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## RE: Use of chromoendoscopy dyes in Olympus flexible endoscopes

Dear Healthcare Professional,

This letter is in response to your recent inquiry regarding the use of chromoendoscopy dyes, including methylene blue and indigo carmine, with Olympus flexible endoscopes.

Olympus recommends the use of a spray catheter for spraying dye into the digestive tract. In addition, it is recommended to flush the channels of the endoscope with copious volumes of water during the precleaning procedure in order to mitigate the possibility of lumen staining.

Staining of the endoscope due to the use of chromoendoscopy dyes has not been shown to pose a patient safety risk or infection control issue. Please note that staining or damage to the endoscope due to the use of these dyes will not be repaired under any Olympus service contract.

If you have any additional questions, please contact your local Olympus sales representative or the Olympus Technical Assistance Center at 1-800-848-9024 (United States) or 1-800-387-0437 (Canada).

Sincerely,

Olympus