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Disinfectant Qualification – A Multifaceted Study



In this article, Ziva Abraham, Microrite, Inc., gives us a brief overview of the disinfectant qualification study process. An effective cleaning and disinfection program is critical to ensuring the quality of products in an aseptic manufacturing facility. A disinfectant qualification study will help you implement a sound cleaning disinfection program. This study should be thoroughly documented to comply with regulatory requirements.

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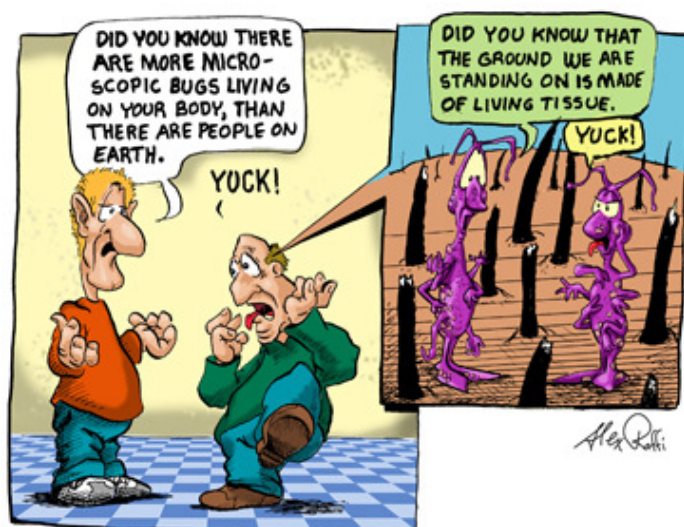
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Five Second Rule Debunked



How many times has this happened to you? Your delicious snack has dropped to the floor! You may have heard of "The Five Second Rule;" pick up the dropped food from the floor within five seconds and your tasty treat is still good to eat. New information proves this may not be a good idea.

According to the July 2010 issue of the National Geographic, Dr. Paul Dawson, a food scientist at Clemson University, has discovered that "salmonella and other bacteria can survive up to four weeks on dry surfaces and transfer to food immediately upon contact." So, the next time you drop food on the floor, think twice before applying the Five Second Rule!

Stanley's Helpful Hints



Pediococcus damnosus is called *damnosus* because that's what some techs say when they can't get it to grow. Always remember to grow *P. damnosus* on MRS agar at 25° C (not 35°) in 5-10% CO₂. An alternative media is MRS broth. More information can be found in the [Microbiologics Growth Requirements Technical Information Bulletin](#).

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