

Summary:

Modern medical devices include increasingly sophisticated and delicate components. This test is designed to evaluate the effect of an EOGas and Anprolene sterilization cycle on the functionality of a laptop computer. An abnormally high quantity of gas was used for each cycle to create a worst case. Back to back Anprolene and EOGas cycles were preformed on the same laptop. NOTE: Battery was removed and wrapped separately prior to each cycle.

Materials:



- Dell Inspiron Laptop Model: PP05L
- 2. AN74i Sterilizer
- 3. EOGas 333 Sterilizer
- 4. AN71 Bag
- 5. 2 AN79 Ampoules
- 6. Biological Indicators
- 7. AN87/1087 Dosimeters
- 8. AN1005 Bag
- 9. 2 AN1005 Cartridges
- 10. CSR Wrap
- 11. Humidichip
- 12. Humiditube

Method:

Anprolene Cycle

- 1. The battery from the Dell computer was removed and wrapped in CSR wrap.
- The laptop, wrapped battery, AN87 Dosimeter, Biological Indicator, Humidichip within a Humiditube and two (2) AN79 Ampoules were placed within an AN71 Bag. NOTE: The AN71 bag is normally used with a 5 gram ampoule of EO. Two AN79 ampoules represent 35 grams of EO, or 700% more gas than a normal cycle.
- 3. The bag was loaded into an AN74i Sterilizer and a 12 hour sterilization cycle was completed.
- 4. Upon completion of the sterilization cycle the biological indicator was incubated for seven (7) days and the computer was tested for functionality.

EOGas Cycle

- 1. The battery from the Dell computer was removed and wrapped in CSR wrap.
- 2. The laptop, wrapped battery, AN1087 Dosimeter, Biological Indicator, Humidichip within a Humiditube and two (2) AN1005 Cartridges were placed within an AN1005 Bag. NOTE: The AN1005 bag is normally used with a single 1005 (4 gram) cartridge of EO. Two AN1005 cartridges represent 8 grams of EO, or 200% more gas than a normal cycle.
- 3. The bag was loaded into an EOGas 333 Sterilizer and a 16 hour sterilization cycle was completed.
- 4. Upon completion of the sterilization cycle the biological indicator was incubated for seven (7) days and the computer was tested for functionality.

Data:

Table 1. Dosimeter Results.

| Cycle | Pass (Y/N) |
|-----------|------------|
| Anprolene | Υ |
| EOGas | Υ |

Table 2. Biological Indicator Results After Seven (7) Days.

| Cycle | Pos/Neg |
|-----------|---------|
| Anprolene | Neg |
| EOGas | Neg |

Table 3. Functionality of Computer.

| Cycle | Pass (Y/N) |
|-----------|------------|
| Anprolene | Υ |
| EOGas | Υ |

Conclusion:

Andersen study, PR0804-17: full diagnostics and functionality testing at the conclusion of each sterilization cycle indicated that the laptop's performance had not been impaired.