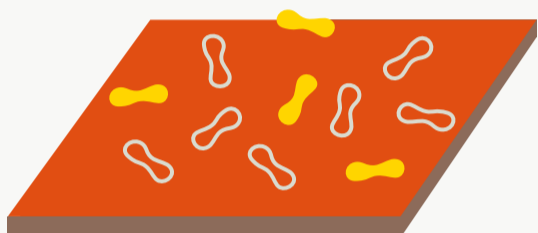


A HELPING HAND FROM COPPER



Hospitals guard against the spread of infection using a range of measures, including hand washing and ensuring surfaces are regularly cleaned. Antimicrobial copper works alongside these as additional protection.

WHAT IS ANTIMICROBIAL COPPER?



Germs die rapidly on copper and many copper alloys, preventing them from being picked up on someone's hand and potentially spreading an infection. These hygienic materials are called 'antimicrobial copper'.

HOW IS IT USED?



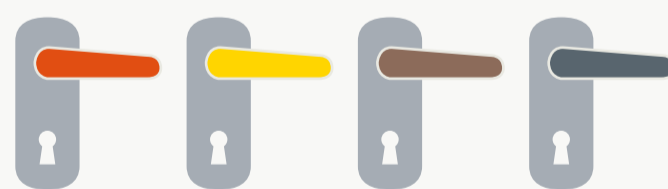
Surfaces people touch often – such as bed rails, door handles and taps – can be made from antimicrobial copper, which kills germs 24/7, in-between regular cleans. These solid materials won't wear away – unlike a coating – and continue working for the lifetime of the product.

DO ANTIMICROBIAL COPPER SURFACES NEED CLEANING?

Antimicrobial copper surfaces should be cleaned in the same way as non-copper surfaces. They will naturally darken over time, but this does not make them less effective – in fact, it enhances their germ-killing properties!



WHAT DO ANTIMICROBIAL COPPER SURFACES LOOK LIKE?



Copper alloys come in many different colours, from copper-red to bronze, golden brass and even copper-nickels that look like stainless steel. Whatever the colour, when you see antimicrobial copper, you're seeing a helping hand in the fight against infections.

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