Snoop [™] Caries Detecting Dye

For Conservative Cavity Preps

SNOOP 12 mL bottle



Snoop[™] distinguishes between outer infected and inner affected dentin in 10 seconds.

Snoop identifies infected carious dentin and helps the practitioner preserve vital dentin that should not be removed. The caries detecting dye stains the denatured collagen that is only present in the outer infected dentin. This is an important tool for conservative dentistry.

- Dark blue color provides strong contrast with dentin and the pulp
- Propylene glycol formula accurately identifies infected dentin in 10 seconds



Carious dentin is made up of two distinct layers.

- The layer of outer infected dentin is soft, discolored, non-vital, nonsensitive, cannot remineralize, should be removed and is stained by Snoop in 10 seconds.
- The layer of inner uninfected (affected) dentin is not infused with bacteria, is capable of remineralizing, should not be removed and is not stained by Snoop in 10 seconds.

Snoop Procedure



1 Obvious occlusal caries.



2 After removing obvious caries, apply SNOOP for 10 seconds.



3 Rinse and remove only the stained infected dentin.



4 Re-apply SNOOP and rinse. No further staining means no remaining infected dentin.

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