



Corrigendum: Irrigating Solutions and Activation Methods Used in Clinical Endodontics: A Systematic Review

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In the original article, there was a mistake in **Table 2**, as published. In the column “Main Outcome,” there were non-clear indications of outcomes. The corrected **Table 2** appears below.

Following the previous point, **Figure 2** has been updated. To avoid repeating data “Outcome,” already reported in **Table 2**, the authors modified **Figure 2**, which appears corrected below.

Following the previous points, the description in the original article has been updated. Two corrections have been made to section **Results**, subsection **Irrigating Solutions**. The corrected paragraphs appear below:

Rocas et al. [38] compared the effectiveness of 2% CHX with that of 2.5% NaOCl using a total volume of 15 mL for both irrigants but did not report the application time. In both groups, the mean number of bacterial cells decreased significantly after irrigation ($p < 0.01$). The rate of reduction in detectable bacteria was 40 and 44% in the treatment group (2% CHX) and in the control group (2.5% NaOCl), respectively. However, no statistically significant difference was observed upon comparing the mean number of bacterial cells between groups ($p > 0.05$) [38].

Zandi et al. [39] compared the effectiveness of 2% CHX with that of 1% NaOCl using a total volume of 10 mL for both irrigants but did not report the application time. In both groups, the mean number of bacterial cells decreased significantly after irrigation ($p < 0.01$), and the rate of reduction was higher than 99% (99.6% in the treatment group and 99.8% in the control group). However, no statistically significant difference was observed upon comparing the detectable bacteria between groups ($p > 0.05$).

The authors apologize for these errors and state that they do not change the scientific conclusions of the article in any way. The original article has been updated.

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TABLE 2 | Characteristics of the studies.

First author	Year	Objective	Participants	Tooth				
				Sample size	Type	Infectious status	Working length	Main outcomes
Malkhassian et al. [36]	2009	To assess the antibacterial efficacy of a final rinse with BioPure MTAD and intracanal medication with 2% CHX	30 (15 males, 15 females, mean age 51.9 years, age range 25–78)	30 (MTAD:15; Saline group: 15)	Single-rooted and multi-rooted teeth (only one root for patient was considered)	Apical periodontitis (primary treatment)	2 mm	Cultivable Bacteria (CFUs/mL) <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • MTAD: BT: $3.52 \times 10^5 \pm 5.83 \times 10^5$-AT: $6.04 \pm 1.13 \times 10^1$ • Saline: BT: $5.41 \times 10^4 \pm 1.04 \times 10^5$-AT: $6.66 \pm 1.01 \times 10^1$ • Comparison between groups: no statistically significant difference ($p > 0.05$)
Huffaker et al. [37]	2010	To evaluate the ability of a new passive sonic irrigation system (EndoActivator) and compare it with that of standard syringe irrigation	84 patients	84 (EndoActivator: 42; Needle irrigation: 42)	Not Reported	Apical periodontitis (primary treatment)	1 mm	Detectable bacteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 0.5% NaOCl activated with the EndoVac: AT: 25/42 teeth (60%) • 0.5% NaOCl without activation: AT: 27/42 teeth (52%) • Comparison between groups: no statistically significant difference ($p > 0.05$)
Rocas et al. [38]	2016	To compare the antibacterial effectiveness of 2.5% NaOCl and 2% CHX	50 patients (27 males, 23 females, mean age 29 years, age range: 13.52)	50 (2.5% NaOCl: 25; 2% CHX: 25)	Single-rooted teeth	Apical periodontitis (primary treatment)	3 mm	Detectable bacteria <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.5% NaOCl: 25/25 (100%) before treatment–11/25 (44%) after treatment • 2% CHX: 25/25 (100%) before treatment–10/25 (40%) after treatment • Comparison between groups: no statistically significant difference ($p > 0.05$) • Number of bacterial cells: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 2.5% NaOCl: BT: 1.43×10^4; AT: 5.49×10^2 ($p < 0.001$)–95.5% reduction • 2% CHX: BT: 8.77×10^4; AT: 2.81×10^3 ($p < 0.001$); 95.4% reduction • Comparison between groups: no statistically significant difference ($p > 0.05$)
Zandi et al. [39]	2016	To compare the antibacterial effects of 1% NaOCl and 2% CHX	49 (29 males, 20 females, mean age = 50, age range 21–91)	49 (NaOCl: 20; CHX: 29)	Single-rooted and multi-rooted teeth (only one root for patient was considered)	Apical periodontitis (secondary treatment)	1 mm	Detectable bacteria: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1% NaOCl: 7/20 positive • 2% CHX: 12/29 positive • No statistically significant difference between groups ($p > 0.05$) • Number of bacterial cells: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 1% NaOCl: BT: 7.96×10^4-AT: 2.95×10^2 ($p < 0.01$)–99.6% reduction • 2% CHX: BT: 5.37×10^5-AT: 1.10×10^3 ($p < 0.01$)–99.8% reduction

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TABLE 2 | Continued

First author	Year	Objective	Participants	Tooth				
				Sample size	Type	Infectious status	Working length	Main outcomes
Ballal et al. [40]	2019	To assess whether dual rinse HEDP alter the clinical efficacy of NaOCl or adds any untoward clinical effects	60 (35 males, 25 females, age range 18–65 years)	60 (HEDP: 30; NaOCl alone: 30)	Single-rooted and multi-rooted teeth (only one root for patient was considered)	Asymptomatic apical periodontitis (primary treatment)	Determined using an electronic apex locator	Detectable bacteria • HEDP: BT: 30/30–AT: 15/30 • 2.5% NaOC: BT: 30/30–AT: 12/30 (40%) • Comparison between groups after treatment: no statistically significant difference ($p > 0.05$)
Ballal et al. [41]	2020	To compare four NaOCl irrigation activation systems	80 (50 males, 30 females, mean age 41)	80 (PUI: 20; F-file: 20; XP-endo finisher: 20; Needle irrigation: 20)	Single-rooted and multi-rooted teeth (only one root for patient was considered)	Asymptomatic apical periodontitis with and without periapical lesions	Determined using radiographs and an apex locator	Cultivable Bacteria (CFUs/mL) • XP-endo Finisher: BT: median: 12.20; sd: 45.87–AT: median: 0.008; sd: 0.0001 • Needle irrigation: BT: median: 12.40; sd: 9.2–AT: median: 1.09, sd: 3.56 • F-files: BT: median: 20.65, sd: 69.23–AT: median: 0.34, sd: 4.72 • Ultrasonic: BT: median: 44.82, sd: 16.60–AT: median: 0.0055; sd: 0.032
Orozco et al. [42]	2020	To evaluate the effectiveness of passive ultrasonic irrigation compared to conventional needle irrigation	20 (10 females, 10 males)	20 (PUI: 10; Needle irrigation: 10)	Single-rooted and multi-rooted teeth (only one root for patient was considered)	Primary endodontic infection	1 mm	Cultivable Bacteria (CFUs/mL) • PUI: BT: $25.8 \times 10^5 \pm 4.70 \times 10^5$ -AT: 42 ± 119 • Needle irrigation: BT: $2.31 \times 10^5 \pm 4.70 \times 10^5$ -AT: $1.76 \times 10^3 \pm 3.31 \times 10^3$ • Comparison between groups after treatment: no statistically significant difference ($p > 0.05$)

AT, After Treatment; BT, before treatment; PUI, Passive Ultrasonic Irrigation.

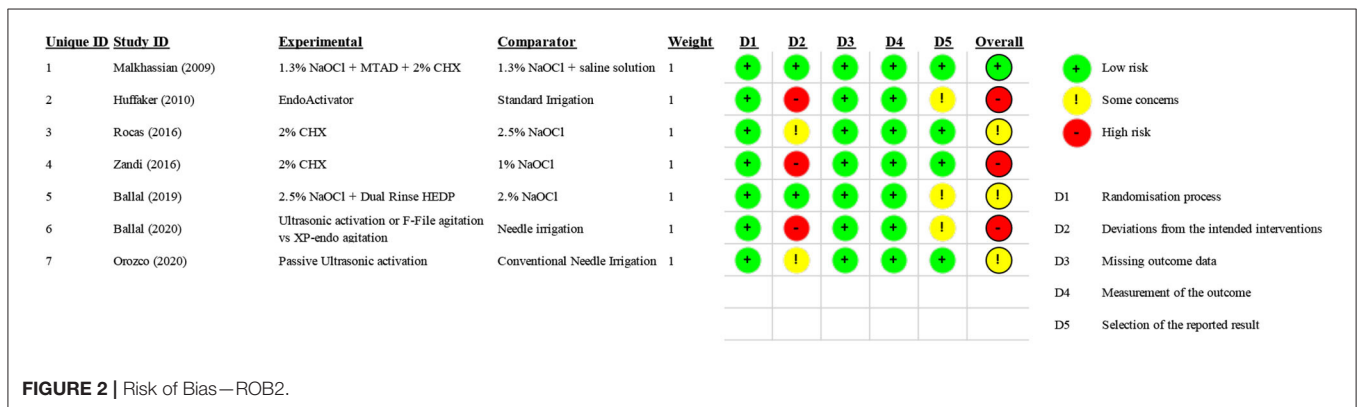


FIGURE 2 | Risk of Bias—ROB2.