

Prevase™ Stain

Chlorhexidine Gluconate 0.5% w/v in 70% v/v DEB Cutaneous Solution



Skin staining antiseptic for pre-operative skin disinfection prior to surgical procedures

Single use skin preparation

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- Chlorhexidine gluconate provides a persistent and cumulative effective barrier for at least 6 hours¹ ensuring a long lasting residual effect.
- Additional presence of alcohol allowing quick drying
- Prevase™ Stain is a skin staining Medicinal Product for single use.



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Broad Spectrum Efficacy

The active substance chlorhexidine gluconate, a broad spectrum antiseptic, is effective against a wide range of both Gram positive and Gram negative bacteria. It is also active against some viruses and fungi.^{1,2}

Skin Staining

The red stain provides enhanced visualisation of the prepared area.

Residual Protection

Prevase™ contains the active ingredient chlorhexidine gluconate, providing a persistent and cumulative effective barrier for at least 6 hours¹. This ensures Prevase™ keeps its antimicrobial efficacy long after application.

Recommended by NICE Guidance NG125

NICE recommends an alcohol-based solution of chlorhexidine as first choice for antiseptic skin preparation, unless contraindicated or the surgical site is next to a mucous membrane³.

Packaging and ordering information

Product	Packaging unit	Order code
Prevase™ Stain	24x200ml (Prevase Stain) 24x4ml (Red Stain Solution)	3104560

Essential Information

Name of Medicinal Product: Prevase Stain Chlorhexidine Gluconate 0.5% w/v in 70% v/v DEB Cutaneous Solution.

Active Ingredients: Chlorhexidine Gluconate Solution 20% BP (Ph Eur) 2.5% v/v.

Indications: For pre-operative skin disinfection prior to surgical procedures.

Posology and Method of Administration: Add the entire contents of the bottle of RSS to the Prevase Stain, mix well and use immediately with sterile gauze or cotton wool saturated with the solution. Allow any excess solution to drain off before applying to the skin. Use gentle strokes to prepare the site for 30 seconds, remove any excess liquid and allow to dry naturally for approximately 3 minutes to ensure adequate microbial reduction.

Contraindications: Do not use in patients with a known hypersensitivity to the product or any of its components, especially in those with a history of possible chlorhexidine-related allergic reactions. Do not use in contact with eyes, brain, meninges, middle ear or external ear with a perforated tympanic membrane. Do not inject or use in body cavities. When use is to be followed by diathermy do not allow pooling of the fluid to occur and ensure that the skin and surrounding drapes are dry.

Warnings: Chlorhexidine is known to induce hypersensitivity, including generalised allergic reactions and anaphylactic shock. In neonates high concentrations of ethanol may cause severe local reactions and systemic toxicity due to significant absorption through immature skin (especially under occlusion). Use of chlorhexidine solutions for skin antiseptics prior to invasive procedures has been associated with chemical burns in neonates. Remove any soaked materials, drapes or gowns before proceeding with the intervention. Do not use excessive quantities and do not allow the solution to pool in skin folds or under the patient or drip of sheets or other material in direct contact with the patient. Where occlusive dressings are to be applied to areas previously exposed to Prevase Stain, care must be taken to ensure no excess product is present prior to application of the dressing. Prevase Stain must not come into contact with the eye. Serious cases of persistent corneal injury, potentially requiring corneal transplant, were reported following accidental ocular exposure to chlorhexidine containing medicinal products. Extreme care must be taken during application to ensure that Prevase Stain does not migrate beyond its intended application site into the eyes, including in anaesthetised patients, who are unable to immediately report ocular exposure. If Prevase Stain comes into contact with the eyes, wash out promptly and thoroughly with water and seek ophthalmologist's advice.

Undesirable effects: Hypersensitivity including anaphylactic shock (Frequency: not known). Allergic skin reactions such as dermatitis, pruritus, erythema, eczema, rash, urticarial, skin irritation, and blisters; Chemical burns in neonates. (Frequency: not known). Corneal erosion, epithelium defect/corneal injury, significant permanent visual impairment. (Frequency: not known).

Marketing Authorisation Holder: Ecolab Ltd, Unit 1, Wernddu Court, Caerphilly, CF83 3SG, UK.

Marketing Authorisation Number: PL 04509/0063.

Legal Status: GSL

Cost: 24x200ml Prevase Stain + 24 x 4ml Red Stain Solution £246.86 (RRP)

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Instructions for use

This product is applied topically.

For single use only.

Add the entire bottle of Red Staining Solution to the Prevase Stain and mix well. Apply the solution undiluted to the area to be disinfected for 30 seconds. Allow any excess to drain off before applying to the skin, remove excess liquid immediately and allow to dry for approximately 3 minutes.

Please read carefully the instructions on the SPC and on the label leaflet.

TRAINING AND SUPPORT

Ecolab's national team of Clinical Implementation Specialists are available to support with all training and educational needs. Please contact your local Ecolab representative for further information.

References

- ¹ Larson E. APIC Guideline for handwashing and hand antisepsis in healthcare settings. Am. J. Infect. Control 1995; 23: 25-69.
- ² Russell AD, Day MJ. Antibacterial activity of chlorhexidine. J Hosp Infect. 1993; 25:229-38.
- ³ NICE guideline [NG125] Surgical site infections: prevention and treatment (last updated: 19 August 2020). <https://www.nice.org.uk/guidance/ng125> [04 June.2024]

Adverse reactions to medicinal products should be reported.

Reporting forms and information can be found at yellowcard.mhra.gov.uk.

Adverse events should also be reported to Ecolab: Ecolab-PhV@spm2-safety.com

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