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VHP[®] MD140X Biodecontamination Unit Frequently Asked Questions

1. What is the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit's primary use?

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The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit is designed for low-temperature biodecontamination¹ of pre-cleaned and dry instruments and reusable instruments² for non-human use using STERIS's VHP process technology, vacuum conditions and Vaprox[®] 59 Hydrogen Peroxide Sterilant.

2. What types of instruments can be processed by the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit can process lumen, non-lumen and flexible lumen instruments.³ In particular, instruments sensitive to heat and/or repeated exposure to heat where steam and ethylene oxide (EtO) may not be an option.

3. How much can be processed with the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit offers an industry leading 4.8ft³ (136 L) square, open chamber design with two ergonomic shelves for easy instrument loading/removal and maximum instrument loads per cycle for a low cost of ownership and fast instrument turnaround time.

4. Is cycle development required to operate the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit comes programmed with three validated biodecontamination cycles: Lumen, Non-lumen and Flexible.

5. What is a typical Biodecontamination Cycle with the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit is programmed with three validated cycles: Lumen (55 minutes); Non-Lumen (28 minutes); and Flexible (35 minutes). Each Biodecontamination Cycle proceeds through three phases: Condition, Biodecontamination, and Aeration.

6. Does the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit produce the same hydrogen peroxide vapor as other STERIS VHP Biodecontamination Units?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit uses the same patented, STERIS VHP process technology as other

STERIS VHP Biodecontamination Units. This process utilizes hydrogen peroxide vapor as a broad spectrum anti-microbial without condensation of the active ingredient onto surfaces with good material compatibility. The hydrogen peroxide vapor state distinguishes STERIS VHP Biodecontamination Units from other technologies on the market (i.e. fog, dry fog, plasma and micro-condensation).

7. What type of sterilant does the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit use?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit uses STERIS's proprietary Vaprox 59 Hydrogen Peroxide Sterilant. Vaprox 59 Hydrogen Peroxide Sterilant is designed specifically for STERIS VHP Biodecontamination Units. It is a 59% hydrogen peroxide aqueous solution that is registered with the US EPA (EPA Reg. No. 1043-123).

8. Does the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit use any type of sterilant recognition technology?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit verifies the expiration date of the product, tracks the days it has been opened and tracks the number of cycles per Cup that have been performed. Ready, Status, Standby and Cup Empty screens include a cup level indicator in the lower right corner. Each bar represents approximately 4 cycles.

9. What type of control does the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit have?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit uses an Allen-Bradley Compact Logix[™] (Panel Plus[™] 6 1000 Display) control. The PLC features a 10.4" color TFT display with touch screen.

10. What configurations is the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit available?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit is available in Single Door – Recessed and Single Door – Cabinet configurations. A Double Door configuration is available as a special order unit.

11. What languages are available for the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit is available as an English only unit. Other languages are available as a special order unit.

12. What voltages are available for the MD140X Biodecontamination Unit?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit is available in 208-230Vac/30/50-60Hz. Other voltages are available as a special-order unit.

13. What additional space or utility requirements are needed to operate the MD140X Biodecontamination Unit?

The *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit is a self-contained unit. This means that there are no additional plumbing, ventilation, or air supply requirements.

14. Does STERIS Life Sciences offer any accessories, options and sterility assurance products to support the MD140X Biodecontamination System?

STERIS Life Sciences offers a wide variety of products specifically designed for supporting STERIS VHP Biodecontamination Units and applications. Refer to the *MD140X* Biodecontamination Unit sell sheet, technical data sheet, operator manual and/or contact your local STERIS Life Sciences representative for additional information and support.

15. Does STERIS Life Sciences offer any additional services?

STERIS Life Sciences Service offers a suite of services for the Customer including the following:

- Biodecontamination Services
- Preventative maintenance programs
- OEM replacement parts

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- The verticative maintenance pre-
- Calibration
 - Cycle development

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¹ Refer to the Vaprox 59 Hydrogen Peroxide Sterilant package label and insert for additional information and application instructions.

² Not for use to reprocess reusable instruments for human use.

³ Refer to VHP MD140X Operator Manual for additional information.