

Comparison 2: Preoperative bathing with 2% CHG-impregnated cloths vs. standard CHG 4% preoperative bathing

Quality assessment							№ of patients		Effect		Quality
№ of studies	Study design	Risk of bias	Inconsistency	Indirectness	Imprecision	Other considerations	Bathing with CHG-impregnated cloths	CHG detergent	Relative (95% CI)	Absolute (95% CI)	
Surgical site infection											
1	Observational studies	not serious	not serious	not serious	serious ¹	none	18/284 (6.3%)	7/335 (2.1%)	OR: 0.32 (0.13- 0.77)	14 fewer per 1000 (from 5 fewer to 18 fewer)	⊕○○○ VERY LOW

1. Optimal information size not met

CHG: chlorhexidine gluconate; CI: confidence interval; OR: odds ratio