

Single-Use Technology Used for Aseptic Processing and Final Fill Applications

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Agenda





What is Bioprocessing?



What is Single-Use?





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Single-Use Market Dynamics

New Challenges

- Quality assurance: Leaks -> Product Loss
- Integrity testing: at supplier & point of use
- Extractables: transparency on reports and testing
- Assurance of supply & change control

Key Needs



- Superior product performance & ease of use
- Documentation, validation, training support
- Standardization: materials, connectors & configurations
- Assurance of supply: business continuity & consistent quality



Application Areas for Single-Use Components in Bioprocessing

mAb Process





Bioreactors









Bioreactors





Filters









Filters





Chromatography







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Mixing Systems





Mixing Systems





Single-Use Sensors









Storage Bags



2D Pillow Bags <50L Small Volume Storage & Transport Bags 3D Bags 50L – 3000L Large Volume Storage & Transport Bags



Tubing





Aseptic Connectors





Aseptic Disconnectors













Clipster Disconnector



Sterile Connections & Disconnections



Biowelder TC



Frozen Storage & Transportation





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Summary





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Aseptic Transfer and Single-Use in Fill/Finish



Aseptic Transfer



Fully customized configuration

- Sterile connectors
- Filters
- Tubing
- Filling Needles
- Ready-to-Use:
 - Gamma Irradiated
 - Double/Triple Bagged
- Lot Release testing
 - Particulates
 - Endotoxins
 - Bioburden

Application Example for System Setup in Isolator











Connection to the Formulation tank/bag

 Fully customized configuration = choice of sterile connectors, approved tubing material, length, diameter, etc...



Final Filtration

- Optional Sterilizing grade filters can be pre-assembled onto the system
- Single, Redundant & PUSIT configurations available
- Flush Bag &/or waste bags can also be incorporated into the assembly





Intermediate/Surge Bag

- Individual / Manifold type
- Inside / Outside of Grade A



Vent Filters

- Allows the bag to "breathe" during the filling process
- Allows N₂ neutralization/overlay for oxygen sensitive products





Peristaltic Dosing Tubing

- Platinum cured silicone / TPE
- Consider Pump type and tubing durometer



Single-Use Filling Needles

- 3 major suppliers
- Product contact is 316L stainless steel or Peek
- Compatible with all filling machines



Bag Inside Configuration





Intermediate bag + dosing lines Transferred Through RTP into Class A

 RTP is used with a Liquid transfer bag to transfer the intermediate bag/filling lines into Grade A/Class 100 filling space

Bag Outside Configuration



Tubing lines transferred Through RTP into Class A

 RTP is used with a liquid transfer bag to transfer the tube lines after peristaltic pump loop into Grade A/Class 100 filling space





Manual Transfer into the Filling Line

- Entire package can be decontaminated with H₂O₂.
 - Concentration of H₂O₂ inside the internal packaging during the decontamination cycle below 0.5 ppm
- Once decontaminated and installed, can be used in combination with another RTP for Liquid Transfer

Turn Around Times

- Variable:
 - Number of fill lines
 - Transfer strategy
 - Average of 15 minutes



Points to consider

- Isolator/RABS
- Dosing System
- System Validation
- Mock-up / FAT / SAT / Commissioning / Qualification
- Intermediate Bag
- Drainability









Aseptic Transfer Systems

Standard uses for Aseptic Transfer Ports:

- 1. Stopper/plunger/cap transfer into Isolator/RABS filling lines
- 2. Single-Use Filling Manifold Transfer into Isolator/RABS filling lines
- 3. Liquid transfer (into Isolator/RABS filling lines or from room-to-room)
- 4. Entrance of Environmental Monitoring equipment into Isolator/RABS filling lines
- 5. Entrance of tools into Isolator/RABS filling lines
- 6. Contained transfer into/out of protected areas (BSL 1,2, +)
- 7. Waste Removal from Isolator/RABs









Aseptic Transfer Port

The surfaces highlighted in yellow are considered "dirty"

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Aseptic Transfer Systems



Internal opening



External opening





Aseptic Transfer



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Steam Sterilizable (Autoclavable) RTP[®] Bags (RTS – Ready to Sterilize)







Used for aseptic entry of:

- Stoppers (prefilled syringe, vial, cartridges)
- Caps
- Tools
- Environmental Monitoring equipment

Options:

- RTP bags delivered open and filled on-site by end-user prior to autoclave (steam) sterilization
- RTP bags prefilled by component manufacturer and delivered ready-to-sterilize by components suppliers for the entry of stoppers.
- RTP bags prefilled by component manufacturer, steam sterlilized and delivered ready-to-use by component suppliers for the entry of stoppers.



Gamma Irradiatable & Irradiated Bags: RTU (Ready-to-Use)





Used for the aseptic entry of:

- Pre-Sterilized Stoppers
- Liquids (RAFT/Final Filling)
- Environmental Monitoring plates

Used for the removal of:

- Waste
- Tools
- QC test devices

Options:

- RTP bags prefilled by component suppliers and delivered Gamma sterilized, ready-to-use, to the end-user
- RTP bags are empty, sealed and delivered Gamma sterilized directly to the end-user for transfer of materials out of the aseptic area



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Thank You

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