Electrostatic Filters & HMEFs







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The need for heat and moisture

In patients undergoing artificial ventilation, cold and dry respiratory gases remove heat and moisture from the airways, leading to a series of functional and anatomic alterations. In order to minimise the adverse consequences of these alterations during prolonged artificial ventilation, adequate humidification must be provided to intubated patients. Passive heat and moisture exchangers (HMEs) represent a simple and effective way to replace one of the most important upper airway functions; they retain the heat and moisture of expired air and return it to the inspired gases. As the nasal cavities normally play a very active role in this conditioning, HMEs have also been called "artificial noses".







Humidification and filtration

The best way to provide humidity and protect patient, medical staff and equipment from cross contamination risks is to combine an HME element with an efficient bacterial/viral filter (HMEF). In this way, the gases administered to the patient are not only warmed and humidified, but the patient is also protected against microbial contamination.

The following diagrams illustrate how HMEFs work.



During expiration, the heat and water vapour coming from the patient are retained by the HME element.



During the following inspiration, heat and water are then available to warm and humidify the inspired gases.

DAR HMEFs are equipped with a cellulose humidifying element, specifically processed to maximise its surface area in contact with the respiratory gases. This gives outstanding results in terms of HME performance.

The electrostatic filter membrane





The filter membrane is made of a hydrophobic non-woven polypropylene material, the fibres of which have a permanent bipolar electrical charge induced upon them during manufacture. The mechanism of electrostatic filtration can be likened to magnetism, with opposites attracting each other.

Each fibre (see above) has a bipolar charge positive (+) on one side and negative (-) on the other.

Bacteria and viruses have a superficial electrical charge and these are attracted to oppositely charged sites on the fibres and trapped within the filter membrane.

DAR was the first manufacturer to develop an

efficient HMEF by coupling a high moisture output element with an electrostatic filter membrane.

The name of this device is Hygrobac.

From this first and innovative product, DAR has developed a series of products that define the state-of-the-art in the field of heat and moisture exchange technology.

An important aspect of the DAR product line is the diversification of the HME/filter models to suit the end-user requirements.

The DAR range of HMEFs has been tailored to meet the specific needs of both anaesthesia and intensive care.







Quality Assurance and Control

The DAR range of electrostatic filter and HMEFs combines innovation and efficiency with exceptional reliability, the result of excellent design and high standards of quality control.

The DAR Quality System meets all recognised quality assurance standards. The control procedures are perfectly consolidated and the personnel assigned to such procedures have acquired a truly unique experience. DAR Quality System procedures involve an extensive series of controls in every stage of electrostatic filter production.

Besides the frequent controls made on raw materials, on semi-finished and finished products, each filter undergoes integrity testing at a pressure of 100 cm H₂O in order to detect any leaks or weak points. The devices, manufactured and packaged in stringently controlled clean rooms, undergo a sterilisation process ensuring extremely high and reliable (SAL, Sterility Assurance Level >10⁶) sterility standards for each production lot.

Finally, further packaging tests ensure these products remain sterile and maintain performance and functionality for the entire period of validity printed on the packaging.

DAR medical devices bear the **C** Mark according to MDD 93/42/EEC (European Council Directive concerning CE marking of medical devices), which allows their free circulation in the EEC. DAR products are manufactured and released according to the Company's procedures, under the control of the implemented Quality System. The MALLINCKRODT DAR Quality System complies with recognised quality management and quality assurance standards: it is certified according to EN ISO 9001 & EN 46001 (Cert. Q1 98 11 22524 011, dtd. 26/11/98), ISO 9001 & ISO 13485 (Cert. Q1 98 11 22524 010, dtd. 26/11/98), Annex II.3 (Cert. G1 98 11 22524 009, dtd. 26/11/98) and Annex V (Cert. G2S 98 11 22524 008, dtd. 26/11/98); furthermore, the manufacturing facilities are regularly inspected by USA/FDA and by EC/TÜV p.s. (acting as MDD Notified Body #0123 and Quality System Certification Body).



Test Centers

The filtration efficiency of DAR Filters and HMEFs has been tested by independent laboratories, in order to prove their efficiency with recognised testing procedures (see references).

FILTRATION			
EFFICIENCY ELECTROSTATIC FILTERS & HMEFS		Filtration efficiency (%) Airborne particles (Bacterial = B - Viral = V)	Filtration efficiency (%) Liquid borne particles
	Hygrobac	Data from Nelson Lab. >99.99 Staphylococcus aureus (B) ¹ >99.99 Bacteriophage Φx174 (V) ² Data from Institut Fresenius ³ >99.999 Pseudomonas aeruginosa (B) >99.99 Staphylococcus aureus (B) Data from Borghi >99.9999 Staphylococcus rosaceus (B) ⁴ >99.9999 MS-2 bacteriophage (V) ⁵ 99.9999 HSV (V) ⁶ Data from Hygiene-Institut der Universität Graz ⁷ >99.999 Micrococcus luteus (B) Data from Holton/Webb ⁸ >99.999 Serratia marcescens (B) >99.99 Bacteriophage MS-2 (V)	Data from CAMR ⁹ 100% Hepatitis C Virus Filter prevents transfer of HCV
	Hygrobac S Hygrobac S-A	Data from Nelson Lab. >99.99 Staphylococcus aureus (B) ¹⁰ >99.99 Bacteriophage Φ x174 (V) ¹¹ Data from Institut Fresenius ¹² >99.997 Pseudomonas aeruginosa (B) >99.9 Staphylococcus aureus (B) Data from IKI ¹³ 100% Mycobacterium tuberculosis (B)	Data from CAMR 100% Hepatitis C Virus ¹⁴ Filter prevents transfer of HCV 100% HIV-1 ¹⁵ Filter prevents passage of HIV-1
	Hygroboy	Data from Institut Fresenius ¹⁶ >99.999 Pseudomonas aeruginosa (B) >99.998 Staphylococcus aureus (B) Data from Borghi >99.9997 Staphylococcus rosaceus (B) ⁴ >99.997 Micrococcus luteus (B) ¹⁷ >99.997 MS-2 bacteriophage (V) ¹⁷	
	Hygrobaby Barrierbaby	Data from Institut Fresenius ¹⁸ >99.996 Pseudomonas aeruginosa (B) >99.995 Staphylococcus aureus (B) Data from Borghi >99.998 Staphylococcus rosaceus (B) ⁴ >99.999 Micrococcus luteus (B) ¹⁷ >99.994 MS-2 bacteriophage (V) ¹⁷	
	Barrierbac	Data from Nelson Lab. >99.99 Staphylococcus aureus $(B)^{19}$ >99.99 Bacteriophage Φ x174 $(V)^{20}$ Data from Borghi >99.9999 Staphylococcus rosaceus $(B)^{4.5}$ >99.997 MS-2 bacteriophage $(V)^5$ >99.9999 HSV ⁶	
	Barrierbac S Barrierbac S-A	Data from Nelson Lab. >99.99 Staphylococcus aureus (Β) ²¹ >99.99 Bacteriophage Φx174 (V) ²²	Data from CAMR ²³ 100% Hepatitis C Virus Filter prevents transfer of HCV

Note: For references 1-23 see backpage.





Hygrobac

Hygrobac offers a high level of microbial filtration for patient and staff safety and an exceptional moisture output for effective airway humidification.

The resistance to air flow is low, for safe use in any ventilation technique.

Hygrobac S Hygrobac S-A

Combining a good filtration efficiency and moisture output with a reduced dead space, Hygrobac S is the filter/HME of choice in most cases. Available in a number of pre-assembled configurations.

It is now also available in an angled version.

31.4 mg/l

30.6 mg/l

30.1 mg/l

29.3 ma/l

>99.99%

>99 99%

24 hrs

31.3 mg/l

30.7 mg/l

30.2 mg/l

29.2 mg/l



Hvarobac



Hygrobac S



Hygrobac S-A

Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE)*		>99.999%	Bacterial Filtration Efficience	Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE)*	
Viral Filtration Efficiency (VFE)**		>99.9999%	Viral Filtration Efficiency (V	FE)*	
Moisture output ***			Moisture output **		
Tidal Vol	2 hrs	24 hrs	Tidal Vol	2 hrs	
VT 250 ml	23.0 ma/l	23.0 mg/l	VT 250 ml	21/m	
VT E00 ml	22.2 mg/l	22.7 mg/l	VT E00 ml	20.4 mg	
VT 1000 ml	33.3 Mg/I	32.7 mg/i	VT 300 ml	20.0 110	
VT 1000 mi	32.4 mg/i	31.8 mg/i	VT 750 mi	30.1 mg	
T + * * *			VT 1000 mi	29.3 mg	
Iemperature output					
Tidal Vol.	2 hrs	24 hrs	Temperature output **		
VT 250 ml	32.0°C	31.9°C	Tidal Vol.	2 hrs	
VT 500 ml	32.1°C	31.8°C	VT 250 ml	31.0°C	
VT 1000 ml	32.2°C	31.9°C	VT 500 ml	30.9°C	
			VT 750 ml	30.6°C	
Relative Humidity during in	nspiration pha	Ise****	VT 1000 ml	30.2°C	
······································	92 - 98% at 3	32°C			
	72 7070 are	2 0	Relative Humidity during in	spiratio	
Resistance to flow after 24	hrs use ***			92 - 989	
at 30 l/min	0.9 cm H ₂ O			/2 /0/	
at 60 l/min	2.1 cm H ₂ O		Resistance to flow (ISO 936	50)	
at 00 l/min	2.1 cm H O		at 20 l/min	10 cm	
	3.5 CITI H ₂ O			1.0 CIII I	
	00		at 60 l/min	2.5 cm	
Compressible volume	92 mi		at 90 i/min	4.7 cm	
Weight	50 g				
Type of filtration	Electrostatic		Compressible Volume (ISO	9360)	
Filtration surface	43 cm ²				
Connections	22M/15F - 22	F/15M ISO	Weight		
	Luer-lock cap	onograph port			
Single use	Not to be cleaned.		Type of filtration	Electros	
5	sterilised and	d/or reused	51		
Sterile	Sterilised by	FTO	Filtration surface	23 cm^2	
Max sterile life	5 vears	210		20 0111	
Pecommended use	single-nation	nt only	Moisture exchange surface	<1100 c	
Decommended avela	single-patier	it only	Moisture exchange surface	/1100 0	
Intensive Care	up to 24 bro		Connections	221/1/15	
Intensive care:	up to 24 ms		Connections	2211/13	
Anaestnesia:	single-patier	10		Luer-loo	
			Single use	Not to I	
				sterilise	
		204	Sterile	Sterilise	
^Institut Fresenius, Ref. 941M10	09210, 12 Dec. 19	994. Fill III 45 C	Max. sterile life	5 years	
Borgni v. et al., "Bacterial removal efficiency of Filters-HME for		Filters-HIVIE for	Recommended use	Single-	
Italica 13 Suppl 1 93-07 1002	11 24-HOUL LESTS	, AUIA AHAESIII.		(> 20 kc	
"Comparative evaluation of the	bacteria and vir	rus removal	Recommended cycle		
efficiency of filters used in anae	esthesia and inte	ensive care"	Intensive Care:	up to 2	
Acta Anaesth. Italica, 1990.			Anaesthesia	single-r	
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effic Acta Anaesth. Italica, 1990. **Borghi V. et al., "Efficiency of virus remotion in Barrierbac

and Hygrobac filters membrane by Darex", 1988. ***Wilkes T., Technical Evaluation Report No. 930001, University of Wales College of Medicine, Cardiff, 1993. ****Conti G. et al., Acta Anaesth. Italica 1988, 4, 39:417-421.

Temperature output ** Tidal Vol. 2 hrs 24 hrs VT 250 ml 31.0°C 31.0°C VT 500 ml 30.9°C 31.2°C VT 750 ml 30.6°C 30.4°C VT 1000 ml 30.2°C 30.1°C Relative Humidity during inspiration phase 92 - 98% at 31°C Resistance to flow (ISO 9360) at 30 l/min 1.0 cm H₂O at 60 l/min $2.5 \text{ cm H}_{2}^{-}\text{O}$ 4.7 cm H₂O at 90 l/min

Compressible Volume (ISO 9360) 45 ml Weight 30 q Type of filtration Electrostatic Filtration surface 23 cm² Moisture exchange surface >1100 cm²

> 22M/15E - 22E/15M ISO Luer-lock capnograph port Not to be cleaned. sterilised and/or reused Sterilised by ETO 5 years Single-patient only (> 20 kg)

up to 24 hrs single-patient

*Nelson Laboratories Inc. - Salt Lake City, USA. **ISO draft 9360 test method.



Hvarobov



Hygrobaby / Barrierbaby

Hygroboy is a small volume filter for use on children.

It offers the same advantages of higher volume HMEFs, but the reduced dead space makes it suitable for use on paediatric patients.

Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE)	*
>99.99	%

Hygroboy

Viral Filtration Efficiency (VFE)* >99 99%

Moisture output VT 250 ml

Temperature output VT 250 ml

2 hrs 31.6°C

2 hrs

32.3 mg/l

0.6 cm H₂O

1.0 cm H₂O $1.4 \text{ cm H}_{2}^{-}\text{O}$

Electrostatic

22M/15F - 22F/15M ISO Luer-lock capnograph port

Not to be cleaned. sterilised and/or reused

Sterilised by ETO

Single-patient only (VT 75-300 ml)

under clinician's judgement, up to 24 hrs

single-patient

19 cm²

5 years

26 ml

21 g

Relative Humidity during inspiration phase 93 ÷ 97% at 32°C

Resistance to flow at 10 l/min at 15 l/min at 20 l/min

Compressible Volume (ISO 9360) Weight Type of filtration Filtration surface Connections

Single use

Sterile Max. sterile life Recommended use

Recommended cycle Intensive Care:

Anaesthesia:

*Institut Fresenius, Examination of the breathing system filter Hygroboy concerning the efficiency in bacteria retention, (Report 93/08696-00), 1993. Borghi V. et al., Bacterial Removal Efficiency of Filters-HME for Anaesthesia and Intensive Care in 24-hour tests, Acta Anaesth. Italica, 43, Suppl. 1, 93-97, 1992. Borghi V., Report on tests on bacteria and virus retention capacity of the Hygroboy and Hygrobaby filters, 1993. **Borghi V., Report on tests on bacteria and virus retention capacity of the Hygroboy and Hygrobaby filters, 1993.

Hygrobaby **Barrierbaby**

Hygrobaby is a simple and effective solution in patients with a tidal volume between 25-100 ml, undergoing short term intubation. It eliminates risks of cross contamination and allows the use of a simple breathing system. Barrierbaby is the electrostatic filter version of Hygrobaby, specifically designed for short anaesthesia treatments.

Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE)* >99.99%

/iral Filtration Efficiency (V	FE)**
	>99.99%

Moisture output

/T	25 ml	27.7	mg/l
/T	50 ml	27.5	mg/l

Temperature output

30.2°C

Resistance to flow (cm H ₂ O)	Hygrobaby (***)	Barrierbaby (****)		
at 5 l/min	0.7	0.6		
at 7.5 l/min	1.2	0.9		
at 10 l/min	1.9	1.3		
Compressible Volume (ISO	9360)			
	10 ml	10 ml		
Weight	9 g	8 g		
Type of filtration	Electrostatic			
Filtration surface	10 cm ²			
Connections	8M/15M-15F ISO			
	Luer-lock capr	nograph port		
Single use	Not to be cleaned,			
	sterilised and	or reused		
Sterile	Sterilised by ETO			
Max. sterile life	5 years			
Recommended use	Single-patient only			
	(VT 25-100 ml)		
Recommended cycle				
ntensive Care:	under clinicia	n's		
	judgement, u	o to 24 hrs		
Anaesthesia:	single-patient			

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Barrierbac

Barrierbac S Barrierbac S-A

When a simple and efficient filter is needed, Barrierbac and Barrierbac S are cost effective solutions. They differ only in size and their round shape makes handling easier and minimises the risk of patient harm. They are an excellent choice for short term anaesthesia treatments. Barrierbac S is now also available in an angled version.



Barrierbac



Barrierbac S



Barrierbac S-A

Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE)* >99.999%

Viral Filtration Efficiency (VFE)** >99 9999%

Resistance to flow (ISO 9360) at 30 l/min 0.65 cm H₂O at 60 l/min 1.55 cm H₂O at 90 l/min 2.80 cm H₂O

Compressible Volume (ISO 9360) 99 ml

Weight 35 g Type of filtration Electrostatic

Filtration surface 43 cm²

Connections 22M/15F - 22F/15M ISO

> Not to be cleaned, sterilised and/or reused

> > Sterilised by ETO

At inspiratory and

expiratory ports

of ventilators. Patient side circuit

5 years

Sterile

Single use

Max. sterile life

Anaesthesia:

Recommended use

Recommended cycle

Equipment side: up to 24 hrs single-patient Bacterial Filtration Efficiency (BFE)* >99.99%

Viral Filtration Efficiency (VFE)* >99 99%

Resistance to flow (ISO 9360) 0.7 cm H₂O at 30 l/min at 60 l/min 1.8 cm H₂O at 90 l/min 3.6 cm H₂O

Electrostatic

22M/15F - 22F/15M ISO

sterilised and/or reused

Not to be cleaned,

Sterilised by ETO

At inspiratory and

expiratory ports

Only patient side

of ventilators

up to 24 hrs

single-patient

23 cm²

5 years

Compressible Volume (ISO 9360) 35 ml Weight 19 g

Type of filtration

Filtration surface

Connections

Single use

Sterile

Max. sterile life

Recommended use straight version

angled version

Recommended cycle Equipment side: Anaesthesia:

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*Nelson Laboratories Inc. - Salt Lake City, USA

Hygrobac	B	Connections	REF	Pack	Note	
		22F/15M-22M/15F 22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5411 352/5805	25 25	with CO_2 port with CO_2 port	
		Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5802	25	330/5109	inserted
	A A	Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5811	25	331/5390	inserted
	ß	Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5836	25	332/5666	catheter with red cap
Hygrobac S		Connections	REF	Pack	Note	
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5877	25	with CO ₂ port	
		Connections	REF	Pack	Note	
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5996	25	with CO_2 port	
		Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5978	25	330/5337	inserted
	les a	Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5893	25	331/5661	inserted
		Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	352/5855	25	332/5666	catheter with red cap
Hygroboy		Connections	REF	Pack	Note	
		22F/15M-22M/15F	355/5430	25	with CO_2 port	
		Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	355/5814	25	331/5353	
		Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note
		22F/15M-22M/15F	355/5884	25	620/5173	inserted

Note: All the above products are supplied sterile.





	Connections	REF	Pack	Note		Hygrobaby
	8M/15M-15F	355/5427	25	with CO ₂ port		
	Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note	
	8M/15M-15F	355/5916	50	adapter 22m	inserted reducer	
A	Connections	REF	Pack	Note		Barrierbac
	22F/15M/15F	350/5865	25	without CO ₂ port		
ß	Connections	REF	Pack	Note		
	22F/15M-22M/15F	350/5422	25	with CO ₂ port		
All A	Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note	
	22F/15M-22M/15F	350/5924	25	608/5093	inserted	
	Connections	REF	Pack	Note		Barrierbac S
	22F/15M/15F	350/5845	25	with CO ₂ port		
	Connections	REF	Pack	Note		
	22F/15M-22M/15F	350S19006	25	with CO ₂ port		
	Connections	REF	Pack	Note		
	22F/15M-22M/15F	350/5879	25	with CO_2 port		
	Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note	
	22F/15M-22M/15F	350/5882	25	332/5666	catheter with red cap	
٦h	Connections	REF	Pack	Catheter/Connector	Note	
	22F/15M-22M/15F	350/5420	25	620/5173	inserted	
	Connections	REF	Pack	Note		Barrierbaby
	8M/15M-15F	350/19003	25	with CO ₂ port		

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