

Table SI. Bacterial counts of Staphylococcus sp., including Methicillin-resistant Staphylococcus aureus (MRSA), on the copper film fixed to the patient's bed sheet

	Bacteria, n (cfu/25 cm ²)					
	MRSA	<i>p</i> -values	Other <i>Staphylococcus</i> sp.	<i>p</i> -values	<i>P. aeruginosa</i>	<i>p</i> -values
26 June 2008						
Copper	54 ± 72	<i>p</i> < 0.002	88 ± 100	<i>p</i> < 0.04		
Control	8,767 ± 2,136		7,460 ± 4,399		Not detected	
27 June 2008						
Copper	20 ± 30	<i>p</i> < 0.007	48 ± 33	<i>p</i> < 0.04	Not detected	
Control	8,333 ± 2,887		3,000 ± 1,732		Not detected	
30 June 2008						
Copper	2 ± 1	<i>p</i> < 0.001	4 ± 1	<i>p</i> < 0.001	Not detected	
Control	13 ± 2		272 ± 48		Not detected	
4 July 2008						
Copper	1 ± 0		1 ± 0	<i>p</i> < 0.05	1 ± 0	<i>p</i> < 0.01
Control	1 ± 0		67 ± 48		5,000 ± 100	
16 July 2008						
Copper	1 ± 0	<i>p</i> < 0.001	2 ± 0	<i>p</i> < 0.001	1 ± 0	<i>p</i> < 0.002
Control	5 ± 1		148 ± 24		4 ± 1	