Cleansing solutions should be at room temperature.

*Potable water* is water pure enough to be consumed or used with low risk of immediate or long term harm e.g. tap water. For private water supplies where quality cannot be guaranteed, we would suggest using NaCl 0.9%.

**Biofilm disrupting cleansing solution** has specific activity to breakdown or inhibit biofilm growth e.g. PHMB Polyhexanide and betaine is a polymer used as a wound cleanser.

**Wound Cleansing Pathway**

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