

## Regarding inquiry of reuse of Servino and Sokinox flow sensor

The flow sensor of the Servino and the Sokinox system are disposable items and should be replaced in-between patients. This is described in the User Manual of the system.

The flow sensor is designed to be used on the inspiratory side of the system, far away from the patient. Due to the fact that the items are intended to be used on one patient and disposed after use, there is no disinfection method that has been validated for the surface cleaning of the disposable flow sensor. The risk of cross contamination is not from patient to patient but rather from the end-user who is managing the system and also handling the flow sensor and who could potentially transfer the virus from one patient to another.

Due to the fact that the devices are intended to be disposed after each use, any disinfection and reuse of the flow sensor has to be considered off label use. Therefore, the decision to disinfect a disposable flow sensor for use on multiple patients is up to the discretion of the user's medical judgement regarding risks vs benefits.

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