Name of Policy:	Cleaning and disinfecting electrodes	{	
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Policy Statement

All electrode supplies will be cleaned and disinfected in accordance with this policy.

Procedure

Detergent concentration is 1 pump per 22 ounces of water.

Bleach solution is 1.5 ounces of bleach to 20 ounces of water. (1:10 solution)

*Must wear eye protection when working with bleach solution.

GRASS ELECTRODES

- *Gold electrodes are extremely soft and scratch easily. If needed, suggest rubbing with soft cotton swab.
 - 1. Use warm soapy water prior to disinfecting. (no time limit suggested)
 - 2. Rinse with warm water.
 - 3. Soak 10 minutes at least but no more than 1 hour in Bleach solution.
 - 4. Rinse in tap water.

IVES IMAGING FRIENDLY ELECTRODES

- *Do not use collodion remover
 - 1. Soak 10-20 minutes in warm soapy water. DO NOT leave soaking more than 20 minutes.
 - 2. Rinse with warm water.
 - 3. Soak no longer than 10 minutes in bleach solution.
 - 4. Rinse with warm water.

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