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3M™ Ioban™ 2

Antimicrobial Incise Drape



International guidelines no longer recommend the use of non-antimicrobial drapes but instead suggest using an iodophor-impregnated drape if an incise drape is required.

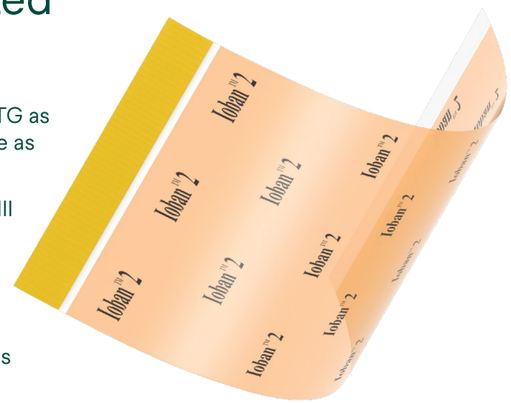


	Recommended by global organisations
ACORN (2026)[5]	High-quality literature, including multiple randomised controlled trials and systematic reviews, supports the use of antimicrobial or iodophor impregnated incision drapes, resulting in a lower rate of contamination and bacterial colonisation at the surgical site.
NHMRC (2019)[6]	If an incise drape is required, use an iodophor-impregnated drape unless the patient has an iodine allergy. Do not use non-iodophor-impregnated incise drapes routinely for surgery as they may increase the risk of surgical-site infection. Ensure skin preparation is dry before draping the patient.
APSIC (2019)[2]	When using adhesive drapes, do not use non-iodophor-impregnated drapes for surgery as they may increase the risk of surgical site infection. In orthopedic and cardiac surgical procedures where adhesive drapes are used, consider using an iodophor-impregnated incise drape, unless the patient has an iodine allergy or other contraindication.
NICE (2019)[3]	Do not use non-iodophor-impregnated incise drapes routinely for surgery, as they may increase the risk of SSIs. If an incise drape is required, use an iodophor-impregnated drape unless the patient has an iodine allergy.
AORN (2023)[4]	Do not use adhesive incise drapes without antimicrobial properties. Iodophor-impregnated adhesive incise drapes may be used in accordance with the manufacturer's IFU, unless contraindicated by a patient's allergy to iodine.
KRINKO (2018)[1]	Increase of SSIs due to the non-antiseptically impregnated incision drape is reversed with using an antimicrobial incise drape.
ICM (2018)[20]	Evidence indicates antimicrobial-impregnated incise drapes result in reduction in bacterial colonisation of the surgical site. "While bacterial colonisation of the incision may predispose to subsequent SSIs/PJIs, there is no literature to demonstrate that the use of incise drapes results in clinical differences in the rates of subsequent PJIs. Many surgeons prefer to utilise draping for physical isolation of sterile from nonsterile regions and to prevent migration of drapes during the procedure."

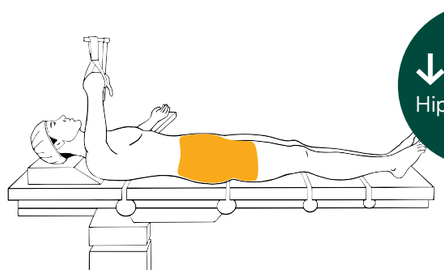
Around the world, clinical guidelines supporting the use of antimicrobial incise drapes were generated from 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape published evidence.

Our promise of quality and trusted performance.

- 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drapes are entered on the ARTG as a class III medical device (ARTG 160199) and are indicated for use as an incise drape with continuous antimicrobial activity
- 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drapes are classified as Class III medical devices because the iodine incorporated into the incise drape is a drug which works in the deeper layers of a patient's skin[1] to reduce the risk of surgical site infections (SSI).[9,12]
- 3M™ Ioban™ Antimicrobial Incise Drapes were first launched in the US in 1981 with the product being used successfully in millions of procedures around the world for over 45 years



Evidence with lowering intraoperative bacterial contamination.



Prospective, randomised clinical trial, studying 101 patients undergoing open joint preservation procedure of the hip with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape compared to no drape.

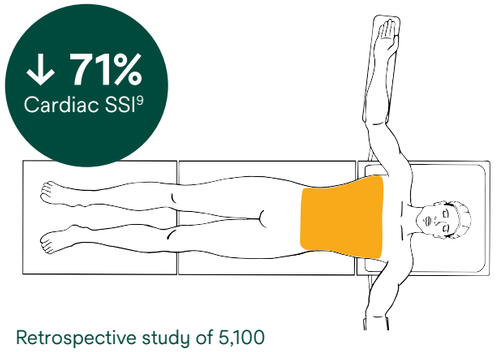
Rezapoor. M., et al. [2018].



Prospective, multi-centre, randomised clinical trial of 1,187 patients undergoing primary knee arthroplasty with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape compared to no drape.

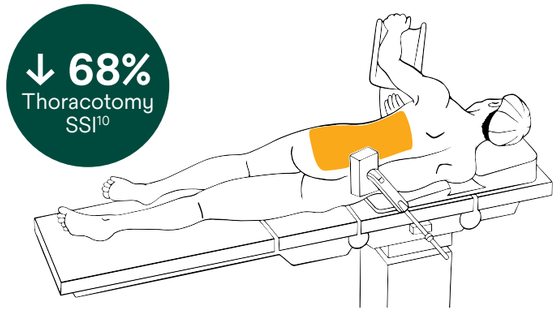
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Evidence with reduction in surgical site infection.



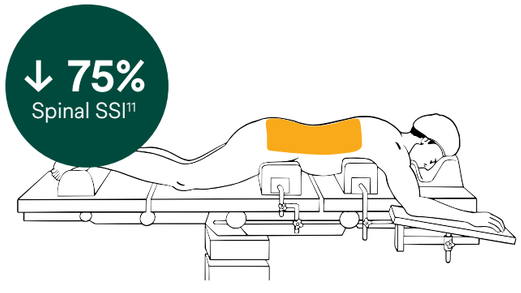
Retrospective study of 5,100 patients using propensity-matched analysis with 808 patients with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape compared to clear incise drape.

Bejko. J., et al. [2015].



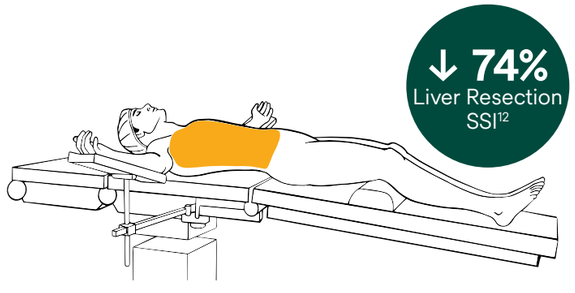
Retrospective analysis of 654 patients undergoing resection via thoracotomy with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape compared to no drape.

Karapinar. K., Kocaturk. C. [2019].



Retrospective analysis of 2,279 patients in German high volume, tertiary care university spine centre with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape compared to clear incise drape.

Gencer. A., et al. [2023].



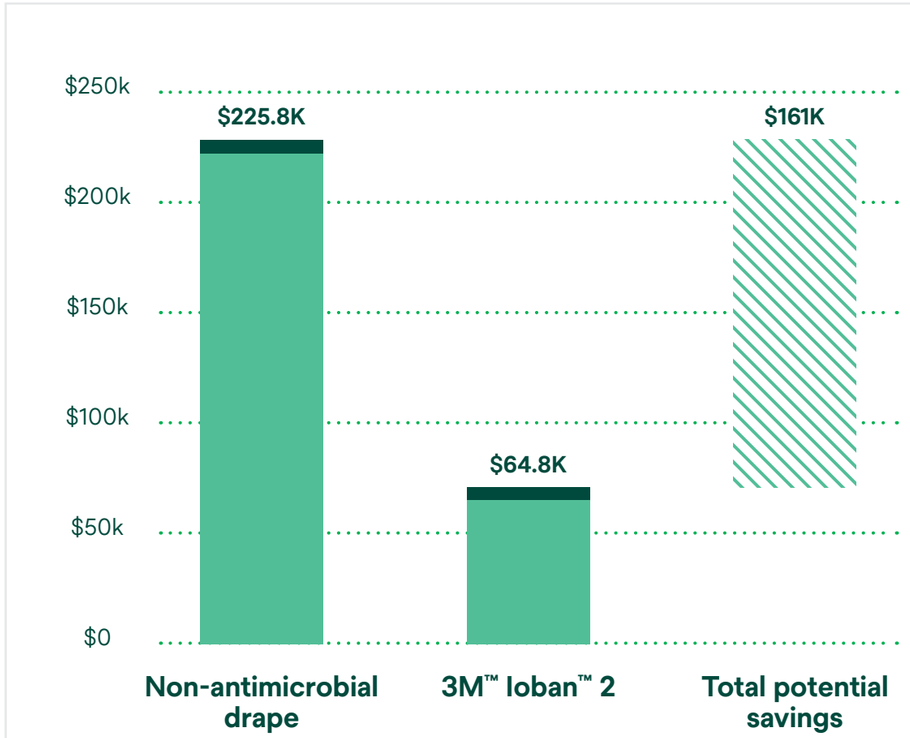
Retrospective study of 296 patients undergoing liver resection for hepatocellular carcinoma (HCC) with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape compared to no drape.

Yoshimura. Y., et al. [2003].

How can 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape help reduce hospital costs?

The following results are calculated by the Solventum Budget Impact Calculator, based on health economic modeling and information provided by scientific studies.[9,13]

In a calculated scenario with 100 cardiac patients, the reduction of risk of bacterial wound contamination with Ioban incise drape vs a non-antimicrobial drape when used in conjunction with good clinical practice (antibiotics, infection prevention protocols, and standard surgical technique), suggests the potential to be associated with:

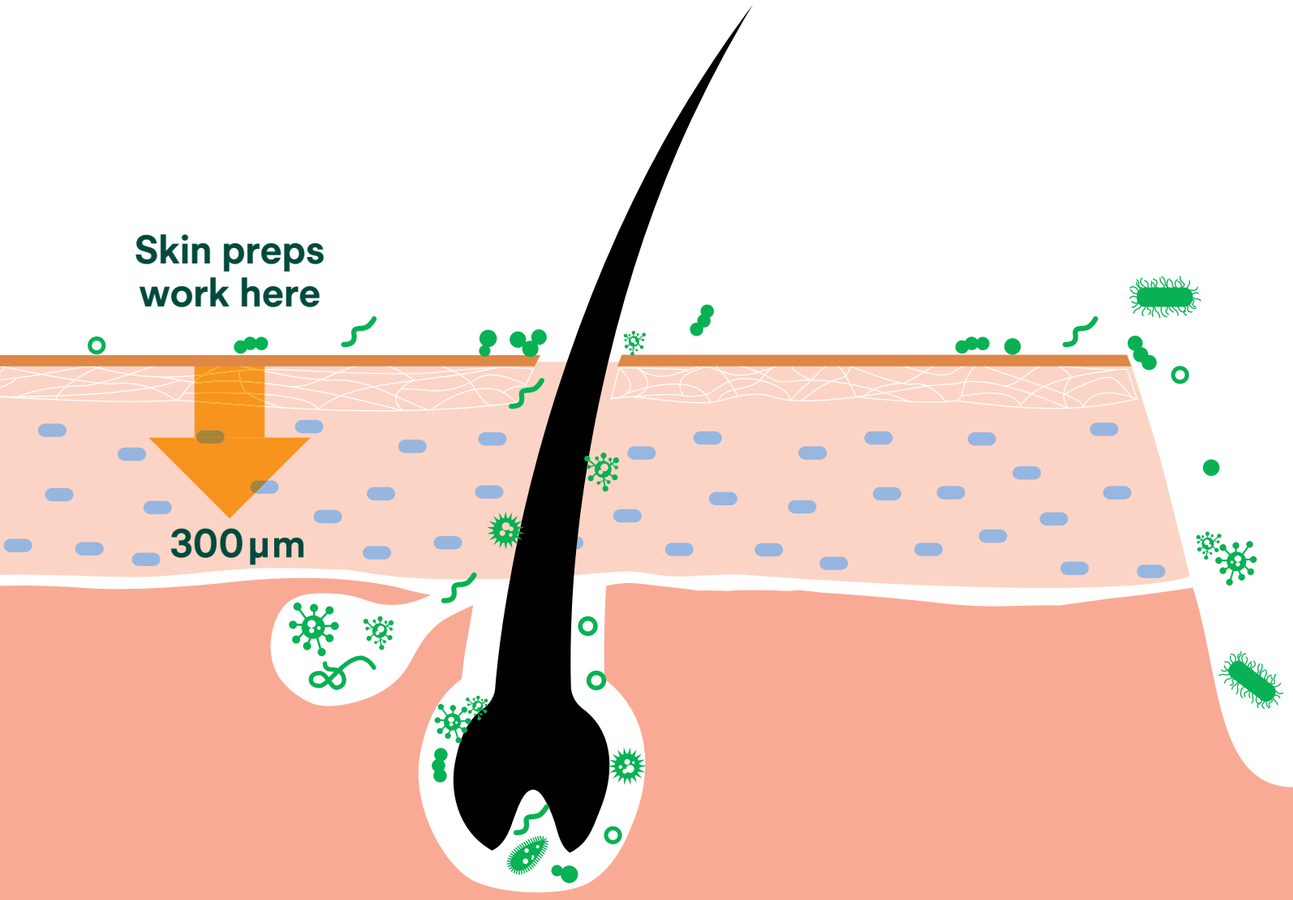


5 fewer SSI's
For every 100 patients

$161,061
Total cost saved

71.3%
Total cost savings

This is an illustration and not a guarantee of actual individual costs, savings or outcomes. The figures illustrated are a rounded version of the output generated by the calculator. The results calculated by the Solventum Budget Impact Calculator are based on health economic modeling and on information provided by scientific studies. It gives suggestions about budgetary relationships for the purpose of optimisation. The calculations are conducted with reasonable care, using the instruments/parameters specified in the references. Solventum shall not be liable for the results of the calculations and these results shall be seen as an indication only of the potential cost, savings and outcomes based on the information given and is in no way binding. Other factors, which might also have an influence on the results, may have not been taken into account.

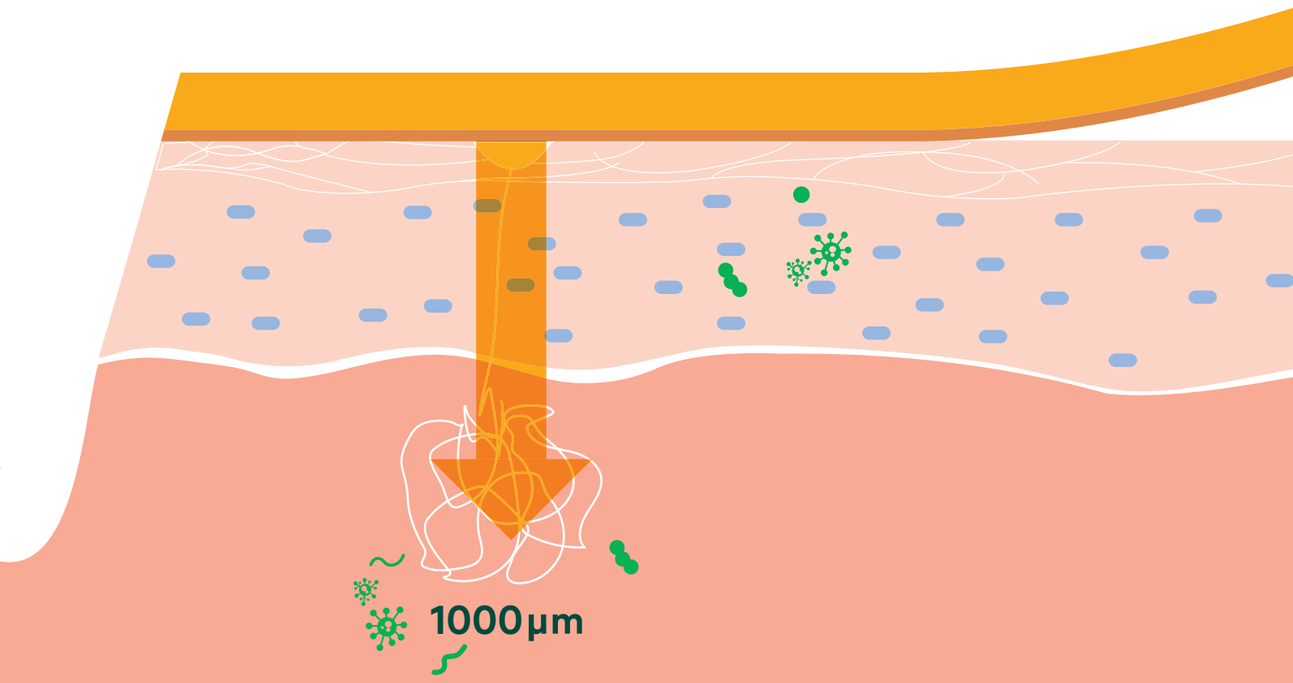


Microorganisms on patient's own skin are a major source of surgical site infections (SSIs).

Clinicians take great care to create a sterile field in order to prevent intraoperative contamination from skin bacteria. However, the surgical site is commonly left exposed. Even with optimal skin preparation, total sterilisation of the skin is impossible. You need more than a surgical prep to help prevent microbial regrowth or residual microbes from migrating into the wound or incision site.

3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drapes

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3M™ Ioban 2™ Antimicrobial Incise Drape provides proven continuous broad-spectrum antimicrobial activity down to 1000 microns to help to suppress microbial re-colonisation around the surgical site.[14] Through continuous antimicrobial activity, immobilising bacteria and conformable adhesion that helps the drape stay in place throughout the surgical procedure, 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Drape helps reduce intraoperative bacterial contamination to guard against SSI.

Continuous antimicrobial activities

Provides continuous broad-spectrum antimicrobial activity to help reduce the risk of surgical site contamination.

Immobilises bacteria

Immobilises bacteria on the skin, helping to prevent migration into the surgical incision area.

Conformable adhesion

Adheres and conforms to the operative site, allowing for limb manipulation during surgery.

3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Drape has a 5-log reduction against 12 microorganisms in vitro; MRSA, S. epidermidis, E. faecalis (VRE), E. faecium (MDR), S. pyogenes, E. cloacae, E. coli, K. pneumoniae, P. aeruginosa, S. marcescens, C. albicans, C. parapsilosis.[15]*

	Cat No.	Product	Adhesive area	Items/box	Boxes/case
	**6635**	3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape	10cm x 20cm	10	4
	**6661EZ***	3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape EZ	26cm x 20cm	50	4
	**6640EZ**	3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape EZ	35cm x 35cm	10	4
	**6650EZ**	3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape EZ	60cm x 45cm	10	4
	**6648EZ**	3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape EZ	60cm x 60cm	10	4
	**6651EZ**	3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Drape EZ	60cm x 85cm	10	4
	**6617**	Isolation Drape with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Film and Pouch	Overall size: 320cm x 213cm Adhesive size: 50cm x 24cm	5	4
	**6619**	Large Isolation Drape with 3M™ Ioban™ 2 Antimicrobial Incise Film and Pouch	Overall size: 378cm x 254cm Adhesive size: 70cm x 32cm	5	1

*New Zealand only.

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*As with any in vitro study, clinical relevance of the results is not fully understood.
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