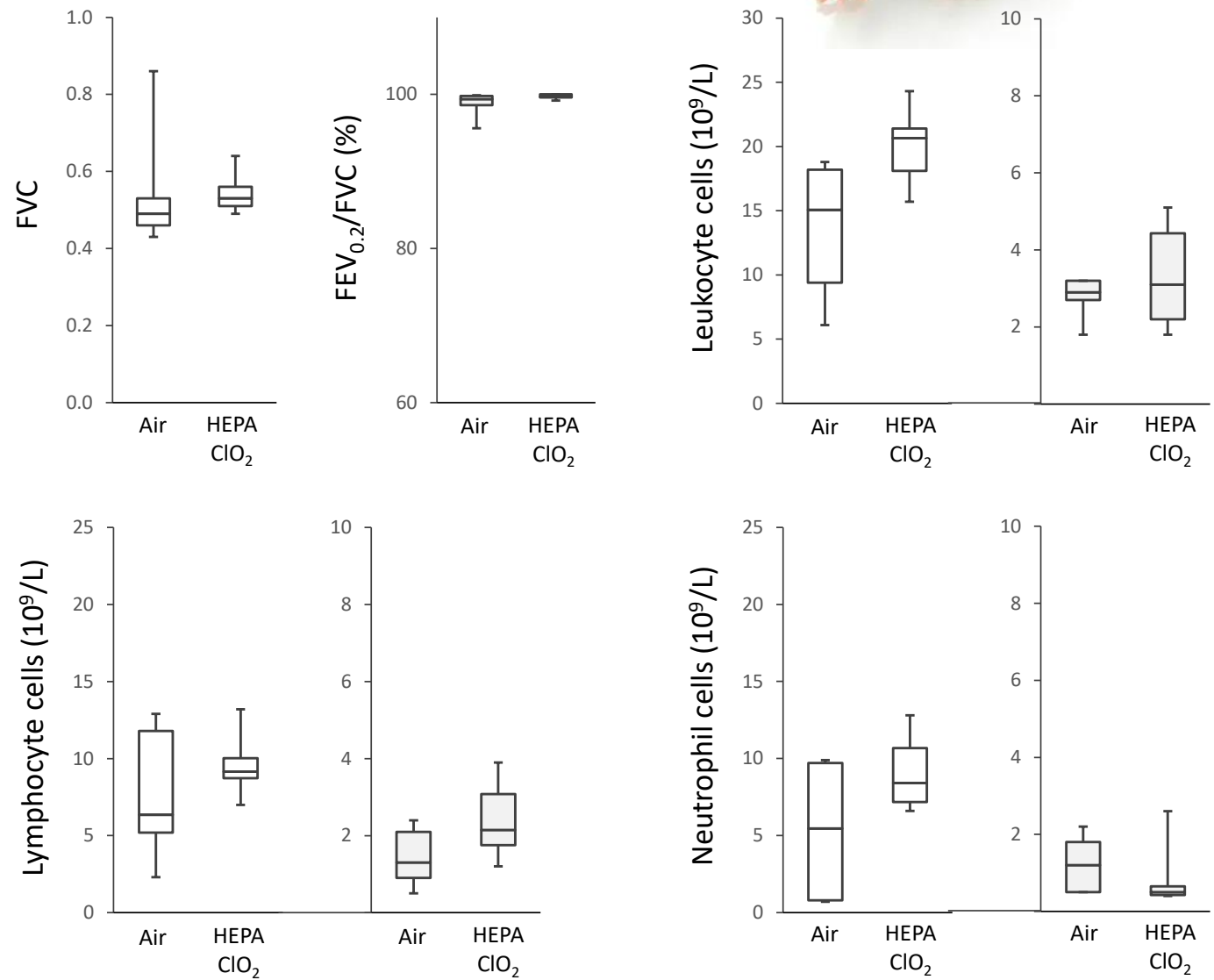
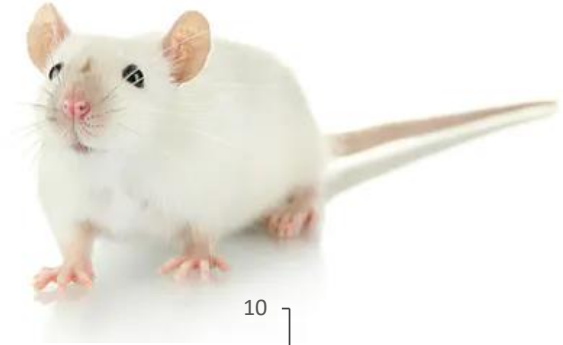


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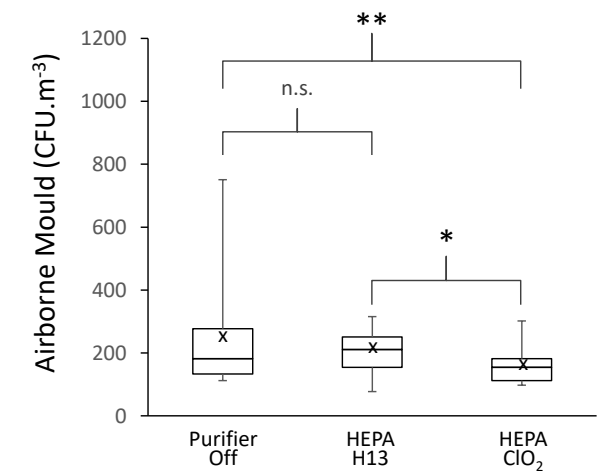
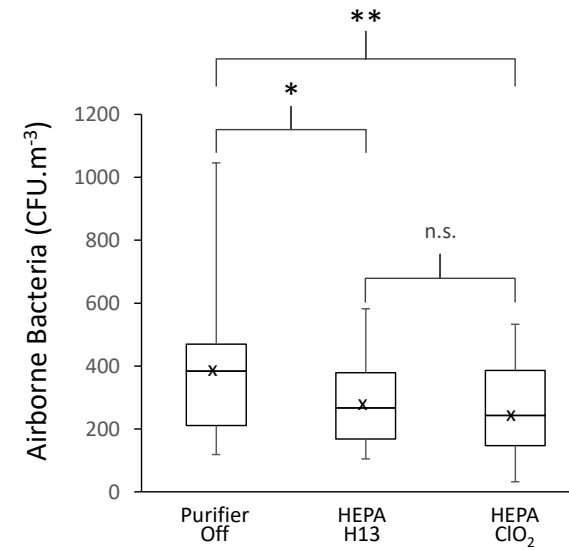
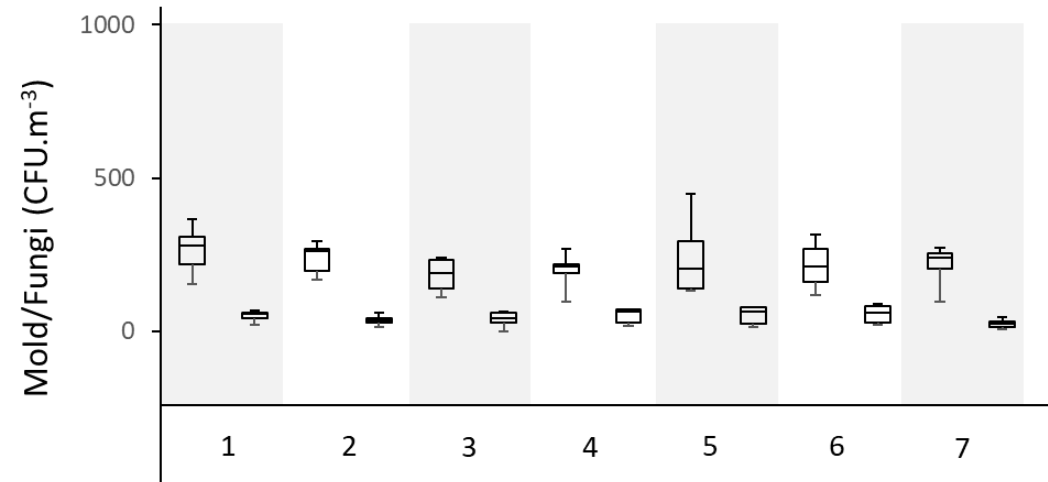
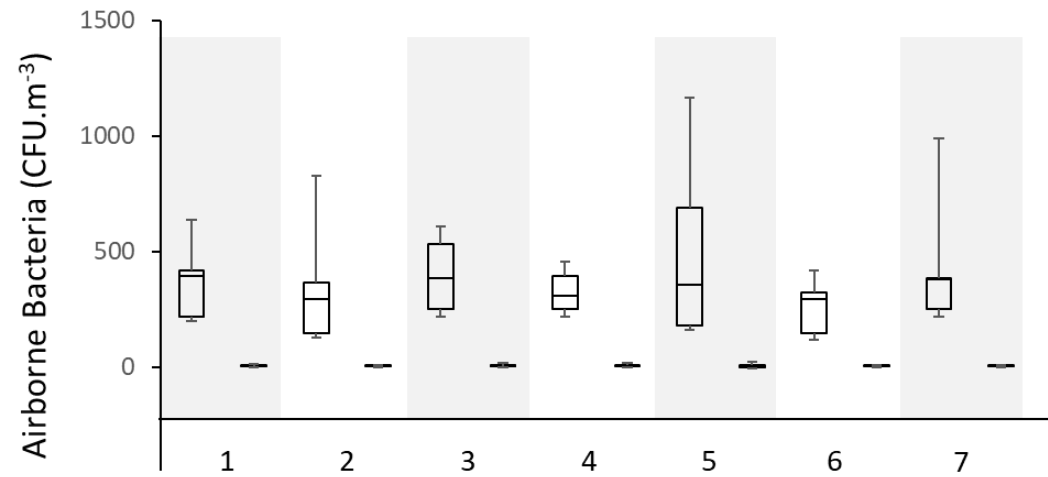


## Human Lung Cells

## Animal Model



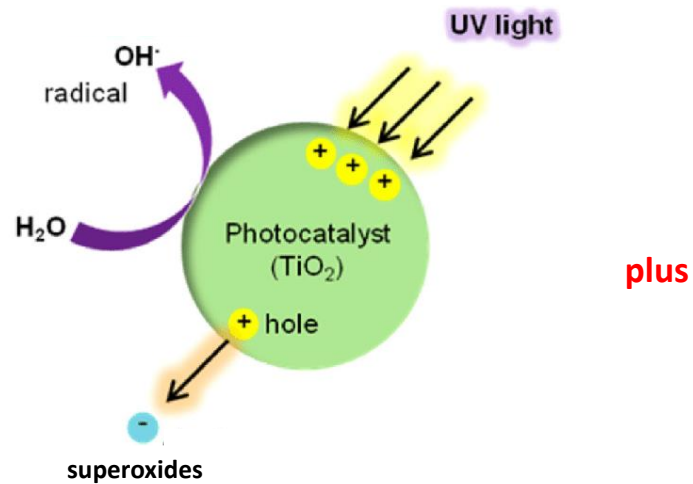
# Performance under practical use?





# Fomites

## PCO and Chelated Compounds



Generates reactive oxygen species

Effective against simple organic molecules

but, produces secondary pollutants

slow to inactivate microbes (> 2 h)

Ag<sup>+</sup>, Ag<sup>0</sup> NP  
Cu<sup>2+</sup>, Cu<sup>0</sup> or CuO NP  
Pt<sup>4+</sup>, Pt<sup>0</sup> NP

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### Platinum Neurotoxicity Pharmacogenetics

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REVIEW

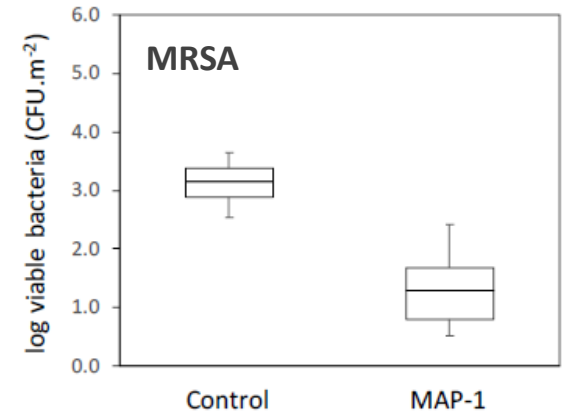
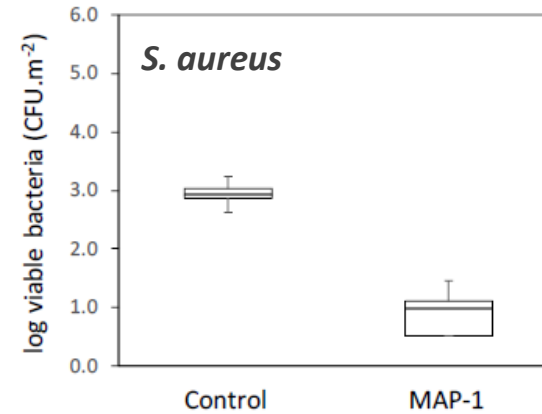
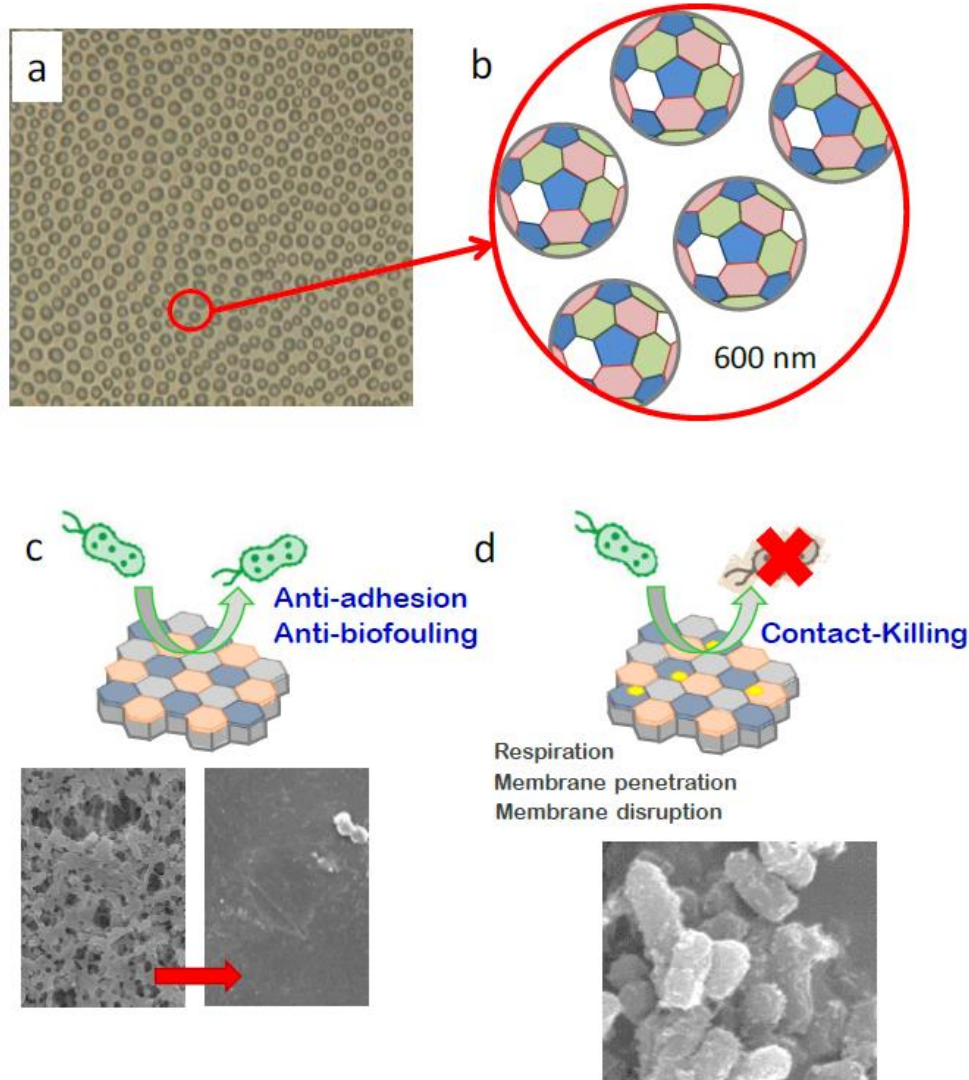
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## Role of Copper in the Onset of Alzheimer's Disease Compared to Other Metals

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# Multilevel Antimicrobial Polymers (MAP-1)



10<sup>5</sup> CFU 60 s contact on MAP-1 coated glasses

Table 1. Bactericidal and sporicidal activities of MAP-1

Bacteria <sup>1</sup>				Spores <sup>2</sup>	
Drug-sensitive		Drug-resistant			
<i>S. aureus</i>	99.1%	MRSA	98.7%	<i>P. chrysogenum</i>	99.1%
<i>E. faecalis</i>	98.8%	VRE	98.4%	<i>C. albicans</i>	99.4%
<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	96.3%	MRPA	96.2%	<i>A. niger</i>	16.0%
<i>A. baumannii</i>	98.5%	MDRA	97.0%		
<i>E. coli</i>	99.6%				

The data are comparisons between uncoated (control) and MAP-1 coated glass slides challenged with 10<sup>5</sup> CFU bacteria for 60 s and with 10<sup>5</sup> viable spore particles for 10 min before neutralization, recovery, culture and enumeration following standard procedure.



# Multilevel Antimicrobial Polymers (MAP-1)

## Killing Difficult to Kill microbes



Measles virus	99.990 %	10 min
Mump virus	99.940 %	10 min
Rubella virus	99.900 %	10 min
Feline calicivirus	99.995 %	10 min
Penicillin spores	99.90 %	10 min
Aspergillus spores	99.80 %	10 min



MS2 Phages	99.78 %	10 min
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Human Coronavirus	99.90 %	10 min
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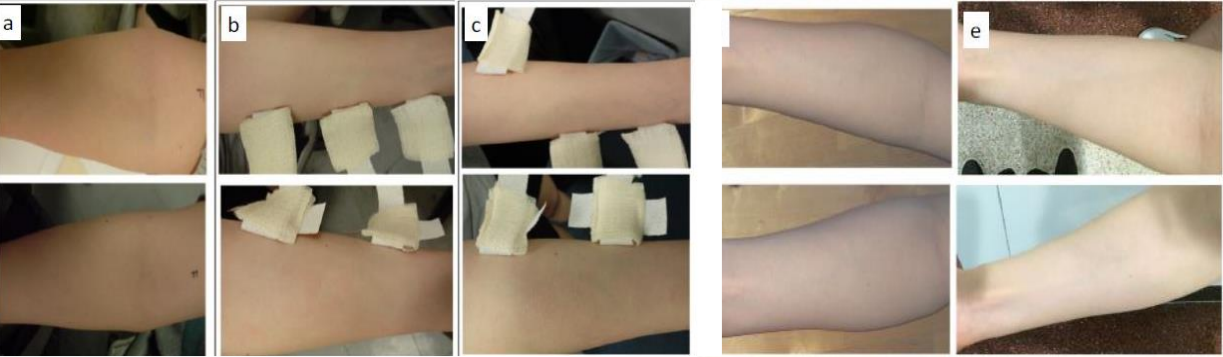
SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19 virus)	>99.90 %	10 min
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# MAP-1 Safety

## Cell Lines Animal and Human

Cell line	Percent Viable Cell (%)		
	1:49 bleach	1:99 bleach	MAP-1
Lung <sup>1</sup>	< 10	50	> 95
Kidney <sup>2</sup>	70	80	> 95
Skin <sup>3</sup>	< 10	80	> 95

<sup>1</sup>A549 human adenocarcinomic alveolar basal epithelial cells; <sup>2</sup>Madin-Darby canine kidney epithelial cells; <sup>3</sup>A431 human epidermoid carcinoma epithelial cells.



Skin test showing the condition of the volunteer's arms (a) before, (b) after 30 min contact with pads saturated with MAP-1 (upper image) and sterile water (lower image), (c) after 60 min contact with pads saturated with MAP-1 (upper image) and sterile water (lower image), (d) 24 h after exposure to MAP-1 (upper image) and sterile water (lower image), and (e) 48 h after exposure to MAP-1 (upper image) and sterile water (lower image).

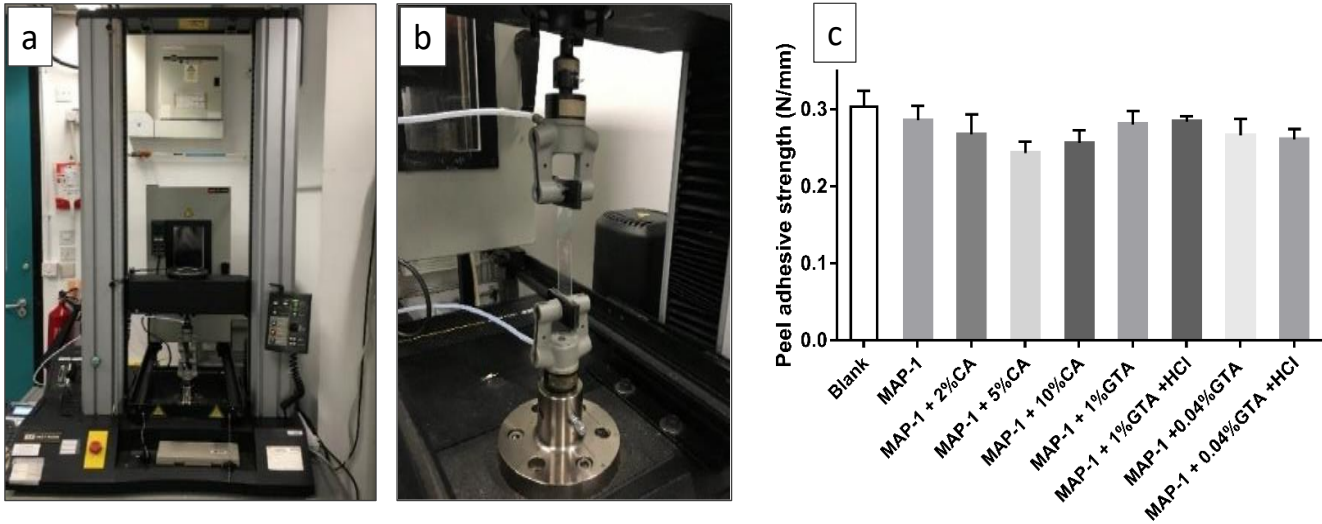


受试物对家兔多次完整皮肤刺激试验结果

涂抹天数	动物数 (只)	刺激反应积分					
		样品			对照		
		红斑	水肿	总分	红斑	水肿	总分
1	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
2	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
3	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
4	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
5	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
6	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
7	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
8	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
9	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
10	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
11	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
12	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
13	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
14	3	0	0	0	0	0	0
14 天总积分		0					
14 天每只动物积分均值		0					
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# MAP-1 Durable



Pictures of (a) the Instron tensile tester and (b) the tensile module for tape pulling, and (c) plots of the peel adhesive strength for the MAP-1 coatings on glass.

A consistent peel adhesive strength of 0.3 N/mm compared to typical paints are rated at 9 N/25 mm or 0.36 N/mm.

Wiping	Bactericidal (%)		
	64x	128x	500x
Dry cloth	99.98	99.72	99.97
Wet cloth with			
Water	99.88	99.56	99.53
Bleach (1:99)	99.97	99.80	99.77
Dettol (1:40)	99.75	99.63	99.58
Detergent (2%)	n.d.	n.d.	99.77
Alcohol (30%)	n.d.	99.80	99.49
CGW <sup>1</sup> (1:50)	98.71	99.63	98.66

<sup>1</sup>Campbell Green Water  
n.d. not done

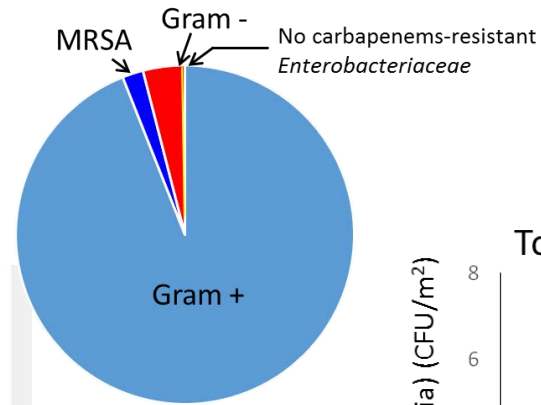


# Field Study at Hospital

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Dr. Christopher Lai (Clinical Microbiologists, former Infection Control Officer  
Kowloon Hospital)

## Surface Cleansing/Coating

Hard and soft surfaces  
Long-lasting > 30 days  
Effective against AMRs



7 months  
1824 samples  
912 control, 912 treatment

## Clinical Trial

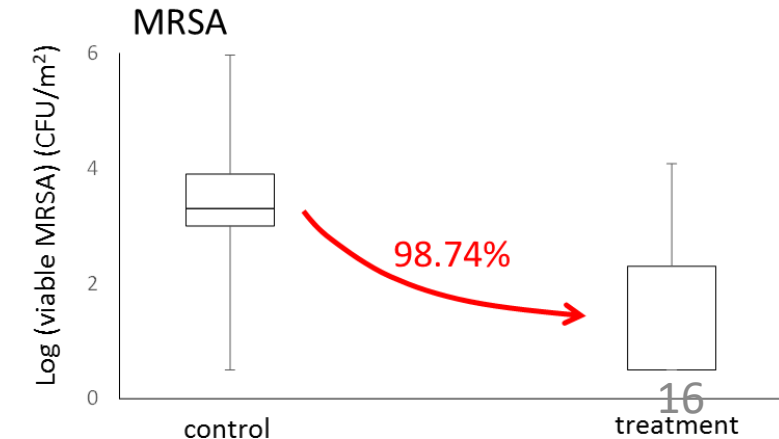
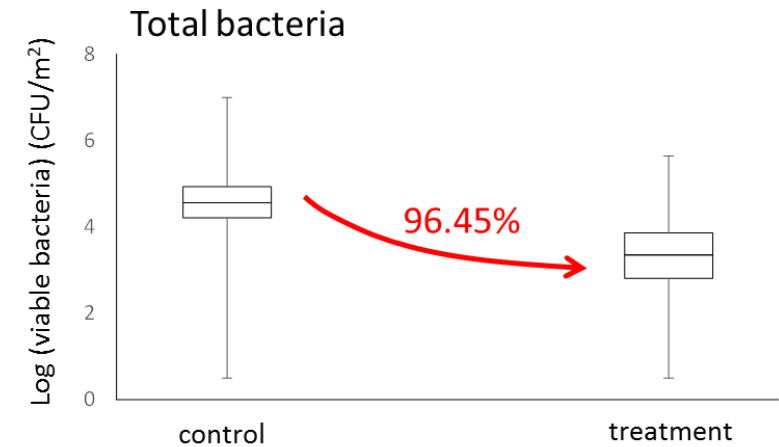
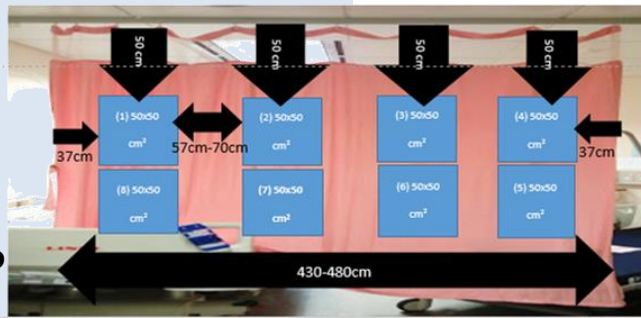
Location: KH Rehabilitation Ward  
Male and female cubicles (3b)

Sampling:

Once a week for 3 weeks

9:00 am to 12:00 nn

8 samples per curtain each (50 x 50 cm<sup>2</sup>)





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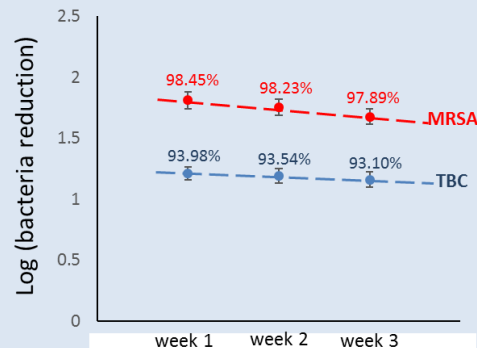
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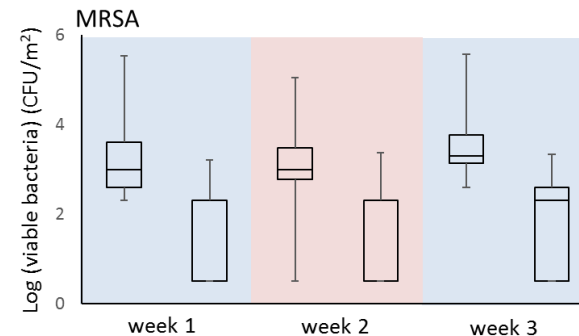
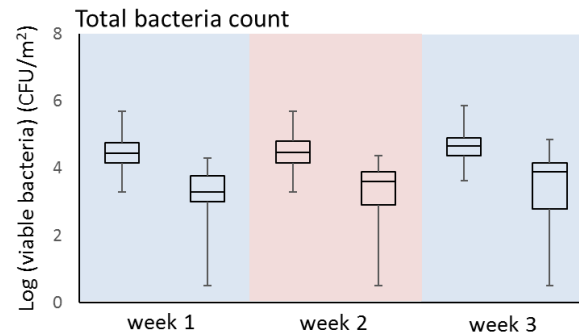
Effective against AMRs

## Duration



Data extrapolation indicates that the coating can maintain above 70 % reduction:

TBC **27 weeks**  
MRSA **20 weeks**



# Field Study at Long-term Care

Dr. Ching-Choi Lam (HOHCS)

## Antimicrobial Fabric Softener

Easy to use

Tolerate high temperature  
drying/ironing

Long lasting > 7 days

Effective against AMRs



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## Clinical Trial

Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of  
Haven of Hope Woo Ping Care & Attention Home

**6 months**

Sample size: 258 (calculated in results of pilot study)

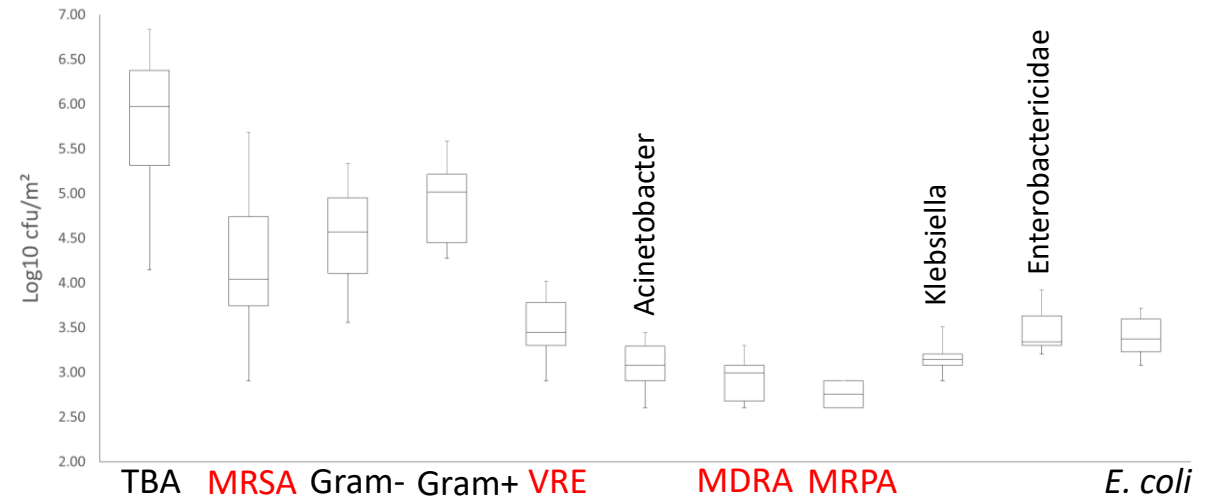
Sample collected: 272 from 94 bedsheets

### Sampling:

Once a week for 4 weeks

9:00 am to 12:00 nn

3 samples per bedsheet each (50 x 50 cm<sup>2</sup>)





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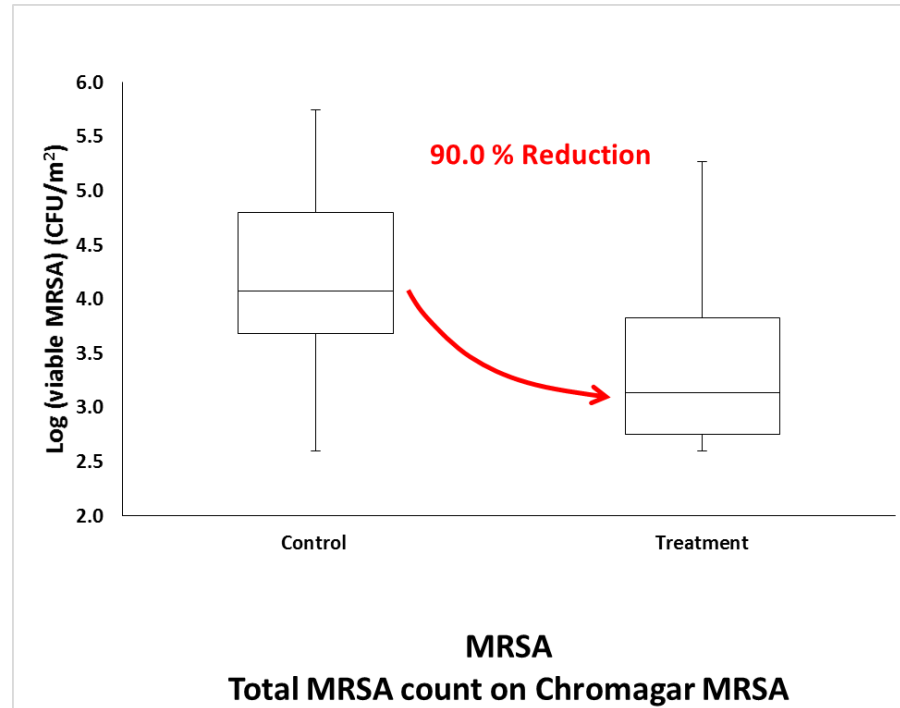
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Mr. Brad KH Cheng (ME/EM, WSD)

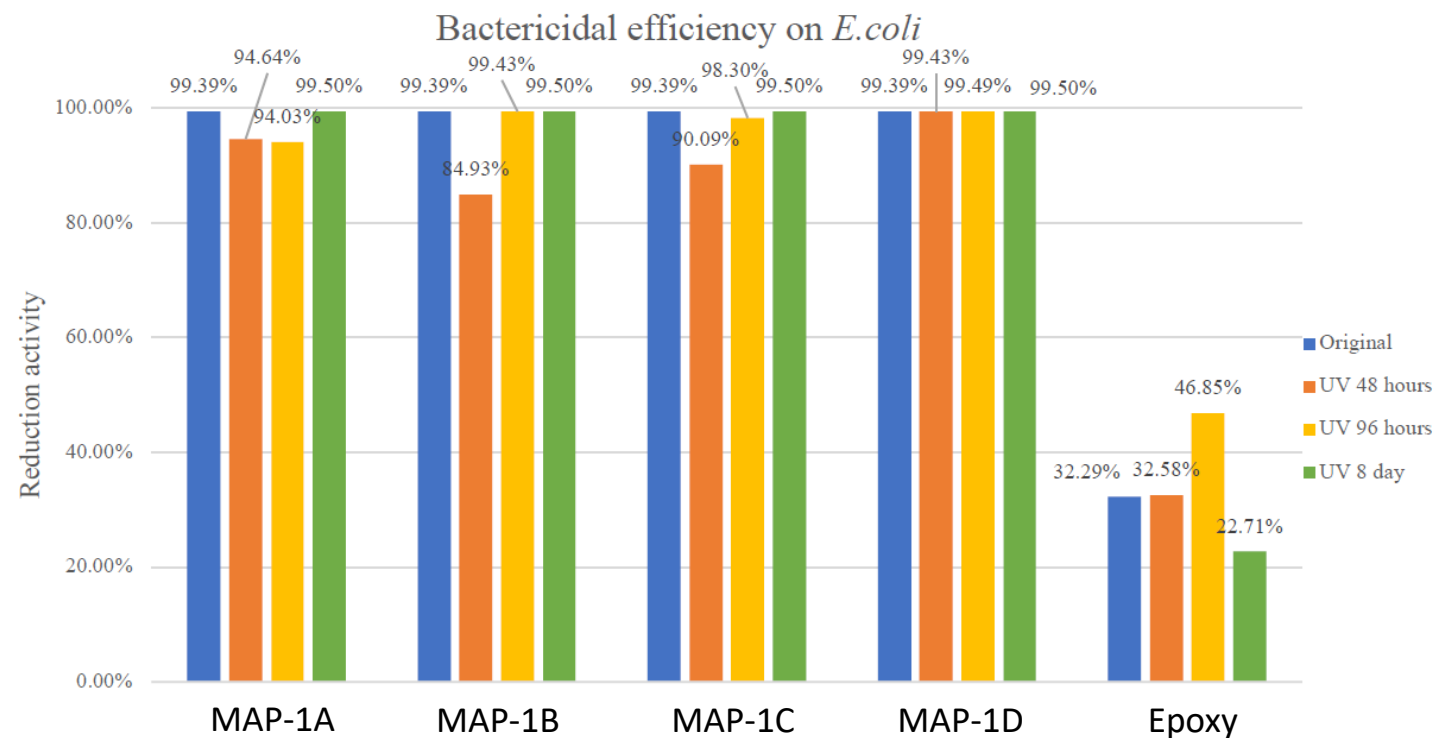
## Epoxy Coating

Anti-biofouling

Anti-biofilm

Prevent water contamination

Lower pumping cost



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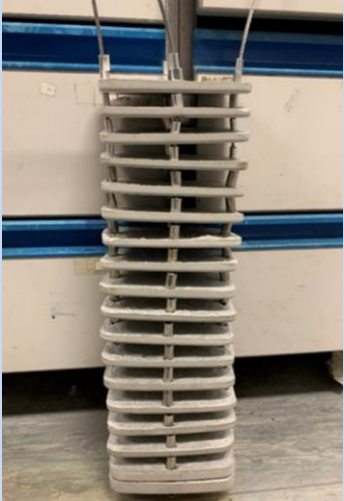
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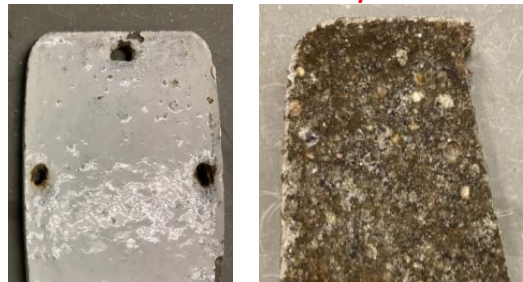
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## Concrete Coating

Anti-biofouling  
Anti-biofilm  
Prevent biofilm growth  
Prevent corrosion



After 270 days

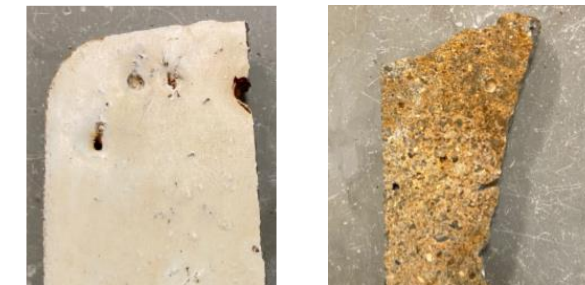


with coating

without coating



After 90 days

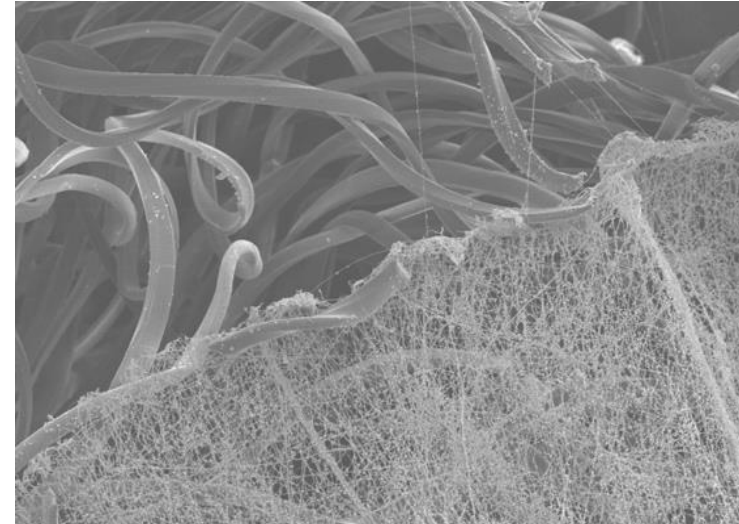
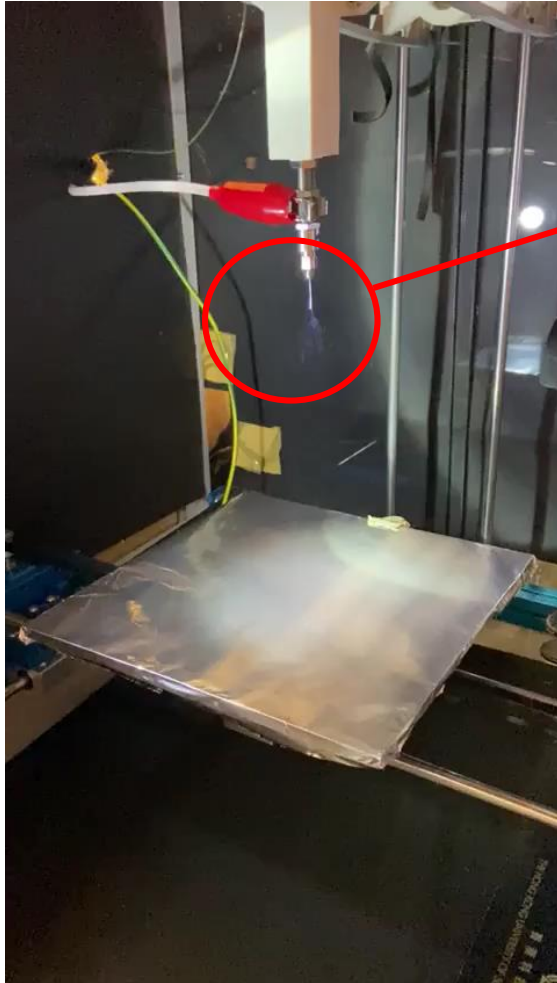


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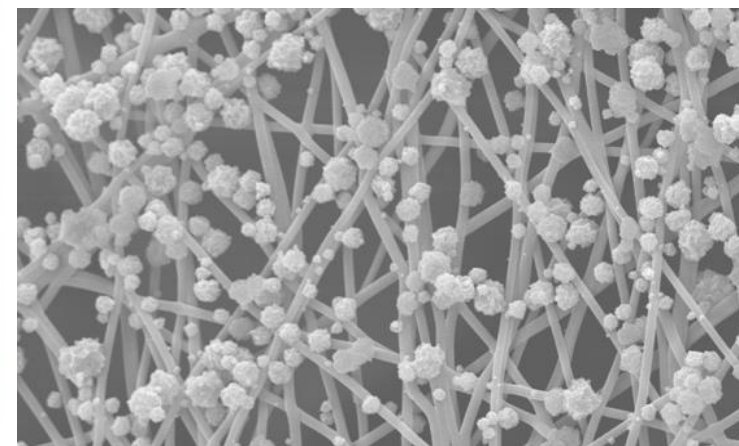
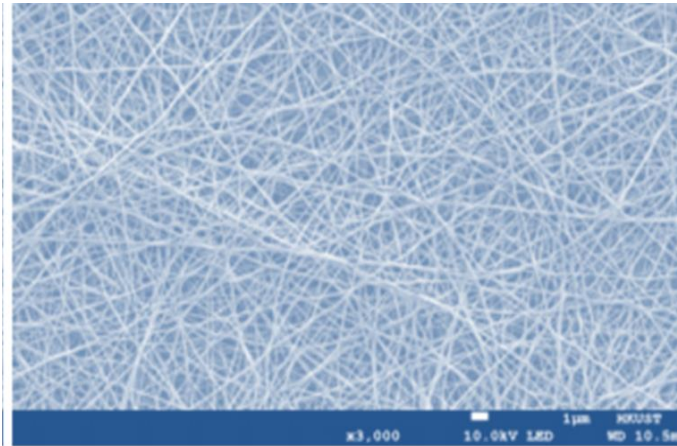
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# MAP-1 for Medical Mask



> 99 % reduction  
bacteria and viruses



Fragrance release:  
Peppermint or  
lemon

> 98 % Filtration better than N95 but with better breathability



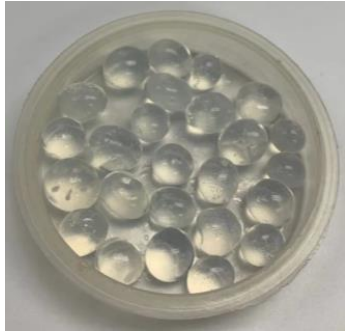


# Water

## MOChydroGel



500 sites in HK  
99 % decrease in  
Odor problem



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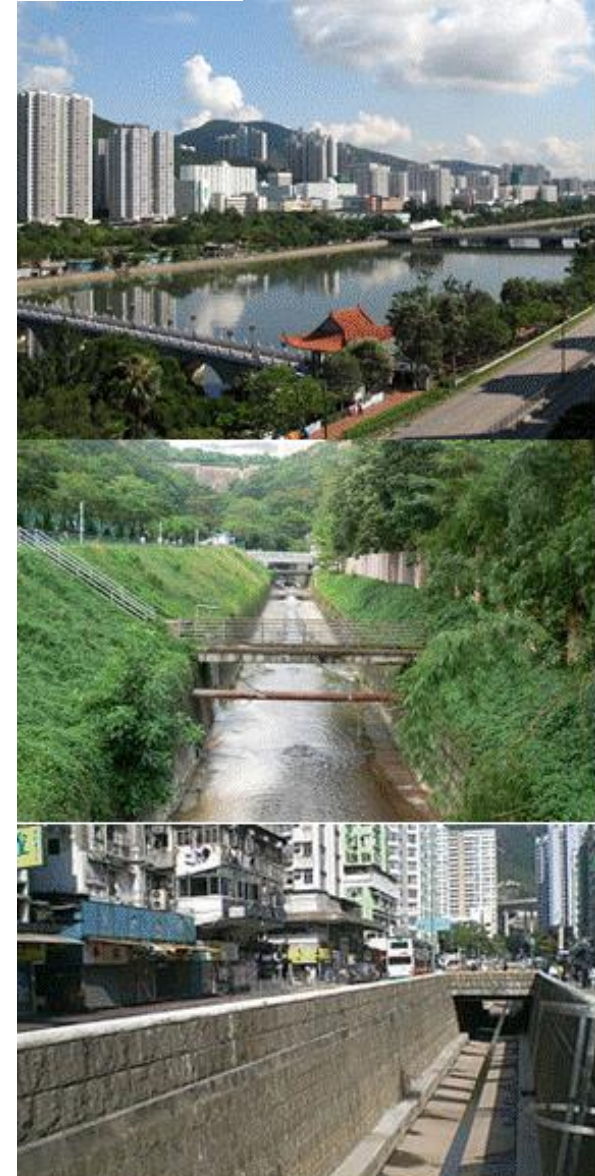
88-95 % H<sub>2</sub>S Removal



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*after the deluge*

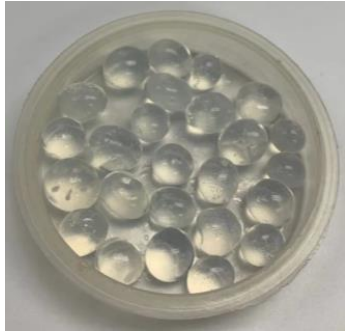
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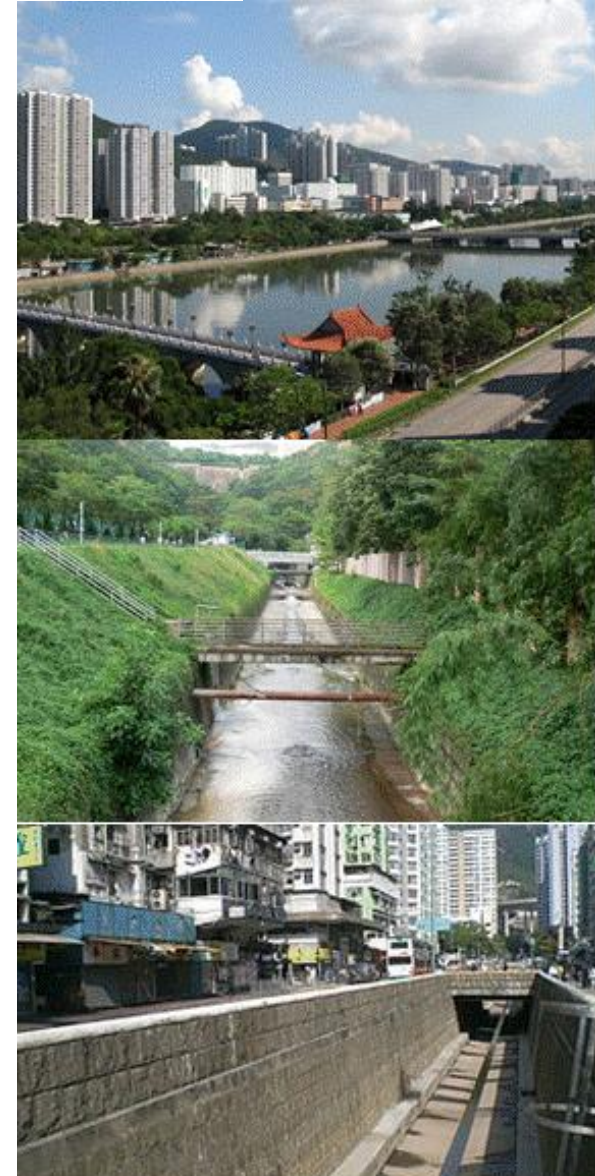


# MOChydroGel

## Microbial and Odor Control



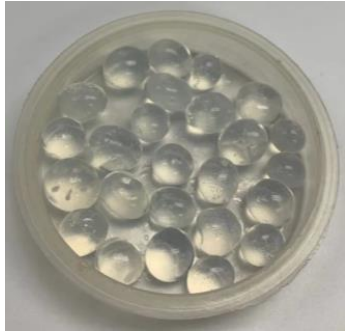
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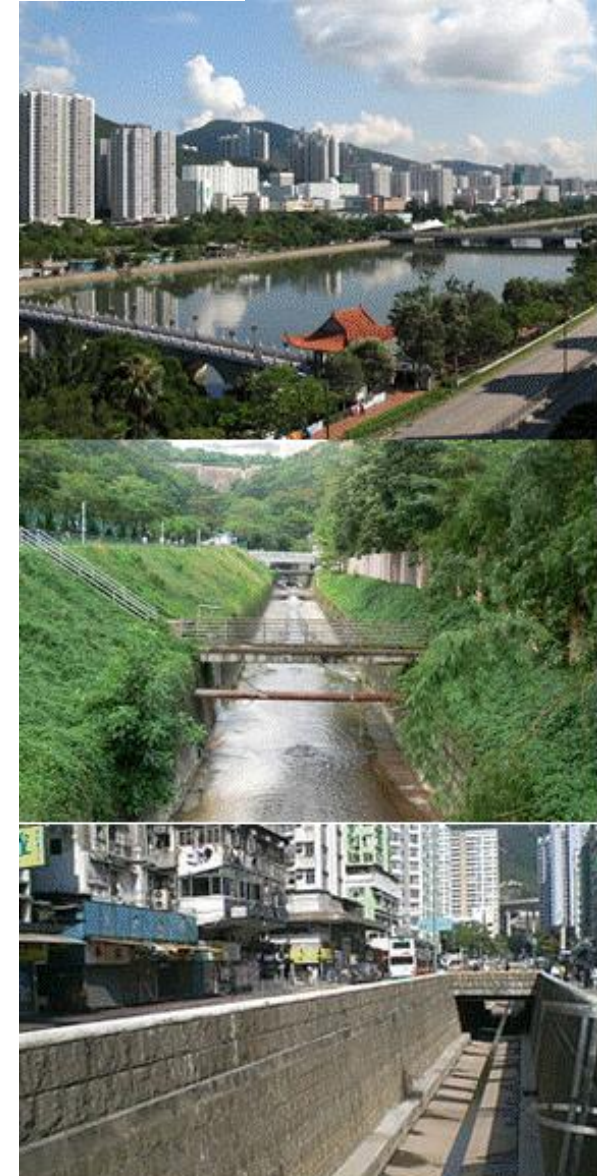
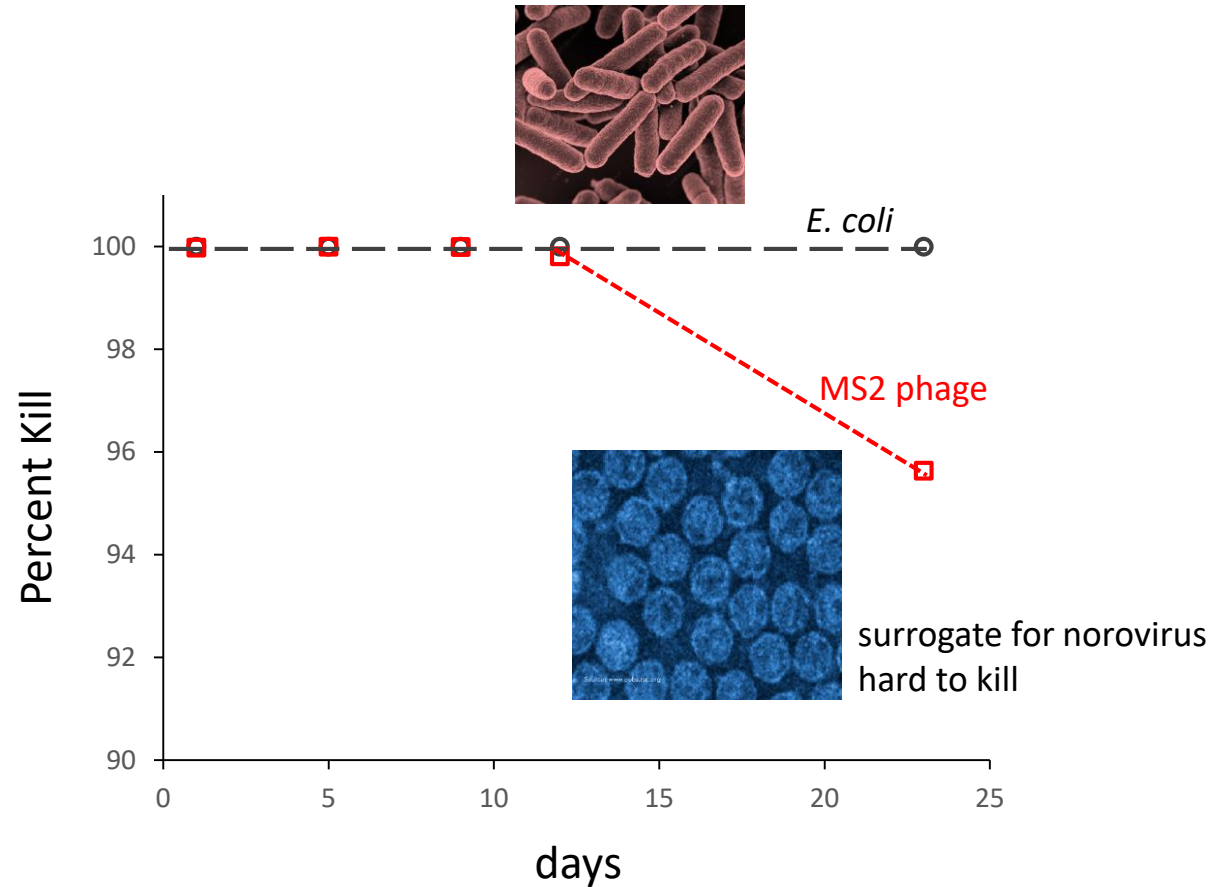


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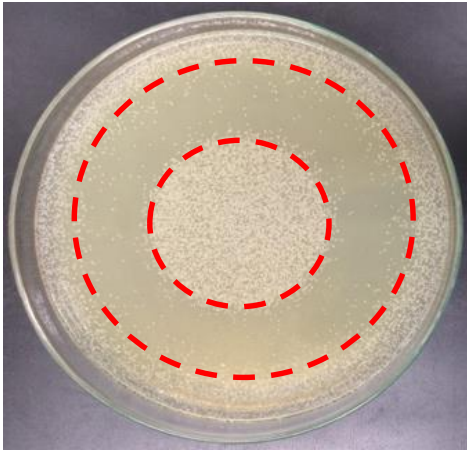
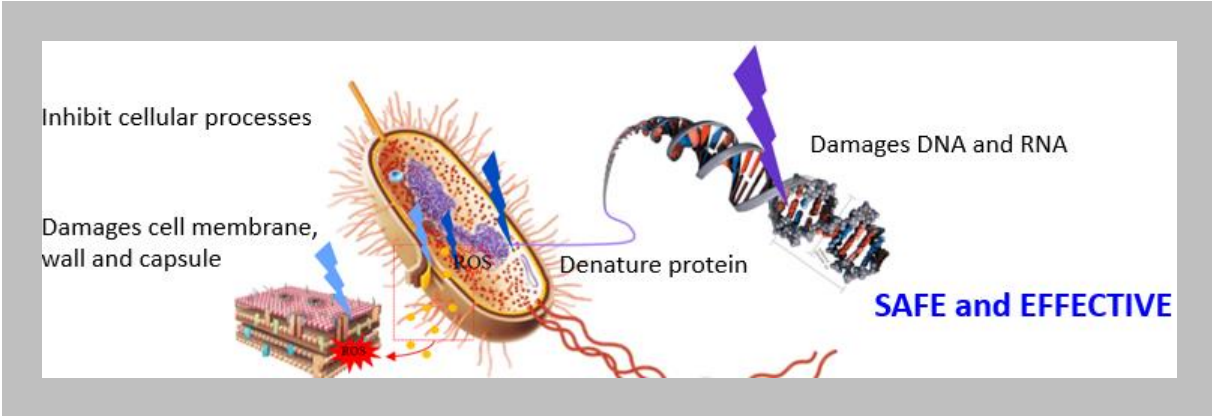
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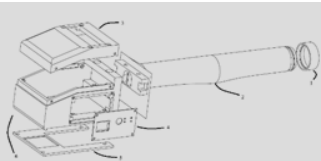


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Efficient

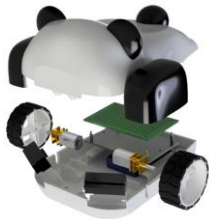
## Handheld Devices



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## Autonomous Devices

Bed/Carpet

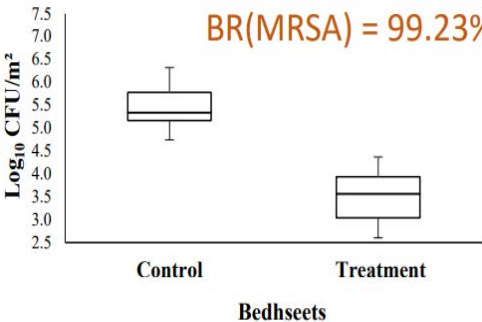


Table/Floor



## Clinical Trial

Location: 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Floor of  
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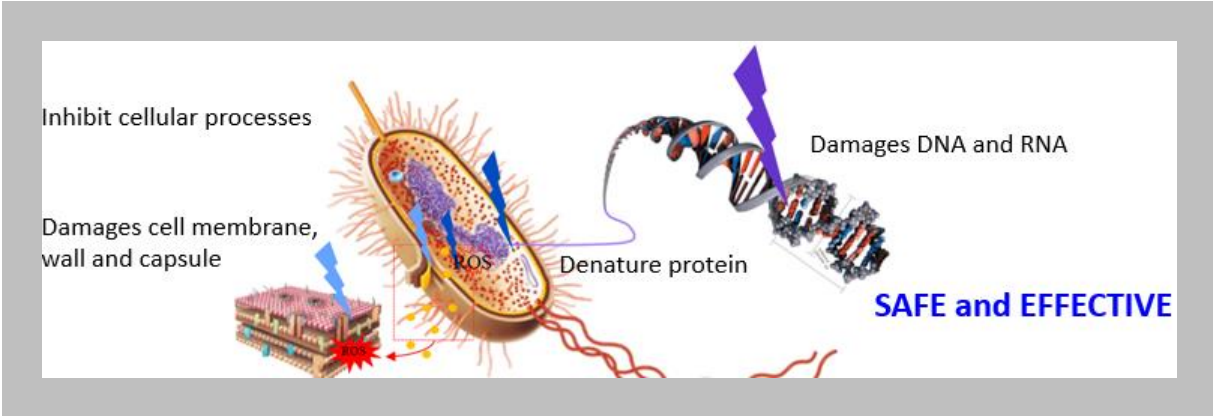




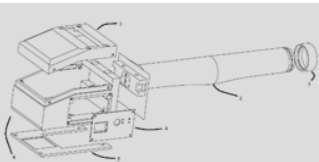
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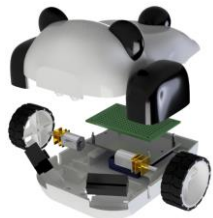
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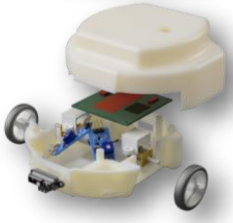
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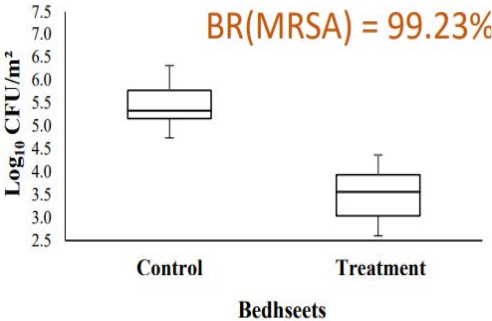


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# Painless Microneedles

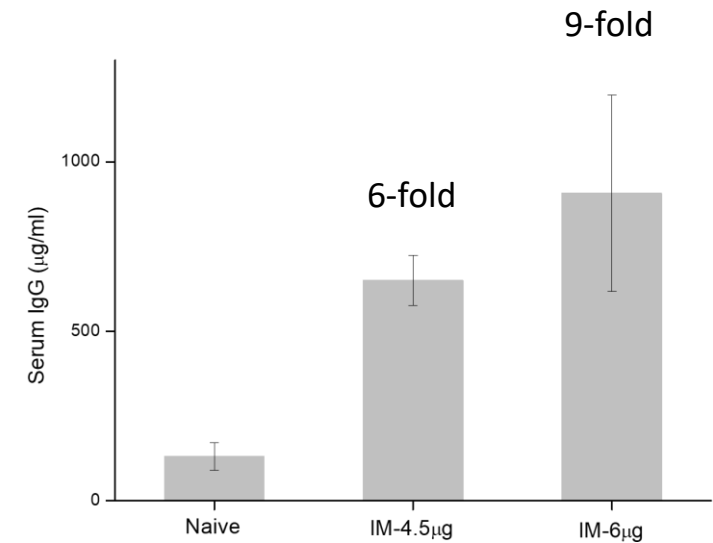
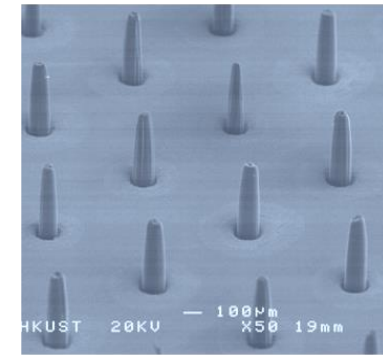
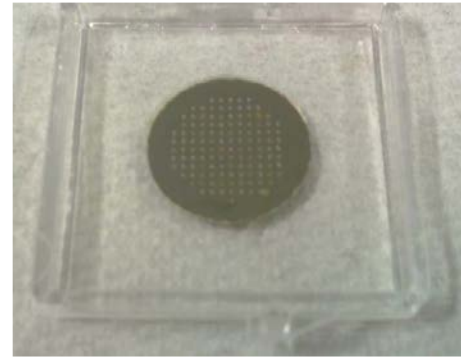
Painless

No Medical Waste

Easy to Use

Effective

Inexpensive



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