Table 1.

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| **Practical Requirements** | **Inactivates** |
|  | **Contact Time (min.)** |  |
| **Disinfectants****Type Category** | **Use Dilution** | Lipo virus | Broad Spec. | Temp. ( o C) | Rel. Humid (%) | Veg. Bacteria | Lipo viruses | Non-lipid Virus | Bact. Spores |
| **Liq.** | Quat Ammon. | 0.1-2.0% | 10 | NE A |  |  | **+** | **+** |  |  |
| Phenolic | 1.0-5.0% | 10 | NE |  |  | **+** | **+** | B |  |
| Chlorine | 500 ppmc | 10 | 30 |  |  | **+** | **+** | **+** | **+** |
| Iodophor | 25-1600 ppmc | 10 | 30 |  |  | **+** | **+** | **+** | **+** |
| Ethanol | 70 – 85% | 10 | NE |  |  | **+** | **+** | B |  |
| Isopropanol | 70 – 85% | 10 | NE |  |  | **+** | **+** | B |  |
| Formaldehyde | 0.2-8.0% | 10 | 30 |  |  | **+** | **+** | **+** | **+** |
| Glutaraldehyde | 2% | 10 | 30 |  |  | **+** | **+** | **+** | **+** |
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| **Gas** | Ethylene Oxide | 8-23 g/f**t3** | 60 | 60 | 37 | 30 | **+** | **+** | **+** | **+** |
| Para-formaldehyde | 0.3 g/ft**3** | 60 | 60 | >23 | >60 | **+** | **+** | **+** | **+** |
| A NE-Not EffectiveB Variable results dependent on virusC Available Halogen |

Table 2

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| **Disinfectants****Type**   **Category** | **Important Characteristics** |
| Shelf Life(>1wk.A ) | Corrosive | Flammable | Explosion Potential | Residue | Inactivated by Organic Matter | Compatible for OpticsB | Compatible for Electronics | Skin Irritant | Respiratory Irritant | Eye Irritant | Toxicc |
| **Liquid** | Quat Ammon | + |  |  |  |  | + | + |  | + |  | + | + |
|  | Phenolic | + | + |  |  | + |  |  |  | + |  | + | + |
| Chlorine |  | + |  |  | + | + |  |  | + | + | + | + |
| Iodophor | + | + |  |  | + | + |  |  | + |  | + | + |
| Ethanol | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | + | + |
| Isopropanol | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |  |  |  | + | + |
| Formaldehyde | + |  |  |  | + |  |  |  | + |  | + | + |
| Glutaraldehyde | + |  |  |  | + |  | + |  | + |  | + | + |
|  |
| **Gas** | Ethylene Oxide |  N/A |  | +D | + D |  |  | + | + | + | + | + | + |
|  | Para-formaldehyde | N/A |  | +E | + E |  |  | + | + | + | + | + | + |
| AProtected from light and airBUsually compatible, but consider interferences from residues and effects on associated materials such as mounting adhesivesCSkin or mouth or both-refer to manufacturer’s literature and /or Merck IndexDNeither flammable nor explosive in 90%CO2 or fluorinated hydrocarbon, the usual formEAt concentrations of 7 to 73% by volume in air, solid-exposure to open flame  |

**TABLE 3**

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| **Potential Application** |
| **Disinfectants****Type Category** | WorkSur-Faces | Dirty Glass-ware | Large Area Decon. | Air Handling Systems | PortableEquip. Surface Decon | PortableEquip. Penetrating Decon | FixedEquip. Surface Decon | Fixed Equip. Penetrating Decon. | Optical and ElectronicInstruments | Liquids for Discard | Books,Papers |
| **Liquid** |  |
| Quat. Ammon. | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |
| Phenolic | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |
| Chlorine | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  | + |  |
| Iodophore | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |
| Ethanol | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |
| Isopropanol | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |
| Formaldehyde | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |
| Glutaraldehyde | + | + |  |  | + |  | + |  |  |  |  |
|  |
| **Gas** | Ethylene Oxide |  |  |  |  |  | + |  |  | + |  | + |
| Paraformaldehyde |  |  | + | + |  | + |  | + | + |  |  |
| + Very Positive response; + / ─ Less Positive Response; No entry denotes negative response or not applicable |

Table 4

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| **Disinfectants** | Veg. Bacteria | Lipo Viruses | *M. tuberculosis* | Hydrophyllic Viruses | Spores | **Examples of Proprietary Disinfectants** |
| **Liquid** | Quat. Ammon. | + | + |  |  |  | A-33, CDQ, End-Bac, Hi-Tor, Mikro-Quat |
| Phenolic | + | + | + | + / ─ |  | Hil-Phene, Matar, Mikro-Bac, O-syl |
| Chlorine | + | + | + | + | + / ─ | Chloramine T, Clorox, Purex |
| Iodophor | + | + | + | + / ─ |  | Hy-Sine, Ioprep, Mikroklene, Wescodyne |
| Ethanol | + | + | + | + / ─ |  | Fisher, J.T.Baker, Mallinkrodt |
| Isopropanol | + | + | + | + / ─ |  | Fisher, J.T.Baker, Mallinkrodt, CVS,  |
| Formaldehyde | + | + | + | + | + / ─ | Sterac |
| Glutaraldehyde | + | + | + | + | + | Cidex |
|  |
| **Gas** | Ethylene Oxide | + | + | + | + | + | Carboxide, Cryoxide, Steroxide |
| Para-formaldehyde | + | + | + | + | + | Fisher, J.T.Baker, Mallinkrodt |
| + Very Positive response; + / ─ Less Positive Response; No entry denotes negative response or not applicableThese are a representative few of all the products available for disinfection. The listing or omission of a product neither rejects nor endorses use of the product. |