

Table S1. Results of risk of bias assessment for studies evaluating antiseptics for blood culture collection.

Study	Randomisation	Allocation concealment	Blinding of intervention	Blinding of outcome assessment	Incomplete outcome data	Selective reporting	Study groups equal at baseline	Other bias	Ratings summary	Overall risk of bias
Mimoz et al. 1999 [16]	A	B	C	A	B	A	A	A	5 A, 2 B, 1 C	Low
Trautner et al. 2002 [17]	A	B	C	A	A	A	A	A	6 A, 1 B, 1 C	Low
Suwanpimolkul et al. 2008 [22]	B	B	C	A	B	A	B	C	2 A, 4 B, 2 C	Moderate
Washer et al. 2010 [24]	B	C	C	A	B	A	B	C	2 A, 3 B, 3 C	High

Notes. Bias rankings: A, low risk of bias; B, uncertain risk of bias; C, high risk of bias. The overall risk of bias was judged by the authors, taking into account the relative importance of the criteria.