

**AEROSOL THE  
NEGLECTED ENEMY OF  
THE DENTAL SQUAD**



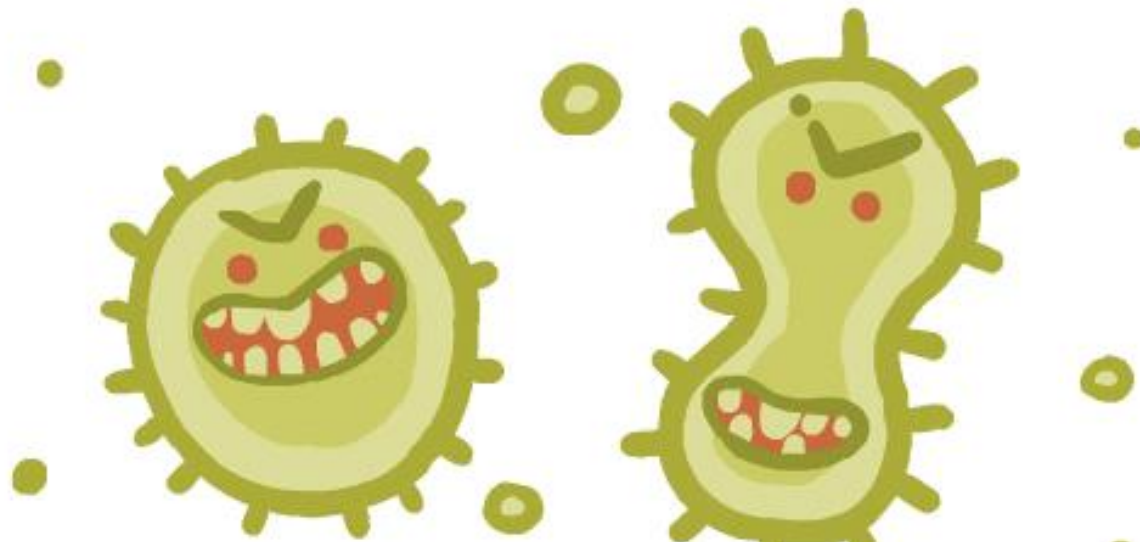
# INTRODUCTION

THE HUMIDITY AND TEMPERATURE OF THE ORAL CAVITY CREATE A WIDE RANGE OF MICROBIAL HABITATS WITH DIFFERENT ENVIRONMENTAL CONDITIONS SUITABLE FOR GROWTH AND COLONIZATION OF VARIOUS TYPES OF MICROORGANISMS (MARSH & MARTIN 2009)

ORAL MICROBES COMPRISE VARIOUS GROUPS OF MICROORGANISMS INCLUDING BACTERIA, FUNGI, MYCOPLASMA, PROTOZOA, AND VIRUSES



DENTAL HEALTH PROFESSIONALS ARE AT HIGH RISK FOR DEVELOPING INFECTIOUS DISEASES BECAUSE OF THE REPEATED EXPOSURES TO THESE MICROORGANISMS WHILE WORKING IN A DENTAL CLINICAL SETTING (KING ET AL. 1997)



**BASED ON THE INFECTIOUS STATUS  
OF A PERSON, THE **BIOAEROSOLS**  
ARE PROVEN TO CONTAIN INFLUENZA  
OR RHINOVIRUSES, MYCOBACTERIUM  
TUBERCULOSIS, STAPHYLOCOCCUS  
AUREUS, VARICELLA ZOSTER VIRUS,  
STREPTOCOCCUS SPP. (**ZEMOURI ET  
AL. 2017**).**

PRE-PROCEDURAL  
RINSING ARE USED  
REDUCING AEROSOL  
CONTAMINATION IN A  
DENTAL CLINICAL  
SETTING DURING  
DENTAL PROCEDURES





## DENTAL PLAQUE

DENTAL PLAQUE IS DEFINED CLINICALLY AS A STRUCTURED, RESILIENT, YELLOW-GREYISH SUBSTANCE THAT ADHERES TENACIOUSLY TO THE INTRA ORAL HARD SURFACES, INCLUDING REMOVABLE AND FIXED RESTORATION. (CARRANZA 10<sup>th</sup> ed)

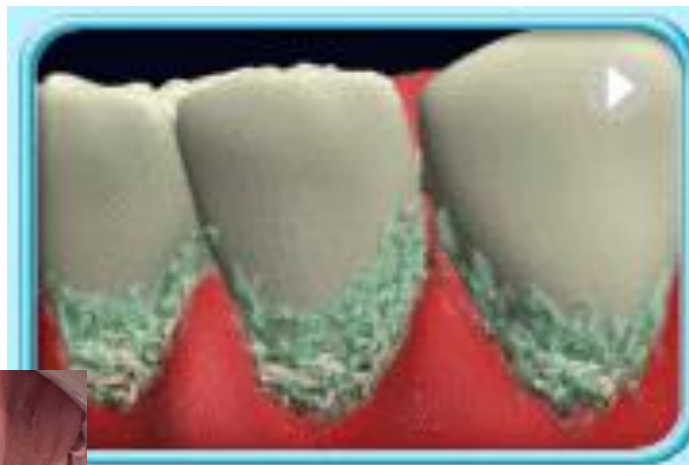


**BEWARE OF PLAQUE!**

**DANGER**

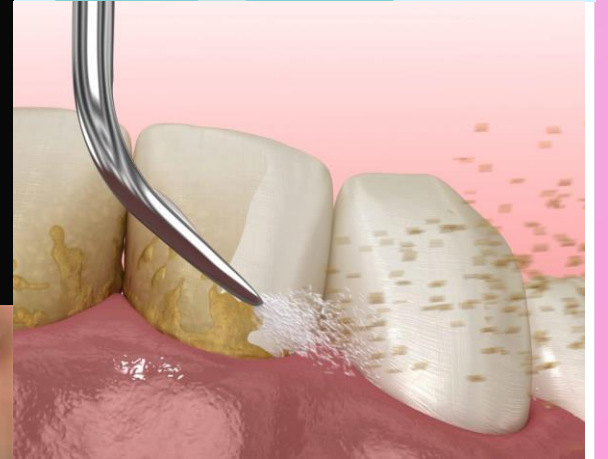
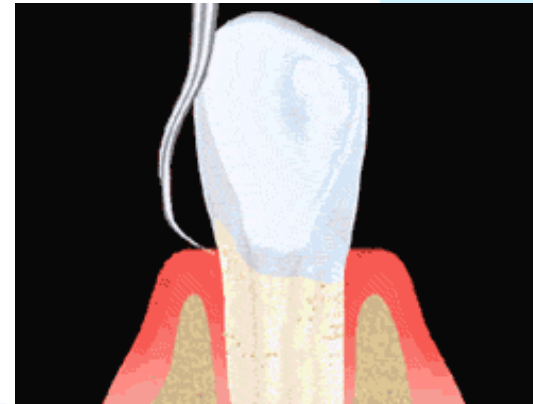
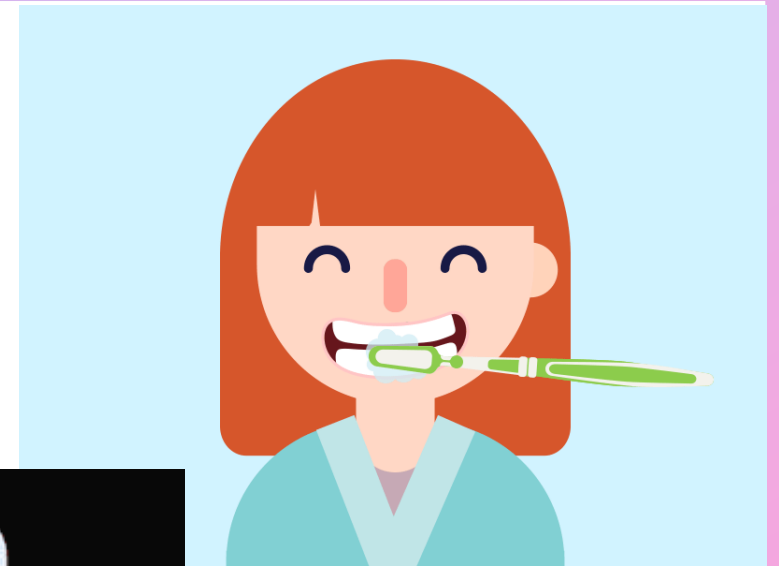


**GINGIVITIS**



**PERIODONTITIS**

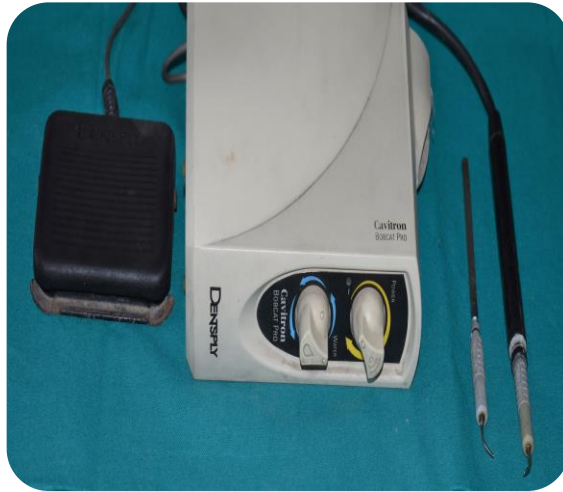
MICROBIAL PLAQUE BIOFILM CONTROL IS AN EFFECTIVE WAY OF TREATING AND PREVENTING GINGIVITIS AND IS AN ESSENTIAL PART OF ALL THE PROCEDURES INVOLVED IN THE TREATMENT AND PREVENTION OF PERIODONTAL DISEASES





## ULTRASONIC SCALERS

- INTRODUCED IN 1955 BY ZINNER



**MAGNETOSTRICTIVE SCALER**



**PIEZOELECTRIC SCALER**

Advantage



REDUCED CHAIR TIME

DOES NOT NEED SHARPENING

ACOUSTIC STREAMING

LUBRICATING EFFECT



CAVITATION EFFECT

ACOUSTIC TURBULENCE

**LESSER FINE  
CONTROL**

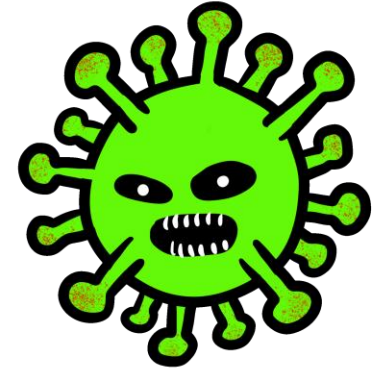
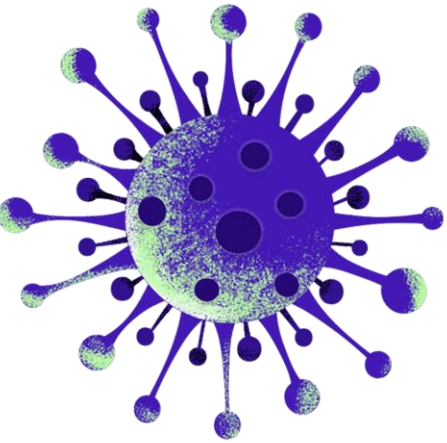
**HIGH COOLANT  
FLOW**

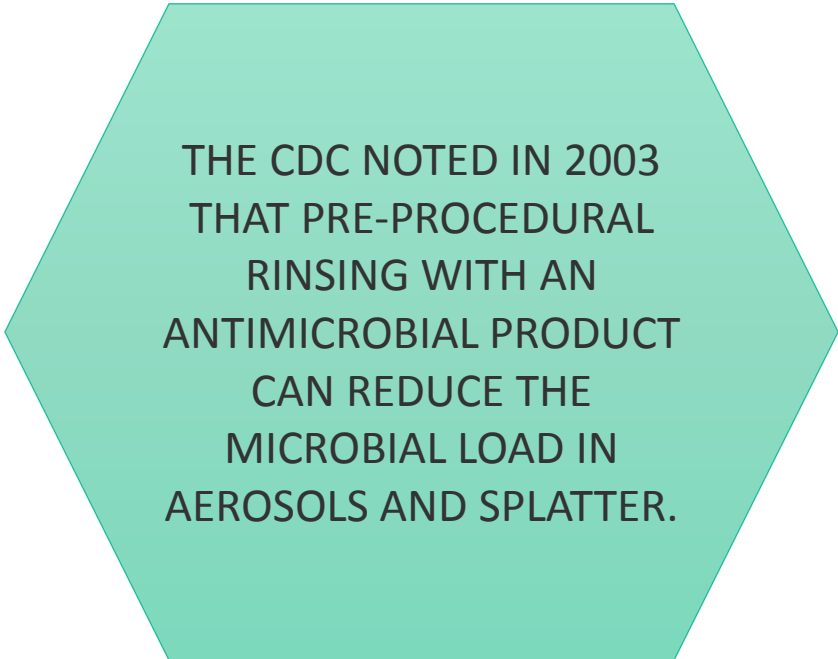
Disadvantage



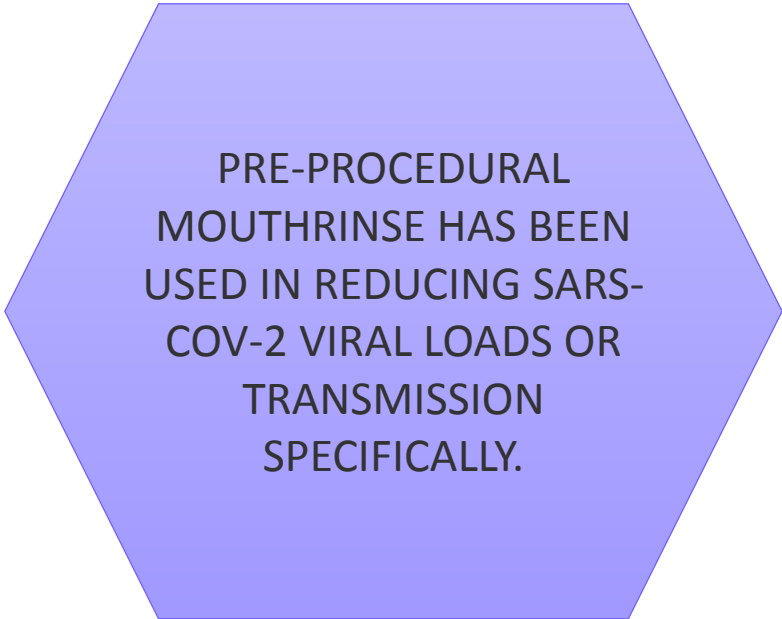
**REDUCED TACTILE  
SENSITIVITY**

**DISCOMFORT  
DURING SCALING**





THE CDC NOTED IN 2003  
THAT PRE-PROCEDURAL  
RINSING WITH AN  
ANTIMICROBIAL PRODUCT  
CAN REDUCE THE  
MICROBIAL LOAD IN  
AEROSOLS AND SPLATTER.



PRE-PROCEDURAL  
MOUTHRINSE HAS BEEN  
USED IN REDUCING SARS-  
COV-2 VIRAL LOADS OR  
TRANSMISSION  
SPECIFICALLY.



# Determination of efficacy of pre-procedural mouth rinsing in reducing aerosol contamination produced by ultrasonic scalers

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CHLORHEXIDINE IS  
CONSIDERED AS THE “GOLD  
STANDARD” OF  
ANTIMICROBIAL RINSE .

30 SUBJECTS WERE SELECTED.  
GROUP I INCLUDED 15 SUBJECTS  
UNDERGOING ULTRASONIC SCALING  
WITHOUT PRE PROCEDURAL RINSING  
AND GROUP II INCLUDED 15  
SUBJECTS UNDERGOING ULTRASONIC  
SCALING WITH PRE PROCEDURAL  
RINSING WITH (10 ML OF UNDILUTED  
0.2% OF CHLORHEXIDINE MOUTH  
WASH).

RINSING FOR THE  
DURATION OF 60  
SECONDS CAN CAUSE  
SUBSTANTIAL  
REDUCTION IN  
BACTERIAL COUNTS

0.2 % OF CHLORHEXIDINE HAD A  
SIGNIFICANT EFFECT AS AN  
ANTIMICROBIAL PRE-  
PROCEDURAL MOUTH RINSE IN  
REDUCING THE NUMBER OF  
MICROORGANISMS IN THE  
AEROSOL PRODUCED BY THE  
ULTRASONIC SCALING UNITS.

# Effectiveness of Pre-Procedural Rinsing with Essential Oils-Based Mouthrinse to Reduce Aerosol Contamination of Periodontitis Patients

Sadun A.S., Taiyeb-Ali T.B., +4 authors Che Ab Aziz Z.A. • Published 31 January 2020 • Medicine • Sains Malaysiana

30 PATIENTS SUBJECTS ASSIGNED TO PRE-RINSE WITH EITHER 20 ML OF TEST MOUTHWASH (LISTERINE®) OR 20 ML OF PLACEBO MOUTHWASH (COLORED DISTILLED WATER).

EVERY SUBJECT WAS INSTRUCTED TO GARGLE USING THE MOUTHWASH FOR 1 MIN PRIOR TO DENTAL SCALING TREATMENT PROCEDURE.

SALIVA SAMPLES WERE TAKEN PRIOR AND AFTER THE RINSING AND AEROSOL WERE SAMPLED FROM THREE DIFFERENT POINTS

IN THIS STUDY, PRE-PROCEDURAL RINSING USING THE ESSENTIAL OILS-BASED MOUTHWASH LISTERINE® WAS EFFECTIVE TOWARDS REDUCING THE SPREAD OF MICROORGANISMS IN ORAL BIOAEROSOL GENERATED DURING DENTAL TREATMENT PROCEDURES. 89.33% REDUCTION IN MICROBIAL CONTAMINANT LEVEL IS OBSERVED.





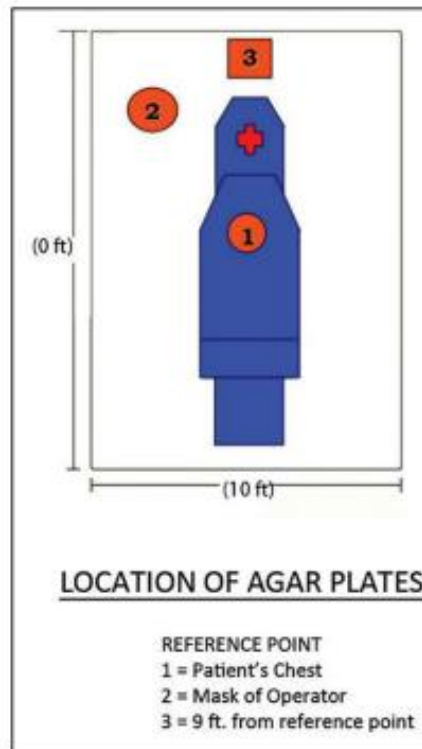
# Efficacy of preprocedural mouth rinsing in reducing aerosol contamination produced by ultrasonic scaler: a pilot study

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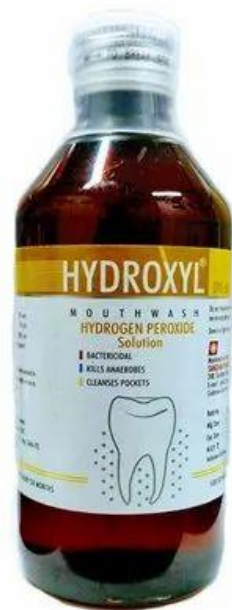
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40 PATIENTS SUBJECTS  
ASSIGNED TO PRE-RINSE  
WITH EITHER 20 ML OF  
TEST MOUTHWASH 1% PI  
OR 20 ML OF PLACEBO  
MOUTHWASH (COLORED  
DISTILLED WATER).

RINSING WITH  
1% PI FOR 1  
MIN PERIOD  
PRIOR TO  
SCALING



THIS STUDY INDICATES  
THAT A PREPROCEDURAL  
RINSE WITH PI CAN  
SIGNIFICANTLY REDUCE  
73% OF THE VIABLE  
MICROBIAL CONTENT OF  
AEROSOLS GENERATED  
DURING SCALING.



# CONCLUSION

PRE-PROCEDURAL RINSING HAS SHOWN REDUCTION IN THE SPREAD OF MICROORGANISMS IN ORAL BIOAEROSOL GENERATED DURING DENTAL TREATMENT PROCEDURES

REDUCTION IN THE NUMBER OF AEROSOLIZED BACTERIA MAY REDUCE THE RISK OF CROSS-CONTAMINATION IN THE DENTAL OFFICE, THUS HELPING PROTECT DENTISTS, DENTAL OFFICE PERSONNEL, AND PATIENTS.



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