

Product Catalog

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VisiClear[®] Surgical Smoke Evacuator

VisiClear[®] is our most advanced acute care offering for surgical smoke evacuation. Combining Safeport Technology[™], an occlusion warning, filter life tracking, and one-touch programmable procedure modes for open tubing, electrosurgical pencil, and laparoscopic procedures, VisiClear effectively captures and filters surgical smoke, particulates and other potentially hazardous by-products. The filter contains activated carbon known to adsorb gases.

Product Features & Benefits

Procedure Operating Modes

One of three operating modes (Laparoscopic, Open Tubing, and Electrosurgical Pencil Mode) can easily be selected, automatically customizing filter life based on surgical procedure.

Advanced Sound Control Design

Whisper Technology[™] ensures ultra-quiet operation with unprecedented sound quality.

Sleek Shelf Design

Ergonomically designed to accommodate stacking.

Occlusion Warning

Safety feature that alerts medical personnel when an occlusion has occurred.

Intuitive Color Touch Screen

Easy to use, requires minimal training, and can be operated with gloved hand.

Unique Sliding Port Closure

SafePort Technology[™] ensures reduced risk of staff coming in contact with a contaminated port.

Technical Information

Flow Rates*	30 cfm (839 lpm) using 7/8 in
Dimensions (H x W x D)	7.1 in x 13.9 in 16.1 in (18.0 cm x 35.4 cm x 40.9 cm
Noise Levels*	@ minimum power < 43 dBA @ maximum power < 55 dBA
Weight	With filter installed: 17.5 lbs (7 Without filter installed: 14.5 lb
Warranty	Three (3) Year Full Warranty

Made in USA

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Number
100/120 Volt Systems 220/240 Volt Systems (includes one filter and one footswitch)	VC120 VC220
100/120 Volt Systems 220/240 Volt Systems (includes one footswitch)	VC120NF VC220NF
Filter Ordering Information	Catalog Number
ViroSafe® VisiClear® Filter	VS135 Series
Filter Life	18, 21, 35 hours (depending on the n

*Nominal values



ViroVac[®] Surgical Smoke Evacuator

ViroVac[®] surgical smoke evacuator provides ideal flow for physician offices and outpatient surgery centers. It combines customizable (variable) filter life, a compact shelf design, 3-port filter with filter life tracking technology, while exceeding expectations for value and efficacy.



Product Features & Benefits

Compact Design

Allows for easy placement on shelf or counter and accommodates stackability.

Patented 3-Port Filter Design

Versatile 3-port filter design features covered, hidden male ports and accommodates a variety of tubing sizes providing versatility in procedure and accessory setup.

Variable Filter Life (up to 35 hours)

Delivers unsurpassed value and reduces per procedure costs.

Simple LED Display

Two button design (motor speed and on/standby) makes this system extremely easy to operate.

Covered Filter Ports

Filter ports are covered for additional safety.

Quiet Operation

Addresses noise concerns.

Technical Information

Flow Rates*	25 cfm (708 lpm) using 7/8 in (22 mm) tubing	
Dimensions (H x W x D)	6 in x 11 in x 15.5 in (15.2 cm x 27.9 cm x 39.4 cm)	
Noise Levels*	@ maximum power < 55 dBa	
Weight	With filter installed: 12.0 lbs (5.0 kg) Without filter installed: 9.5 lbs (4.0 kg)	
Warranty	One (1) Year Full Warranty	
Made in USA		
Product Ordering Informatio	n Catalog Number	
100/120 Volt Systems 220/240 Volt Systems (includes one filter and one foot	VV120 VV220 switch)	
100/120 Volt Systems 220/240 Volt Systems (includes one footswitch)	VV120NF VV220NF	

(depending on flow rate)

Filter Ordering InformationCatalog NumberViroSafe® ViroVac® FilterVS353 SeriesFilter Life18, 24, 35 hours

*Nominal values



Pneumatic Footswitch

(included)

EZLink[®] (sold separately; catalog #: EZLINK01)



ViroSafe® Fluid Trap (sold separately; catalog #: VSFT10)

PlumeSafe® Turbo

Surgical Smoke Evacuator

PlumeSafe® Turbo is a powerful portable surgical smoke evacuator designed with sufficient flow for the aesthetic market. It features turbo suction power, an interactive LCD display and filter tracking technology. It can easily be placed on a counter, shelf, floor or other location convenient to the operative area.

Product Features & Benefits

Turbo Mode

Significantly increases the airflow to quickly remove smoke from the surgical site.

Interactive LCD Display

Our interactive display puts information at your fingertips. Multiple languages are included, adding to the unit's versatility.

Adjustable Flow Control Suction setting can easily be adjusted in 10% increments.

Filter Tracking Technology

Automatically tracks and records filter life through a patented technology.

Quiet Operation Addresses noise concerns.

	Technical Information		
	Flow Rates*	· ·	1923 lpm) using 1–1/4 i 1257 lpm) using 7/8 in
	Dimensions (H x W x D)	13.5 in x 8 in x 17 in (34 cm x 20 cm x 43 cm)	
	Noise Levels*	@ maximum power < 58 dBA	
	Weight	With filter installed: 16.9 lbs (7.0 Without filter installed: 14.0 lbs	
	Warranty	Three (3) Year Full Warranty	
Made in USA			
	Product Ordering Informatio	n	Catalog Number
	100/120 Volt 50/60 Hz 220/240 Volt 50/60 Hz (includes one footswitch; filter separately)	sold	PSWTURBO AS PSWTURBO AS/220
	Filter Ordering Information		Catalog Number

Filter Ordening information	Catalog Nulliber
PlumeSafe® Turbo Replacement Filters	VS06, VSXLL, VSX and VSVET Series
Filter Life	6-24 hours depend

*Nominal values



ViroSafe[®] Fluid Trap (sold separately; catalog #: VSFT10)

Porta PlumeSafe[®] 604

Surgical Smoke Evacuator

Porta PlumeSafe® 604 is an ideal surgical smoke evacuator for veterinarian and non-acute care settings where moderate flow is needed. The unit is portable, easy to use, and features patented technology to track filter life.

Product Features & Benefits

Lightweight & Portable

Allows for easy transport or tabletop use.

LED Display Indicates filter life and suction power.

Adjustable Flow Control Suction setting can easily be adjusted in 10% increments.

Filter Tracking Technology

Automatically tracks and records filter life through a patented technology.

Quiet Operation

Addresses noise concerns.

Technical Information		
Flow Rates*	48 cfm (1358 lpm) using 1–1/4 in (32 mm) tubing 36 cfm (1019 lpm) using 7/8 in (22 mm) tubing	
Dimensions (H x W x D)	10 in x 6.5 in x 18 in (25 cm x 17 cm x 46 cm)	
Noise Levels*	@ maximum power < 59 dBA	
Weight	With filter installed: 22.0 lbs (9.0 kg) Without filter installed: 18.6 lbs (8.0 kg)	
Warranty	One (1) Year Full Warranty	
Made in USA		
Product Ordering Information	on Catalog Number	
100/120 Volt 50/60 Hz (includes one footswitch; filter separately)	PPS604 r sold	
Filter Ordering Information	Catalog Number	
Porta PlumeSafe® 604 Replac Filters	cement VS06, VSXLL, VSXLLT, VSEY, VSOH, and VSVET Series	

6-24 hours depending on model

*Nominal values

Filter Life



Pneumatic Footswitch (included)

PlumePen® Ultra

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Pencils & Pencil Adapters

No matter the surgical procedure, PlumePen® Ultra is up to the challenge. An addition to the PlumePen portfolio, Ultra offers a telescopic capture port with an advanced swivel design that will delight the surgeon with superior hand movement and less wrist drag. The Cam Lock System assures secure positioning allowing for precise application of energy to targeted tissue while removing hazardous surgical smoke.

Product Features & Benefits

Telescopic Capture Port with Enclosed Blade

Blade moves in unison with capture port affording versatility in any surgical situation. Integrated design eliminates need for blade replacement saving time and money.

Cam Lock System

Prevents capture port movement during surgery. Audible click upon activation/deactivation of locking mechanism.

Responsive, Multi-Directional Swivel Unique, floating ball joint design allows unrestricted hand movement.

Integrated Wire/Tubing Management

Ultra-light, PVC free, flexible tubing aids in reducing wrist pull and hand fatigue.

Slender, Textured Profile

Improves surgeons grip.

Simple Connectivity 7/8 in (22 mm) cuff.

Telescopic Capture Port

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Extends up to 5.3 in (135 mm)

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Nur
PlumePen Ultra (Non-Stick ESU Blade)	PLPUL2020
Includes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 10 ft (3 m) hose/tubing &	7/8 in (22 mm
PlumePen Ultra (Non-Stick ESU Blade)	PLPUL2520
Includes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 15 ft (4.6 m) hose/tubi adapter.	ing & 7/8 in (2

EZLink[®] (sold separately; catalog #: EZLINK01)



ViroSafe® Fluid Trap (sold separately; catalog #: VSFT10)



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Multi-Directional Swivel Provides for superior hand movement and less wrist drag than competitive products

PlumePen® Elite

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Pencils & Pencil Adapters

Pushing the boundaries through design innovation, **PlumePen® Elite** features a compact, ultra slim, ergonomic design that is significantly smaller than competitive electrosurgical smoke pencils. PlumePen Elite offers the comfort and advanced feature set surgeons demand.



PLP202020/CaseIncludes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 10 ft (3 m) tubing with adapter to 7/8 in (22 mm) port.PlumePen Elite (Non-Stick ESU Blade)PLP2505PLP25205/Case20/Case

Includes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 15 ft (4.6 m) tubing with adapter to 7/8 in (22 mm) port.

PlumePen[®] Pro

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Pencils & Pencil Adapters

PlumePen® Pro is as a cost effective solution combining precision surgical smoke management and electrosurgery without compromising quality or features. Pro is a perfect solution for surgeries where a pencil adapter is less optimal.

Product Features & Benefits

Sleek, Textured Profile Similar in size to standard electrosurgical pencils with raised texturing to improve surgeon's grip.

360 Degree Swivel Rotating connection allows for fluid hand movement and free range of motion.

Transparent Removable Capture Port Provides a clear view of the blade.

Wire Management

Seamless integration of ESU wire and tubing provides organized cord management.

Light, Flexible Tubing Aids in lessening hand fatigue and tension on the wrist.

Simple Connectivity Easily connects to most surgical smoke evacuators and ESU generators.

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Catalog Nur
PLPRO4020
adapter to 7/8 ir
PLPRO4520
adapter to 7/8
PROTIP420
PROTIP520
PROTIP620

360 Degree

Wire Management

Swivel



SnapEvac[®]

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Pencils & Pencil Adapters

SnapEvac[™] is an ergonomically designed smoke evacuation electrosurigcal pencil adapter that transforms most hyfrecator hand-switch pencils and electrosurgical pencils into a surgical smoke evacuation device that captures smoke plume at the point of creation.

Product Features & Benefits	
Snap and Evac Just snap in handpiece of your choice.	
Efficient Workflow Eliminates need for OR personnel to hold tubing.	
Transparent Capture Port Improves visibility of the surgical site.	

Cost-Effective Economical option for surgical smoke evacuation.

Lightweight Tubing

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Number	Quantity
SnapEvac	SnapEvac20	20/Case
Designed using ABS plastic and a polycarbonate capture port. Includes 10 ft (3 m) tubing with a 7/8 in (22 mm) cuff.		

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*Electrosurgical pencil not included

PenAdapt[®]

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Pencils & Pencil Adapters

PenAdapt® is an ergonomically designed pencil adapter that captures surgical smoke at the point of creation. Expertly engineered to position the capture inlet as close to the point of surgical smoke creation as possible, PenAdapt was designed to minimize any change to the feel of the pencil or the surgeon's line of vision. PenAdapt accommodates most electrosurgical pencils.

Product Features & Benefits

Universal Design

Pliable silicone material allows for proper fit to most electrosurgical pencil brands.

Angled Back End Clasp

Reduces tension placed on surgeon's wrist providing comfort.

Convenience

Eliminates need for OR personnel to hold tubing

Low Profile Front Nozzle Improves visibility of the surgical site.

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Number
PenAdapt	PA1025
deal for wall suction applications. ncludes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 1 ft (30.5 cm) 3/8 in (9.5 mm) tube.	tubing with an adapter to
PenAdapt (Cut-back)	PA1025CB
deal for wall suction applications. Cut-ba ncludes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 1 ft (30.5 cm) 3/8 in (9.5 mm) tube.	
PenAdapt	PA2010
Ideal for surgical smoke evacuator applic Includes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 4 ft (1.22 m) t 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tube.	
PenAdapt (Cut-back)	PA2010CB
deal for surgical smoke evacuator applience as a substitution of the second state of t	
Includes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 4 ft (1.22 m) t 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tube.	ubing with an adapter to
PenAdapt	PA2010B
Ideal for attachment to reusable electros Includes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 4 ft (1.22 m) t 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tube.	•
PenAdapt	PA2010BCB
Ideal for attachment to reusable electros adapter provides increased visibility. Includes 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 4 ft (1.22 m) t	• • • • •

7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tube. *Electrosurgical pencil not included



Quantity 25/Case

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PA1025, PA1025CB, PA2010, PA2010CB



PA2010B, PA2010BCB

Tubing – Standard & Specialty

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Tubing & Accessories

escription		Catalog Number	Quantity
/4 in (6.4 mm) Smoke	e Evacuation Tubing		
\bigcirc	NON-STERILE Excellent for use with filtered wall suction and for situations where space is limited. 1/4 in (6.4 mm) x 2 ft (.6 m).	ST10105	5/Cas
3/8 in (9.5 mm) Smoke	Evacuation Tubing		
	STERILE Excellent for use in an office setting and in small pockets where space is limited. 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m).	VT38S1010	10/Cas
7/8 in (22 mm) Smoke	Evacuation Tubing		
	The most common and versatile size of tubing, combining a compact size and	increased airflow	
	STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m).	VT10424	24/Cas
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m).	VT10624	24/Ca
	NON-STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) with (12) 7/8 in tubing-to-tubing connectors (extension tubing).	VT10324	24/Cas
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m).	VT10524-10	10/Ca
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m).	VT10524	24/Ca
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m).	VT78-6	6/Ca
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 2.5 ft (.7 m) (Replaces suction canister connecting tube).	VT10610	10/Ca
–1/4 in (32 mm) Smo	ke Evacuation Tubing		
\square	A wide diameter tubing, ideal for cases producing large amounts of smoke and as aesthetic procedures and Trans-urethral Resection of the Prostrate (TURP)		
and the second second	STERILE 1–1/4 in (32 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m).	VT10206	6/Cas
/	NON-STERILE 1–1/4 in (32 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m).	VT10106	6/Cas
	1–1/4 in (32 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m).	VT10306	6/Ca
	1–1/4 in (32 mm) x 2 ft (.6 m).	VT10510	10/Ca
–3/8 in (35 mm) Erbiu			
Min	NON-STERILE $1-3/8$ in (35 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tube (replace as needed) and six 2 ft (.6 m) length tubes with integral wand & sponge guard to be replaced each procedure.	VTEYKIT	1/ł
Speculum Tubing			
0	 STERILE Ideal for connection to surgical speculum, laryngoscope, or small area applications. 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) with 7/8 in (22 mm) to 1/4 in (6.4 mm) reducer to 1/4 in (6.4 mm) x 2 ft (.6 m) tubing. 	VTESU05	5/Cas
9	NON-STERILEIdeal for connection to surgical speculum or small area applications.7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) with 7/8 in (22 mm) to 1/4 in (6.4 mm) reducer to1/4 in (6.4 mm) x 2 ft (.6 m) tubing.	PSFTS05	5/Cas

Tubing – Standard & Specialty

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Tubing & Accessories

Description	
Pencil Adapter Tubing	1 Set
BO	STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) with 7/8 in (22 mm) to 3/8 in (9.5 mm and 3/8 in (9.5 mm) x 4 ft (1.2 m).
7/8 in (22 mm) Tubing	with Wand and Sponge Guard
	STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tubing with 8 in (20 cm) integral want sponge guard.
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m) tubing with 8 in (20 cm) integral war sponge guard.
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 14 ft (4.3 m) tubing with 8 in (20 cm) integral war sponge guard.
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m) tubing with 8 in (20 cm) integral war sponge guard with 7/8 in to $1-3/8$ in (35 mm) adapter.
	NON-STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tubing with 8 in (20 cm) integral want sponge guard.
	7/8 in (22 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m) tubing with 8 in (20 cm) integral was sponge guard.
1–1/4 in (32 mm) Tubir	ng with Wand and Sponge Guard
0	STERILE 1–1/4 in (32 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) tubing with 8 in (20 cm) integral was sponge guard.
1–3/8 in (35 mm) Tubi	ng with Wand and Sponge Guard
D	STERILE 1–3/8 in (35 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) with wand and sponge guard.
	1–3/8 in (35 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m) with wand and sponge guard.
	NON-STERILE 1–3/8 in (35 mm) x 6 ft (1.8 m) with wand and sponge guard.
7/8 in (22 mm) Tubing	with Adapters
	STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) to 3/8 in (9.5 mm) reducer fitting with 7/8 in (22 mm 6 ft (1.8 m) tubing.
0	STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) to 1/4 in (6.4 mm) reducer fitting with 2 ft (.6 m) x 1/4 in (6.4 mm) tubing.
And a state of the	NON-STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) to 1/4 in (6.4 mm) reducer fitting with 2 ft (.6 m) x 1/4 in (6.4 mm) tubing.

Catalog Number Quantity VTVIC10 10/Case in (22 mm) to 3/8 in (9.5 mm) reducer VTWT424 vith 8 in (20 cm) integral wand and 24/Case with 8 in (20 cm) integral wand and VTWT624 24/Case VTWT805 with 8 in (20 cm) integral wand and 5/Case with 8 in (20 cm) integral wand and VTWTS10 10/Case (35 mm) adapter. VTWT324 24/Case vith 8 in (20 cm) integral wand and VTWT524 with 8 in (20 cm) integral wand and 24/Case VTWT206 g with 8 in (20 cm) integral wand and 6/Case wand and sponge guard. VTWT505 5/Case VTWT515 wand and sponge guard. 5/Case wand and sponge guard. VTWT506 6/Case VT10405 lucer fitting with 7/8 in (22 mm) x 5/Case RF10210 10/Case lucer fitting with 2 ft (.6 m) x RF10110 10/Case

Tubing – Reducer Fittings/Adapters

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Tubing & Accessories

Description		Catalog Number	Quantity
Reducer Fittings/Ad	apters		
	NON-STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) to 1/4 in (6.4 mm) reducer fitting.	RF10112	12/Case
	NON-STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) to 1/4 in (6.4 mm) reducer fitting with 2 in (5.1 cm) cuff.	RF12524	24/Case
	NON-STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) to 3/8 in (9.5 mm) reducer fitting with 2 in (5.1 cm) cuff.	RF783824	24/Case
	NON-STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) to 3/8 in (9.5 mm) reducer fitting.	RF10512	12/Case
	NON-STERILE 1–3/8 in (35 mm) to 7/8 in (22 mm) reducer fitting.	RF10705	5/Case
	NON-STERILE	RF13810	10/Case

Tubing – Wands & Sponge Guards

Surgical Smoke Evacuation Tubing & Accessories



1–3/8 in (35 mm) to 3/8 in (9.5 mm) reducer fitting.

	Catalog Number	Quantity
	WLRT410	10/Case
	WLRT003 WLRT303	3/Case 3/Case
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ping.	WTIPS10	10/Case
to 1–3/8 in (35 mm) tubing.	WTIPL10	10/Case

PlumePort[®] ActiV[®]

Laparoscopic Solutions

PlumePort® ActiV[®] is the first line of defense designed for safe, effective removal of surgical smoke during laparoscopic procedures. ActiV easily attaches to standard trocars and utilizes readily available suction systems providing noiseless operation.

With a built-in fluid trap, moisture is effectively managed throughout the entire procedure to ensure uninhibited flow and prevent filter saturation without compromising the integrity of the filtration media.

ActiV provides up to 50% more flow capability than competitive passive laparoscopic filters while maintaining ULPA filtration and significantly outperforms competitive devices when exposed to high moisture environments. In addition to ULPA filtration, ActiV contains activated carbon known to adsorb gases.

Product Features & Benefits

Active Smoke Removal

Controlled management of smoke throughout the surgical procedure featuring flow control dial with one hand adjustability.

Noiseless Operation

Compact Housing Design

Contains built-in fluid trap, flow adjustment valve and filtration.

Moisture Management Built-in fluid trap to manage moisture throughout entire procedure.

Integrated ULPA Filtration

Coupled with activated carbon to safely filter peritoneal smoke.

Universal Connectivity

Easily attaches to standard luer lock fittings and suction systems.

Up to 50% More Flow

Provides greater flow than passive laparoscopic devices.

Not made with natural rubber latex

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Number	Quantity
PlumePort ActiV	PP010CS	10/Case



Non-Phthalate Tubing

BUFFALO FILTER



Flow Adjustment Valve

PlumePort® SEO

Laparoscopic Solutions

PlumePort® SEO easily connects from a standard trocar to a smoke evacuator for efficient and safe removal of surgical smoduring laparoscopic procedures. Utilizing available surgical smoke evacuators and coupling it with this flow controlled devided PlumePort SEO provides fast and safe smoke management w maintaining peritoneal distention.

Product Features & Benefits

Active Smoke Removal

Controlled management of smoke throughout the surgical prospective smoke evacuator.

Maximum Flow Control

Built-in calibration maintains peritoneal distention without OR interaction.

Adjustable Flow Rate

Allows flow adjustment via surgical smoke evacuator.

Universal Connectivity

Standard luer lock fitting and connects to most surgical smok

Up to 50% More Flow

Provides greater flow than passive laparoscopic devices.

Not made with natural rubber latex

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Numb
PlumePort SEO	PP012SEO



Built-In Fluid Trap

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personnel	Luer Lock Connector 7/8 in (22 mm) Connector	
e evacuators.		
er Quantity		
12/Case		

PlumePort[®]

Laparoscopic Solutions

PlumePort[®] is a passive laparoscopic smoke filtration device with integrated ULPA filtration coupled with activated carbon to safely filter the aerosolized contents of peritoneal smoke during laparoscopy. Containing more than two times the ULPA media as competitive passive devices, and a dual management moisture control process of a wicking agent and fluid trap, PlumePort offers essential media integrity for greater protection during longer cases.

Product Features & Benefits

Adjustable Flow Control

Lightweight design and integral control maintains peritoneal distention.

Moisture Management

With an integrated fluid trap and wicking material, moisture is effectively managed to ensure the integrity of the filtration media.

ULPA Filtration

Contains more than two times ULPA filtration media than competitive devices providing enhanced protection and extending filter life.

Activated Carbon

Incorporates activated carbon known to adsorb gases.

Universal Connectivity

Easily connects to all standard luer lock fittings.

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Number	Quantity
PlumePort	PP010	10/Case



Adjustable Flow Control



Wicking Material

PlumePort® SEV & SE

Laparoscopic Solutions

PlumePort® SEV is a sterile laparoscopic smoke filtration device that connects from a standard surgical trocar to a smoke evacuator for efficient and safe removal of surgical smoke during laparoscopic procedures. The surgical smoke evacuation is controlled via the surgical smoke removal valve.

Product Features & Benefits

Active Smoke Removal

Controlled management of smoke throughout the surgical procedure via surgical smoke removal valve.

Surgical Smoke Removal Valve

Aids in reducing loss of insufflation gas while managing smoke.

Universal Connectivity

Easily connects to standard surgical trocars and most surgical smoke evacuators.

Attachment Clip

Conveniently attaches wherever needed.

Not made with natural rubber latex

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Numbe
PlumePort SEV	BLAP100V

PlumePort[®] **SE** is sterile smoke management tubing that connects from a standard surgical trocar to a smoke evacuator for efficient and safe removal of surgical smoke during laparoscopic procedures.

Product Features & Benefits

Active Smoke Removal

Controlled management of smoke throughout the surgical procedure via surgical smoke evacuator.

Adjustable Flow Rate

Allows flow adjustment via surgical smoke evacuator or trocar valve opening.

Universal Connectivity

Easily connects to standard surgical trocars and most surgical smoke evacuators.

Attachment Clip

Conveniently attaches wherever needed.

Not made with natural rubber latex

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Numbe
PlumePort SE	BLAP100





LaparoVue[®] Visibility System

Laparoscopic Solutions

LaparoVue® Visibility System

LaparoVue is an all-in-one solution designed to take the complexity out of achieving optimal visualization. An easy to use, disposable multi-purpose device that warms, white balances, cleans and defogs, LaparoVue® eliminates the necessity for multiple product purchases.

Product Features & Benefits

Warms & White Balances

Warms scope in 5 minutes to prevent fogging. Unit warms up to 5 hours. Allows for white balancing.

Cleans

Provides crisp, clear view in 5 seconds. Radiopaque VueTip® Trocar Swabs remove debris and excess liquid from trocar cannula.

X-ray detectable Microfiber Cloth designed to capture residue/particulates.

Defoas

Pre-filled warming solution helps prevent intra-operative scope fogging.

One Unit, Two Ports

Two ports: warming/white balancing and cleaning/defogging. Allows for second scope to be warmed and ready during surgery. Fits 3 mm-12 mm scopes without a port size converter.

Detached Scope Cradle

Safely and securely supports scope. Reduces tension on lens and potential for damage.

Ergonomic Design

Stable base prevents tipping. Contoured, easy grip profile. Engineered with soft silicone material.

Built-in LED lights

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Number	Quantity
LaparoVue® Visibility System	LAPVUE10	10/Case



VueTip® Trocar Swab Accessory Kit (also sold separately; catalog # VUETIP10)



SUFFALO FILTER

warms & white balances



* Photographs are representative of a fogged and clear / defogged lens but do not reflect actual product use.

LaparoLight[™] Veress Needle

Laparoscopic Solutions

LaparoLight[™] Veress Needle

LaparoLight Veress Needle advances laparoscopic access with SafetyView™ Illumination Technology, a new safety enhancement developed so surgeons no longer have to blindly guess when the peritoneal cavity has been entered. A light immediately alerts them to entry. The "illuminated" visual placement indicator enhances current safety protocols and provides increased assurance to the surgeon during blind insertion.

Product Features & Benefits

SafetyView[™] Illumination technology provides an illuminated visual upon entry into the peritoneal cavity.

Assists surgeon in reducing the possibility of patient injury.

Clear hub for easy viewing during aspiration and hanging drop tests.

Distinct audible "click" as blunt tip springs forward entering peritoneal cavity.

Accommodates different patient populations with two size lengths: 120mm and 150mm.

Product Ordering Information	Catalog Number	Quantity
LaparoLight [™] Veress Needle	LLVN12012	12/Case
LaparoLight [™] Veress Needle	LLVN15012	12/Case

Insufflation Tubing Sets



Insufflation Tubing • 10ft (3 m) tubing • bi-directional .1 micron hydrophobic filters reduce the

- chance of contamination Sterile
- Not made with natural rubber latex Rotating luer-lock connector prevents twisting or
- disconnects of CO2 line
- 4 different connect fittings

Product	Description	Catalog Number	Quantity
-	Insufflation tubing set with funnel taper connector (click in connector) & swivel luer	ITSFTC10	10/Case
	Insufflation tubing set w/ quick connector (o-ring) & swivel luer	ITSQC10	10/Case
	Insufflation tubing set with dual swivel luers	ITSDSL10	10/Case
P	Insufflation tubing set with 15/22 mm round connector	ITS152210	10/Case

Accessories

Description		Catalog Number	Quantity
VueTip® Trocar Swab Access	sory Kit		
	Kit contains both a radiopaque Microfiber Cloth (non-abrasive) that can be used to clean the scope lens and two VueTip Trocar Swabs for 3–7 mm and 7–12 mm trocar cannulas.	VUETIP10	10/Case
EZLink [®]			
	Activation Device used to remotely turn all current Buffalo Filter surgical smoke evacuators on and off in conjunction with Electrosurgical Unit activation saving filter life.	EZLINK01	1/Case
0	Adjustable delay allows for capture of residual smoke that may be present after deactivation of electrosurgery devices.		
	Multiple cautery pencils can be accommodated with one EZLink device providing savings and convenience to facility.		
	Easy set-up; requires no programming.		
Pneumatic Footswitch			
	Designed to work with all current Buffalo Filter surgical smoke evacuators. Features 10 ft length (3.0 m).	FS10004	1/Case
Virosafe [®] Fluid Trap			
and the	Designed to capture fluids to help maintain the integrity of the filtration system and assist with maintaining filter life.	VSFT10	10/Case
	Translucent design with simple to read measurement increments (holds up to 100 cc fluid capacity).		
	Easy to attach and remove with cap holder for easy storage of caps during use.		
	7/8 in (22 mm) and 1/4 in (6.4 mm) tubing connection ports.		
	Fits 7/8 in (22 mm) port of Buffalo Filter ViroSafe Filters.		
Direct Connect Cables			
0	Direct Connect Cable for ConMed Electrosurgical Units (certain models only) and Buffalo Filter Smoke Evacuators	DCCM01	1/Case
X	Direct Connect Cable for Covidien Electrosurgical Units (certain models only) and Buffalo Filter Smoke Evacuators	DCCOV01	1/Case

Accessories



	Catalog Number	Quantity
for PlumePen Pro	PROTIP420	20/Case
for PlumePen Pro	PROTIP520	20/Case
for PlumePen Pro	PROTIP620	20/Case
n connectors.	ADP22X22Y	1/Case
		1/0436
	0141 0550	=0/0
ration media surgical masks.	SMLOF50	50/Case
	SMLOF300	300/Case
the hand piece LaseAdapt SC series	LA3010EY10	10/Case
laser generated airborne contaminants d to hold a surgical smoke evacuation tube.		
Fractional Thorapy ^M Lagor System	LA3010PF10	10/Case
Fractional Therapy [™] Laser System	LAJUIUPFIU	TU/Case
the hand piece, LaseAdapt SC series laser generated airborne contaminants		
see generated and only containing the		

(LGAC's) and eliminates need to hold a surgical smoke evacuation tube.

LA3010CL4 4/Case Designed for the Sciton[®] Contour TRL[™] Erbium Scanner and

Accessories

Description		Catalog Number	Quantity
Armstand			
	Great for office applications. Provides hands-free positioning of the smoke evacuation tubing. Velcro tubing fasteners included. 10 in (25.4 cm) x 10 in (25.4 cm) x 34 in (86.4 cm)	ARMSTAND	1/Case
EvacuCart™			
×	Lightweight, transport cart with locking wheels for Buffalo Filter branded surgical smoke evacuators. 15 in (38.1 cm) x 17.5 in (44.5 cm) x 32 in (81.3 cm)	ETC01	1/Case
ViroVac® Wall Mount Kit			
	Wall mount kit designed for ViroVac surgical smoke evacuator. Includes base and wall mount plates, screws, and tri-wall anchors to properly mount unit.	VVWM01	1/Case

Filters For Buffalo Filter Evacuators

Filter Name	Designed to Fit	Description	Catalog Number	(
ViroSafe [®] 6 Filter				
	PlumeSafe® Turbo; Porta PlumeSafe® 604	Lasts for 6 hours of smoke evacuation time and captures 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency. Dual male ports — 7/8 in (22 mm) and 1–1/4 in (32 mm).	VS06001 VS06002 VS06004	
ViroSafe [®] 6 Twin Port Fil	ter			
	PlumeSafe® Turbo; Porta PlumeSafe® 604	Lasts for 6 hours of smoke evacuation time. Twin male ports — 7/8 in (22 mm).	VS06T04	2
ViroSafe® Extra Long Lif	ie Filter			
	PlumeSafe® Turbo; Porta PlumeSafe® 604	Lasts for 18 hours of smoke evacuation time. Dual male ports — 7/8 in (22 mm) and 1–1/4 in (32 mm).	VSXLL02 VSXLL04	
ViroSafe® Extra Long Lif	ie Twin Port Filter			
	PlumeSafe® Turbo; Porta PlumeSafe® 604	Lasts for 18 hours of smoke evacuation time. Twin male ports — 7/8 in (22 mm).	SING-VSXLLT VSXLLT02 VSXLLT04	:

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Filters

For Buffalo Filter Evacuators

Filter Name	Designed to Fit	Description	Catalog Number	Quantity
ViroSafe® Veterinary Filter				
	PlumeSafe® Turbo; Porta PlumeSafe® 604	Lasts for 24 hours of smoke evacuation time and captures 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency.	VSVET01	1/Case
		Dual male ports — 7/8 in (22 mm) and 1–1/4 in (32 mm)		
		Most economical choice for animal hospitals and clinics.		
ViroSafe [®] Erbium: YAG Pre	e-filter			
	ViroSafe [®] Erbium: YAG main filter	Specifically designed for use with Erbium: Yag laser applications.	BFEY04PF	4/Case
E So		Designed to be used for 1-3 procedures, depending on application.		
/iroSafe [®] Erbium: YAG Filt	ter			
	PlumeSafe [®] Turbo; Porta PlumeSafe [®] 604	Specifically designed for use with the Erbium: Yag laser applications.	SING VSEY	1/Case
		Lasts for 12 hours of smoke evacuation time when used with pre-filters BFEY04PF and captures particles 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency.		
		Dual male ports — 7/8 in (22 mm) and 1–1/4 in (32 mm).		
/iroSafe [®] Erbium: YAG Kit	:			
	Erbium: Yag laser applications Using Erbium: YAG pre-filters helps to protect the efficacy of	The pre-filter has a 1–3/8 in (35 mm) male port at each end—one to attach to the 1–1/4 in (32 mm) opening on the Main Erbium: YAG filter and another to attach to a 1–3/8 in (35 mm) tubing set.	VSEY1-4	1 Main Filte 4 Pre-filter
AUTOR	the ViroSafe® Erbium: YAG main filter (ensuring that it lasts for 12 hours of smoke evacuation time).	Efficiency Main Filter: captures particles 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency Pre-filter: 0.3-0.5 micron filtration		
		<u>Usage Time</u> Main Filter: 12 hours Pre-filter: 1–3 procedures		
Pre-filter				
500	Not available in the United States	Pre-filter, Single Use	PRFIL20	20/Case

Filters For Buffalo Filter Evacuators

Filter Name	Designed to Fit	Description	Catalog Number	Qu
ViroSafe® Odor / Hair Remo	oval Filter			
	PlumeSafe® Turbo; Porta PlumeSafe®604	Ideal for procedures such as laser hair removal that create malodorous smoke and gases.	VSOH001 VSOH002	1/0 2/0
		Lasts for 24 hours of smoke evacuation time and captures 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency.		
		Dual male ports — 7/8 in (22 mm) and 1–1/4 in (32 mm).		
ViroSafe [®] Pre-Filter				
	ViroSafe [®] main filter	Single port pre-filter may be attached to a ViroSafe main filter to help capture small amounts of liquid and particulate to protect and maintain its efficacy. This pre-filter should be changed after every use.	BFPF7/8–10	10/0
ViroSafe [®] 12 Filter				
	PlumeSafe [®] 1202 (discontinued)	Lasts for 24 hours of smoke evacuation time and captures 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency.	VS12D01	1/0
		Dual ports — 7/8 in (22 mm) or 1–1/4 in (32 mm)		
ViroSafe [®] ViroVac [®] Filter				
1	ViroVac®	4 layers of proven filtration gross particulate, ULPA media, activated carbon, and post filter.	VS353 VS35302	1/ 2/
		Last up to 35 hours of smoke evacuation time and captures 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency.	VS35304	4/
		Hidden ports reduce the risk to caregivers of cross contamination.		
		3-port filter — 1/4 in (6.4 mm), 3/8 in (9.5 mm) and 7/8 in (22 mm)		
ViroSafe® VisiClear® Filter				
	VisiClear®	Safeport Technology [™] prevents the clinician from accidental touching an exposed port when not in use. Customized filter life for acute care applications.	VS135 VS1352 VS1354	1/0 2/0 4/0
	t	Lasts for up to 35 hours of smoke evacuation time and captures 0.1 to 0.2 micron particles at 99.999% efficiency.		
1 million		3-port filter — 1/4 in (6.4 mm), 3/8 in (9.5 mm) and 7/8 in (22 mm).		

Filters

For Wall & Portable Suction Systems

Filter Name	Designed to Fit	Description	Catalog Number	Quantity		
BILF150 Multi-Use In-Line	BILF150 Multi-Use In-Line Filter					
	Captures particulate	ULPA rated media, 0.1 to 0.2 micron.	BILF150	10/Case		
(im	before it enters wall	Economical and easy to use.				
	suction systems. Ideal for connection to wall suction port.	As recommended by AORN, surgical smoke should be filtered before it reaches the wall to protect suction systems.				
BILF200 Multi-Use In-Line	e Filter					
(1)	Captures particulate	ULPA rated media, 0.1 to 0.2 micron.	BILF200	10/Case		
1- 27	before it enters wall suction systems. Ideal	Economical and easy to use.				
	for connection to canister tree	Single 1/4 in (6.4 mm) to 3/8 in (9.5 mm) detached tube.				

Filters For Competitive Replacement

Buffalo Filter offers an expansive array of filters for OEM and Competitive manufacturer's of surgical smoke evacuators. We have replacement filters for the following manufacturers:

Berchtold: A series of replacement filters designed for the Berchtold Phoenix and TeleVac.

ConMed: Replacement filters for the CMIS, ConMed Aspen Vac and Hyfre-VAC filters **Cooper Surgical**: Replacement pre-filters and filters

for Cooper Surgical System 6080 EDGE: Replacement Pre-filters and filters for EDGE S.A.F.E. System QuantaVac: Replacement filters for QuantaVac System Stryker: Replacement filters for StrykeVac, StrykeVac 3 and Neptune 2 Ultra Stackhouse: Replacement pre-filters and filters for Stackhouse ES-2000, LFA-100, MiniVac, AirSafe VersaVac and Point OneSystem Surgimedics: Replacement pre-filters and filters for Surgimedics **TRUMPF:** Replacement filters for TRUMPF EasyVac Valleylab: Replacement pre-filters and filters for Valleylab Optimumm, Airforce, ValleyVac

Please cross-reference the manufacturer's filter model number below to the equivalent Buffalo Filter replacement filter for that system.

Description

Berchtold TeleVac & TeleVac LT

Replaces:

 Berchtold TELEVAC LT Surgimedics 901428



Berchtold Phoenix XS or X3 Filter



Replaces: Berchtold TELEVAC XS/X3





	Catalog Number	Quantity
Lasts for 8 hours of smoke evacuation time.	BTLD004	4/Case
7/8 in (22 mm) port.		

Lasts for 8 hours of smoke evacuation time.

BTLDXS04

4/Case

7/8 in (22 mm) port.

Filters For Competitive Replacement

Description			Catalog Number	Quantity
Cooper Surgical Systen	n 6080			
	<i>Replaces</i> : • Coastal Life 1101300, 901300-000 • Cooper 6082 • Intermed IG-6082 • Surgimedics 901300, 901009 • Valleylab E3515	Multi-fit pre-filter replacement with 7/8 in (22 mm) male port.	BSUCF03 BSUCF03V (with gasket)	3/Case 3/Case
dge S.A.F.E. System F	ilters & Pre-filters			
in the second se	<i>Replaces</i> : • EDGE 20004 pre-filter	Pre-filter with a 7/8 in (22 mm) female and 1–1/4 in (32 mm) male port.	BFE20004	5/Case
AN AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND AND A	<i>Replaces</i> : • EDGE 20009 Big Boy main filter	Main filter for EDGE S.A.F.E. System.	BFE20009	1/Case
	<i>Replaces</i> : • EDGE S.A.F.E. System main filter and pre-filters	Kit replaces both the main filter and pre-filter with a 7/8 in (22 mm) female and 1–1/4 in (32 mm) male port.	BFE Kit	Main Filter 1/Case Pre-Filter 5/Case

Filters For Competitive Replacement

Description			Catalog Number	Quar
Stackhouse ES-2000 Syste	em Filters & Pre-filters			
	Replaces: • Lumenis 80000-002 • Stackhouse ES-2000PF/12, 24204 • Surgimedics 901405, 901406	Must be used with Buffalo Filter main filter BES2000ULC. Single use.	BES2000PF	12/Ca
	Replaces:	Must be used with Buffalo Filter	BES2000PFC	12/Ca
	 Stackhouse ES-2000PFC/12, 24205 Surgimedics 901406, 901407 	main filter BES2000ULC. Single use.		
	Replaces:	Must be used with Buffalo Filter	BESIWT110	12/Ca
	 Stackhouse ES-IWT-110/S, 24152 Surgimedics 901414 	main filter BES2000ULC. STERILE 7/8 in (22 mm) x 10 ft (3.0 m) tubing.		
	Replaces: • Stackhouse ES2000/ULC, 24211 • Surgimedics 901407	Must be used with Buffalo Filter pre-filter: • BES2000PF • BES2000PFC • BESIWT110 Lasts up to 25 hours of smoke evacuation time, depending on use.	BES2000ULC	1/Ca
Stackhouse LFA-100 & Poi	nt One System Filters			
	Replaces: • Stackhouse LFS-103/3, 24001 • Stackhouse LFS-103/12, 24033 • Surgimedics 901410		BLFS103 BLFS101	3/Ca 12/Ca
Stackhouse AirSafe Versa	Vac I & II Filter			
	Replaces:		BST370ULC	3/Ca
	 Edge 20012-03 Stackhouse ST-370-FRESH/3, 24300; Surgimedics 901408 			

Filters For Competitive Replacement

Description			Catalog Number	Quantity
Stackhouse MiniVac ST-125	i0			
	<i>Replaces</i> : • Conmed 60-5902-001 • Cooper 395-703 • Stackhouse STM-300, 24139-01 • Surgimedics 901409 • Valleylab E1091	Male port filter	BSTM300	3/Case
StrykeVac 1 & 2 ViroSafe [®] F	Filter			

TID	Designed to Fit: • Integrated StrykeVac Smoke Evacuation System	Lasts up to 24 hours of smoke evacuation time.	VSSV505 VSSV50502	1/Case 2/Case
		4-port filter — 1/4 in (6.4 mm), 3/8 in (9.5 mm), 7/8 in (22 mm) and 1-1/4 in (32 mm).		

StrykeVac 3 ViroSafe® Filter

	Designed to Fit:	Lasts up to 24 hours of smoke	VSSV301	1/Case
R.	 StrykeVac 3 Smoke Evacuation 	evacuation time.	VSSV302	2/Case
	System	3-port filter — 1/4 in (6.4 mm),	VSSV304	4/Case
1		3/8 in (9.5 mm) and		
		7/8 in (22 mm).		
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Surgimedics 7/8 in (22 mm) Pre-filter Replaces: 7/8 in (22 mm) port. • Cooper 52560, 6081 • Surgimedics 901202 pre-filter

Surgimedics 1–3/8 in (32 mm) Pre-filter



Replaces:

- Coastal Life 1101202, 901202-000
 Cooper 6081; Intermed 2081, 6081
- Surgimedics 901202 pre-filter

Filters For Competitive Replacement



TRUMPF ViroSafe® Filter (EasyVac Filter for TRUMPF Easy



Designed to Fit: • TRUMPF EasyVac





Designed to Fit: • Stryker Neptune 2 and Stryker Neptune 3

Valleylab Optimumm System Filters & Pre-filters

Replaces:



- Surgimedics 901202
 Valleylab E3630
 - Valleylab Optimumm pre-filter

Replaces:

- H L
- Surgimedics 901412
- Valleylab Optimumm E3625
 main filter

BSPF 7-8-30

BSPF030

30/Case

30/Case

	Catalog Number	Quantity
Lasts for 8 hours of smoke evacuation time.	MSF8D-1	1/Case

/Vac)			
	Lasts for 8 hours of smoke evacuation time. 3-port filter — 1/4 in (6.4 mm), 3/8 in (9.5 mm) and 7/8 in (22 mm).	VSTR08 VSTR0804	1/Case 4/Case
e 3			
	3-port filter — 1/4 in (6.4 mm), 3/8 in (9.5 mm) and 7/8 in (22 mm).	VSNEP01 VSNEP04	1/Case 4/Case
	1–3/8 in (35 mm) port pre-filter.	BFE3630 BSPF030	25/Case 30/Case
	ULPA filter for Optimumm smoke evacuator.	BFE3625	3/Case

Ordering & Contact Information

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All Buffalo Filter products are manufactured and produced in compliance with FDA QMS regulations, ISO 9001, and ISO 13485.

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No warranty is included for incidental or consequential damages of any nature arising from any defect.

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Education & Training

Surgical Smoke Evacuation



What is Surgical Smoke?

Surgical smoke is a dangerous by-product generated from the use of lasers, electrosurgical pencils, ultrasonic devices, and other surgical energy based devices. As these instruments cauterize vessels and destroy (vaporize) tissue, fluid, and blood, a gaseous material known as surgical smoke is created. It is estimated that approximately 95% of all surgical procedures produce some degree of surgical smoke.

Why is Surgical Smoke so Hazardous?

The composition of surgical smoke is generally 95% water and 5% other matter. It is the other matter that is hazardous to surgical personnel and patients. The hazards of surgical smoke can be broken down into chemical, biological and physical components.

CHEMICAL

The chemical component of surgical smoke contains over 80 different toxic chemicals and by-products; some which have documented harmful health effects. The carbon monoxide generated during electrocautery can cause headaches and nausea, and be undetected by pulse oximetry. Surgical smoke and aerosols irritate the lungs and have similar mutagenicity of cigarette smoke.¹ A recent study done to quantify exposure found that on average the surgical smoke produced daily in the operating room was equivalent to 27-30 cigarettes.² These compounds pose a health risk to exposed OR staff and patients.

BIOLOGICAL

The *biological* matter is the particulate matter of the surgical smoke that contains blood, and potentially infectious viruses and bacteria. Since surgical smoke is comprised of approximately 95% water vapor it creates a viable carrier for bacteria and virus which can transfer infectious diseases. There is documented evidence of virus being transferred airborne with surgical smoke. One report from a surgeon indicates he contracted the same DNA viral type of HPV in his larynx as a patient he had recently treated for anogential condylomas.³ Evidence has also been found of HIV-1 in smoke caused by powered surgical instruments.⁴

PHYSICAL

The physical components consist of particulate from surgical smoke that ranges from <0.01 microns to >200 microns with a majority between .3 to .5. These ultra-fine particles are significantly elevated in the operating theatre and create a very fine dust similar to coal dust when electrocautery devices are used. Particles smaller than .3 microns can bypass the lungs normal filtration mechanisms, the mucus secretions and cilia, and deposit in the alveoli, where the exchange of blood/gas takes place. In addition, surgical smoke is consistent with cigarette smoke in that it can paralyze the cilia. It has been shown that surgical smoke can induce acute and chronic inflammatory changes including congestion, pneumonia, bronchiolitis and emphysematous changes in the respiratory tract.⁵

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Why Evacuate?

Besides mitigating the risks associated with the physical, chemical, and biological components of surgical smoke, there are several reasons to evacuate including:

Reasons to Evacuate

Surgical smoke creates visibility difficulty during minimally invasive procedures and procedures where there is a lot of tissue ablation slowing down surgical time and potentially increasing the risk for complications.

Removal of aerosols in the peritoneal cavity have shown to help reduce build up on camera lenses

Medical staff have reported a number of symptoms associated with exposure to surgical smoke including nausea, headaches, sneezing, lightheadedness, dizziness, and eye / nose / throat irritation.6

Surgical smoke plume has shown the potential to have adverse negative effects on the patient when plume is not properly evacuated during laparoscopic / endoscopic procedures.⁷ During laparoscopic surgery toxic compounds present in surgical smoke are absorbed into the body.8

Some of the chemicals identified in surgical smoke are:

- PERCHLOROETHYLENE: main component in dry cleaning fluid
- HYDROGEN CYANIDE: neurotoxin used in chemical warfare
- **TOLUENE**: similar to paint thinner; known carcinogen
- FORMALDEHYDE: used to preserve surgical specimens and embalming fluid
- ETHYLBENZENE: used in the manufacture of Styrofoam
- BENZENE: known carcinogen

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Surgical Smoke Evacuation



Collaborating for a surgical smoke-free environment!

CLEAR THE AIR® PROGRAM

Let us help you navigate through the process to achieve a surgical smoke-free environment!

Whether you are trying to achieve the AORN Go Clear Award or just looking to be best-in-class for patient and healthcare personnel safety, we have solutions to meet your specific needs!

We understand the challenges and to help break through the process, Buffalo Filter has developed a comprehensive program complete with tools and solutions to ensure that your campus is truly "smoke-free".

We offer free consultations and on-site visits which include the following:

• EDUCATION OF KEY STAKEHOLDERS

Our program starts by educating key stakeholders to the hazards inherent with surgical smoke and compliance risks by offering free continuing education activities for both nurses and physicians.

PROCESS AND/OR POLICY DEVELOPMENT

Our clinical staff will guide your facility through the process of how to effectively implement a program to manage these hazards while controlling costs.

• SELECTION OF "THE RIGHT FIT" SOLUTIONS

Our experienced staff will guide your facility through any necessary trials and the selection of solutions that will best fit and meet the needs of your facility with the goal of ensuring success.



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- No cost to your facility
- Support throughout the process
- Simple and easy to follow

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