

PURELL 101
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INTERIOR blank white room. A professional woman, DIANE, sits in a scientific-looking white room at a table.

DIANE
We are in a war. A war against germs.

Diane smashes a model of a bacterium. She has a huge smile.

DIANE
And we at Purell are always striving to
murder more microbes. 99.99%
effectiveness? Not good enough, soldier.

Diane pulls out a new bottle of purell. The liquid inside is swirling black, like the night sky but more dubious.

DIANE
Introducing the best weapon in our
arsenal. Purell one-oh-one. That's right,
this new Purell destroys 101% of all
bacteria and viruses. How is this
possible, you might ask? Purell 101 first
kills every single germ. For extra
measure, it revives 1% of them and kills
them again. Just for fun.

CUT TO:

INT. a lab. Scientists are running various experiments: distilling chemicals, pouring chemicals into other chemicals to make new chemicals. A man shoots a petri dish. One group has trapped a small black hole and is poking it with a syringe.

DIANE (V.O.)
Our dedicated scientists have worked
tirelessly to make the nuclear bomb of
hand sanitizers. By harvesting dark matter
we are able to destroy bacteria at their
most basic level: its atoms.

CUT TO:

The white room. A regular man, JIM, is using the hand sanitizer.

JIM

I was so worried for my health. 99.99% just isn't enough to protect me and my family. Purell 101 definitely kills all germs. How do I know this? Because it killed all of my tissue too!

Jim reveals his hands have been dissolved to the bone. He has skeleton hands.

CUT TO:

A MOM with her daughter, SANDY in the room. The mom is applying the sanitizer to her daughter.

SANDY

Mommy, it burns!

MOM

The pain means it's working, baby.

DIANE

Pain is necessary in WAR, small child.
(to camera) Unfortunately Germs are too small to kill with your bare hands. With weaponized dark matter, we can finally be free from them once and for all.

CUT TO:

DIANE is wearing soldier gear. She holds a super soaker filled with purell and blasts people with them.

DIANE (V.O)

No need to sing happy birthday with this handwash. Other hand sanitizers were in trench wars. Welcome to the nuclear age. Purell 101; Available in camo.

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