

Spotted/Stained Instruments

CAUSE: Most likely to be remnants of cleaning detergents on the instrument surface which is then "baked" on during sterilisation.
Another cause may be remnants of the minerals and salts that are found in tap water.
(the levels of which vary substantially across regions within Australia)

FIX: Acid-bath. Product: SURGISTAIN. Following the instructions for use and wear the appropriate PPE.

PREVENTION: RINSE ! RINSE ! RINSE !

Rinse thoroughly - with warm to hot flowing water immediately after washing your instruments.
(it is important to remove all remnants of the detergent)

Ensure that you follow the correct dilution rates when using medical-grade detergents.
(more detergent does not result in better cleaning and makes it harder to rinse/flush post cleaning)

Dry the instruments immediately after washing. Avoid allowing the instrument to passively air-dry. Wipe/pat them dry with lint-free towel (AQUASORB - this will help to remove the minerals and salts and avoid them drying onto the surface).

If you have any questions regarding the processes outlined in this document, please don't hesitate to contact our Technical Service Department on 03 8586 7800 (option 3).



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