





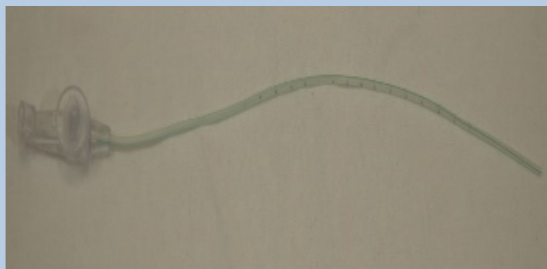
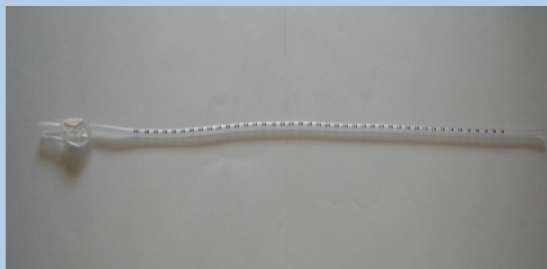






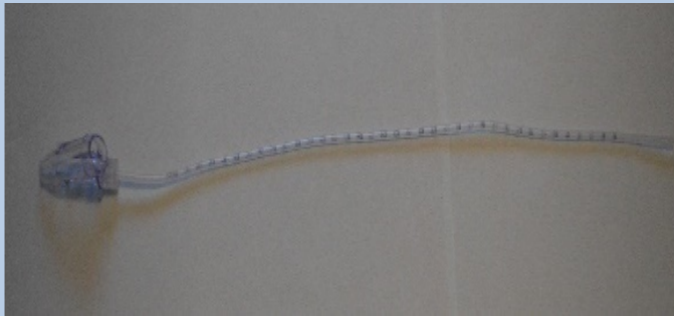
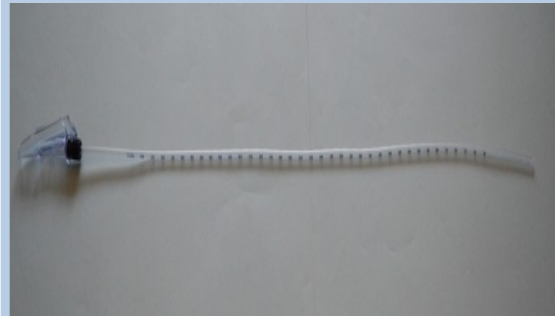

Supplier		Proact Medical	Covidien	Covidien
Brand		Pro-breathe	Argyle: Gentle-flo	Aero-flo
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER NO GRADUATIONS, INTEGRATED FINGERTIP VACUUM CONTROLLER				
<i>Manufacturer's ref ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>		<i>PB-372018, PB-372008, PB-372012, PB-372016,</i>	<i>PB-372006, PB-372010, PB-372014,</i>	<i>2161, 2101, 2121, 2081, 2181, 2141, 2061,</i>
<i>NPC Codes ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>		<i>SQ1268, FSQ1262, FSQ1263, FSQ1264, FSQ1265, FSQ1266, FSQ1267,</i>	<i>FSQ708, FSQ710, FSQ701, FSR935, FSQ704, FSQ698, FSQ699</i>	<i>8888250118 8888250092 8888250126 8888250142 8888250134</i>
NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE		BOX OF 100	EACH	EACH
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	final score	final score	final score
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	✓	NA	N/A
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓		
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗		
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓		
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✗		
	Is the information in English?	✓		
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗	✗	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✓	✓	✓
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging?	✗	✗	✗
	Is the information in English?	✓	✓	✓
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Separate the catheters from each other	✓	✓	✓
The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓	✓	✓
Certain clinical indications require the catheter to have graduations	Does the catheter have graduations?	✗	✗	✗
The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.	Is there an integrated fingertip controller?	✓	✓	✓
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)	★★★★ (2)
Evaluators comments	Packaging - box		No box	No box
	Packaging - catheter	Product name at the bottom of the external wrapper and in multiple languages. Can be opened from the bottom		All the information was at the bottom end of the catheter packaging, information was in multiple languages
	Catheter colour coded	✓	✓	✓

Supplier	Covidien (uk)	Sentra Medical	Pennine
Brand	Argyle: touch-trol	Suction catheter with fingertip control	Prestrol
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER NO GRADUATIONS, INTEGRATED FINGERTIP VACUUM CONTROLLER			
Manufacturer's ref <i>ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>	1180851121 1180851063 1180851105 11880851147 1180851089 1180851162	2007/10FG 2007/8FG, 2007/14FG, 2007/5FG, 2007/24FG, 2007/6FG, 2007/16FG, 2007/22FG, 2007/12FG, 2007/20FG	OSC-1508/48 OSC-1512/48 OSC1514/60 OSC-1514/48 OSC-1512/60 OSC1510/60 OSC1510/48 OSC-1516/60 OSC-1506/48
NPC Codes <i>ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>	FSQ303, FSQ298, FSQ302, FSQ304, FSQ299, FSQ305	FSQ1859, FSQ1858, FSQ1861, FSQ1856, FSQ1866, FSQ1857, FSQ1862, FSQ1863, FSQ1865, FSQ1860, FSQ1864	FSQ995, FSQ424, FSY220, FSQ003, FSY219, FSY218, FSQ000, FSY282, FSQ1190
NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE	Each	BOX OF 100	EACH, FSY282 BOX OF 100, FSQ1190, BOX OF 400 FSQ995
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	final score	final score
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	N/A	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?		✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?		✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?		✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?		✓
	Is the information in English?		✓
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✓	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✓	✓
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging?	✗	✗
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Separate the catheters from each other	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓	✓
The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✓	✗
	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓	✓
	Does the catheter have graduations?	✗	✗
Certain clinical indications require the catheter to have graduations	Does the catheter have graduations?	✗	✗
The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.	Is there an integrated finger tip controller?	✓	✓
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
Evaluators comments	Packaging - box	No box	Information was clear and the box was colour coded to indicate the size of the catheter inside. The information was only on 1 side of the box and the expiry date was hard to find
	Packaging - catheter	All the information was at the bottom end of the catheter packaging, information was in multiple languages	Information was small to read and the expiry date hard to visualise
	Catheter colour coded	✓	✓

Supplier		GBUK
Brand		Suction catheter VKK (Bikacilar)
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER NO GRADUATIONS, INTEGRATED FINGERTIP VACUUM CONTROLLER		
Manufacturer's ref <i>ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>		19112111, 19108111, 19110111, 19106111, 19116111, 19114111, 19118111, 19112111
NPC Codes <i>ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>		FSQ1167, FSQ1165, FSQ1166, FSQ1164, FSQ1169, FSQ1168, FSQ1170
NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE		BOX OF 100
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	final score
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✗
	Is the information in English?	✓
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✗
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging?	✗
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Is the information in English?	✓
	Separate the catheters from each other	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✗
The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✗
	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓
	Does the catheter have graduations?	✗
Certain clinical indications require the catheter to have graduations	Does the catheter have graduations?	✗
The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.	Is there an integrated finger tip controller?	✓
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★★★☆☆ (2)
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★★★☆☆ (2)
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★★★☆☆ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★☆☆ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★☆☆ (2)
Evaluators comments	Packaging - box	Information only on one side
	Packaging - catheter	Catheters came out of the box crumpled. Not easy to open and maintain sterility due to catheters being crumpled. Difficult to open as tabs small.
	Catheter colour coded	✓




Supplier		Vygon	GBUK	GBUK
Brand		Vygon 2 lateral eyes x-ray opaque PVC	Caretip	Tendertip
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER - GRADUATED, INTEGRATED FINGERTIP VACUUM CONTROLLER				
<i>Manufacturer's ref ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>		535.05, 535.06, 535.07, 535.08	CT.02.12.060, CT02.10.048, CT02.07.048, CT02.06.048, CT02.05.048, CT02.08.035, CT02.05.035, CT02.06.035, CT.02.07.035, CT02.10.035, CT02.10.060, CT02.14.048, CT02.14.060, CT02.12.048	TT01-12-050, TT01-05-035, TT01-07-035, TT01-10-035, TT01-07-050, TT01-10-050, TT01-08-050, TT01-06-035, TT01-08-035, TT01-06-050, TT01-10-060, TT01-14-060, TT01-08-050, TT01-12-060
<i>NPC Codes ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>		Lot no's: 011215FG, 160415FG, 161115FG, 160115FG FSQ191, FSQ494, FSY003, FSQ192, FSY003	Lot No's: 15012842, 15020412 FSQ1134, FSQ248, FSQ236, FSQ217, FSQ991, FSQ252, FSQ992, FSQ250, FSQ251, FSQ253, FSQ1132, FSQ1135, FSQ1136, FSQ1138, FSQ248	Lot No's: 11881215, 13241212 FSQ1144, FSQ993, FSQ587, FSQ588, FSQ589, FSQ591, FSQ593, FSQ658, FSQ570, FSQ580, FSQ575, FSQ578, FSQ572, FSQ576
NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE		UOI: BOX OF 50	UOI: BOX OF 100 FSQ1134, FSQ991, FSQ992, FSQ1132, FSQ1135, FSQ1136, FSQ1133, EACH: FSQ236, FSQ217, FSQ252, FSQ250, FSQ251, FSQ253, FSQ238, FSQ248	UOI: FSQ1144, FSQ993 BOX OF 100, FSQ587, FSQ588, FSQ589, FSQ591, FSQ593, FSQ658, FSQ570, FSQ580, FSQ575, FSQ578, FSQ572, FSQ576 EACH
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	final score	final score	final score
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	✗	✓	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗	✗	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✗	✗	✓
	Is the information in English?	✓	✓	✓
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✗	✓	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗	✗	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✗	✓	✓
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging?	✗	✓	✗
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Separate the catheters from each other	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✓	✓	✗
The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓	✓	✓
	Does the catheter have graduations?	✓	✓	✓
	Is there an integrated finger tip controller?	✓	✓	✓
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
Packaging - box	No name on the box only the supplier. Size is not identifiable by colour on the external box		Size not identified on external box by colour	Small text. Size of catheter indicated on external box by colour code
Packaging - catheter	No name only the supplier.		Clear packaging but not easy to remove from the box, open well maintaining sterility of the catheter but can be opened form the bottom.	Difficult to read the packaging, some catheters in the box bent and difficult to then use. Difficult to open from the top as the tabs small
Catheter colour coded	All sizes the same colour		✓	✓
Clarity of Graduations				Easy to read

Supplier		GBUK	GBUK	Westbourne medical
Brand		New Caretip	Caretip delicate	Trach-clear open
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER - GRADUATED, INTEGRATED FINGERTIP VACUUM CONTROLLER				
<i>Manufacturer's ref ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>		CT01.10.035P, CT01.12.060P, CT01-10-060WP, CT01.14.060P, CT01.10.060P, CT01-05-050P, CT01-08-035P, CT01-010-050P, CT01-05-035P, CT01-06-050P, CT-06-035P, CT01-05-050P, CT01-07-050P, CT01-07-035P, CT01-08-050WP	DC01.12.015, MC01.14.010, DC01.07.015, DC.10.015, DC01.06.015,	TC01-12-060, TC01-08-035, TC01-16-060, TC01-10-060, TC01-06-050, TC01-07-050, TC01-08-050, TC01-14-060, TC01-10-035, TC01-10-050, TC01-18-060, TC01-06-035, TC01-140050, TC01-16-050, TC01-05-035, TC01-05-050,
<i>NPC Codes ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>		Lot No's: 15110101, 15110101	LOT NO'S : 16030101	LOT NO'S; 2783
<i>NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE</i>		FSQ1444, FSQ1455, FSQ1141, FSQ1445, FSQ1443, FSQ1449, FSQ1454, FSQ1450, FSQ1451, FSQ1447, FSQ1452, FSQ967, FSQ1448, FSQ1453, FSQ1139	FSQ1153, FSQ1154, FSQ1150, FSQ1152, FSQ1149, FSQ1153	FSQ1476, FSQ1465, FSQ1478, FSQ1475, FSQ1468, FSQ1469, FSQ1470, FSQ1477, FSQ1466, FSQ1471, FSQ1479, FSQ1463, FSQ1473, FSQ1474, FSQ1462, FSQ1467
<i>NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE</i>		UOI: PACK OF 10, FSQ1141, FSQ1139 PACK OF 100, FSQ967 EACHES FSQ1141, FSQ1445, FSQ1443, FSQ1449, FSQ1454, FSQ1450, FSQ1451, FSQ1447, FSQ1452, FSQ1448, FSQ1453, FSQ1139 FSQ1444, FSQ1455	UOI: BOX OF 100	UOI: EACH
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	final score	final score	final score
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	N/A	✓	N/A
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?		✓	
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?		✗	
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?		✓	
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?		✗	
	Is the information in English?		✓	
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗	✗	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✓	✓	✓
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging?	✓	✓	✓
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Separate the catheters from each other?	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✗	✗	✗
The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓	✓	✓
	Does the catheter have graduations?	✓	✓	✓
Certain clinical indications require the catheter to have graduations	Does the catheter have graduations?	✓	✓	✓
The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.	is there an integrated finger tip controller?	✓	✓	✓
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★★★ (1)	★★★ (1)	★★★ (2)
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (1)	★★★ (1)	★★★ (2)
Packaging - box			Clear labelling	
Packaging - catheter		Text was small. Catheter could not be opened from the bottom	Clear print. Catheter could not be opened from the bottom	Difficult to read print on the catheter. Packaging difficult to open from the top. Tore as being opened could compromise sterility of the catheter.
Catheter colour coded		✓	✓	✓
Clarity of Graduations				Easy to read

Supplier		UNOMEDICAL	UNOMEDICAL	PENNINE HEALTHCARE GRADUATED
Brand		Vacutip standard mat METRIC	Vacutip optimal mat	Pennine Healthcare Graduated
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER - GRADUATED, INTEGRATED FINGERTIP VACUUM CONTROLLER				
<i>Manufacturer's ref ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>		12041182, 12047182, 12046182, 12038182, 12088182, 12040182, 12037182, 12085182, 12043182, 12044182 12085182, 12039182, 12088182, 12079182, 12087182, 12090182, 12048182, 12086182	12094182, 12092182, 12095182, 12093182, 12096182	OSC-1208/48, OSC-1812/60, OSC-1206/48, OSC-1207/48, OSC-1210/48, OSC1212/48
<i>NPC Codes ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>		LOT NO'S: 220311, 232274, 226823, 229674, 237414, 210958, 219520, 226811, 236692, 236693	LOT NO'S: 237459, 237428	LOT NO'S: 044614,
<i>NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE</i>		FSQ246, FSQ075, FSY124, FSR000, FSQ007, FSY195, FSR344, FSQ169, FSR386, FSQ074, FSQ619, FSQ070, FSQ077, FSQ179, FSQ136, FSQ138, FSQ618, FSQ076	FSQ162, FSQ156, FSQ154, FSQ168	FSQ938, FSQ1177, FSQ939, FSQ938, FSQ937, FSQ940, FSQ1175, FSQ1178, FSQ1176, FSQ1179
<i>UOI :EACHES</i>		UOI :EACHES FSQ075, FSY124, FSR000, FSQ007, FSY195, FSR344, FSQ169, FSR386, FSQ074, FSQ619, FSQ070, FSQ077, FSQ618, FSQ076 BOX OF 100 FSQ246 , FSQ179, FSQ136, FSQ138	UOI: BOX OF 100	UOI :EACHES. FSQ938, FSQ939, FSQ 937, FSQ940 BOXES OF 400 FSQ1177, FSQ1175, FSQ1178, FSQ1176, FSQ1179
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	final score	final score	final score
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	N/A	✗	N/A
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?		✓	
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?		✗	
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?		✓	
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?		✗	
	Is the information in English?		✓	
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗	✗	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓	✓	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour	✓	✓	✗
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging?	✗	✗	✗
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Is the information in English?	✓	✓	✓
	Separate the catheters from each other	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✗	✗	✗
	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓	✓	✓
	Does the catheter have graduations?	✓	✓	✓
The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.	Is there an integrated finger tip controller?	✓	✓	✓
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★★★ (1)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (1)	★★★ (2)	★★★ (2)
Packaging - box			Print small and only on one side of the box	
Packaging - catheter		Used abbreviations on external packaging	Not full description and abbreviated. Catheter packaging opened well	Text small and difficult to read, multiple languages
Catheter colour coded		✓	✓	
Clarity of Graduations				Difficult to read

Supplier		UNOMEDICAL
Brand		Vacutip coude
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER - GRADUATED, INTEGRATED FINGERTIP VACUUM CONTROLLER		
<i>Manufacturer's ref ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>		12101182
		15390
<i>NPC Codes ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>		FSQ177
NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE		UOI: BOX OF 100
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	final score
<p>The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.</p>	Is the name clearly visible?	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✗
	Is the information in English?	✓
<p>The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging</p>	Is the name clearly visible?	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour?	✓
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging?	✗
<p>The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.</p>	Separate the catheters from each other	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✗
<p>The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.</p>	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓
	Does the catheter have graduations?	✓
<p>Certain clinical indications require the catheter to have graduations</p>	Is there an integrated finger tip controller?	✓
<p>The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.</p>		★★★★ (2)
<p>The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing</p>		★★★★ (2)
<p>The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing</p>		★★★★ (2)
<p>The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.</p>		★★★★ (2)
<p>The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment</p>		★★★★ (2)
<p>The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment</p>		★★★★ (2)
Packaging - box		
Packaging - catheter		Used abbreviations on external packaging
Catheter colour coded		
Clarity of Graduations		

Supplier	vygon			Covidien (uk)	Sentra Medical	
Brand	Vygon de lee			Argyle sure-grip. Tapered end	Suction catheter	
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER - REQUIRES SEPARATE CONNECTOR						
<i>Manufacturer's ref ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>						
<i>NPC Codes ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>						
NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE						
CLINICAL CRITERIA						
	Evaluation Criteria	Final Score		Final Score		
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	✓		N/A		
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓				
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗		✗		
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓		✓		
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour	✗		✓		
	Is the information in English?	✓		✓		
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✓		✓		
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✓		✓		
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗		✗		
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✓		✓		
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour	✗		✓		
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging	✗		✓		
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Is the information in English?	✓		✓		
	Separate the catheters from each other	✓		✓		
	The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓		✓	
		Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✓		✓	
		Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓		✓	
	Certain clinical indications require the catheter to have graduations	Does the catheter have graduations?	✗		✗	
The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.	Is there an integrated finger tip controller	✗		✗		
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★☆☆ (1)		★★★ (2)		
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★☆☆ (1)		★★★ (2)		
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★☆☆ (1)		★★★ (2)		
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)		★★★ (2)		
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★★★ (2)		★★★ (2)		
Evaluators comments	Packaging - box	Size not identified by a colour on external box		No box		
	Packaging - catheter	Can be opened from the bottom		Can be opened from the bottom		
	Catheter colour coded	✗		✓		
	Type of connector	Separate		Separate		

Supplier		Pennine	GBUK	ISKUS Health
Brand		Endobronchial	Suction catheter ideal tip (Bicakcilar)	Suction catheter with 2 lateral eyes
OPEN SUCTION CATHETER - REQUIRES SEPARATE CONNECTOR				
<i>Manufacturer's ref ITALIC = SAMPLES RECEIVED</i>		SC-1020/48, SC-1010/48, SC-1005/48, SC1014/48, SC-1018/48, SC-1016/48, SC-1012/48, SC-1008/48, SC-1006/48	19012851, 19016851, 19020851, 19014851, 19008851, 19006851, 19018851, 19010851	07.078.18.235 07.078.16.235 07.078.12.235 07.078.08.235 07.078.14.235 07.078.06.235 07.078.10.235
<i>NPC Codes ITALIC = NPC CODES EVALUATED</i>		FSQ146, FSQ763, FSQ766, FSQ053, FSQ052, FSQ764, FSQ762, FSQ761	FSQ1157, FSQ1159, FSQ1161, FSQ1769, FSQ1830, FSQ1162, FSQ1160, FSQ1771, FSQ1157	FPA163, FPA160, FPA158, FPA,161, FPA,075, FPA159
NHSSC BAND 1 UNIT OF ISSUE		EACH	BOX OF 100	BOX OF 25
CLINICAL CRITERIA	Evaluation Criteria	Final Score	Final Score	Final Score
The external carton must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with.	Is the name clearly visible?	N/A	✓	N/A
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?		✓	
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?		✗	
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?		✓	
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour		✗	
	Is the information in English?		✓	
The individual catheter packaging must be clearly marked with the name of the product, the supplier, lot no, manufacturer's reference, expiry date catheter size both written and indicated by colour coding, size of tracheostomy tube and endotracheal tube that the catheter is compatible with. Markings must be in the top 1/8 of the catheter packaging	Is the name clearly visible?	✗	✓	✓
	Is the External diameter clearly visible?	✗	✓	✓
	Is the size of Endotracheal/Tracheostomy tube to which it is compatible clearly visible?	✗	✗	✗
	Is the expiry date/Lot number and Manufacturer's clearly visible?	✗	✓	✓
	Is the size identified with a corresponding colour	✓	✓	✓
	Are the identifying marks in the first 1/8 of the catheter packaging	✗	✗	✗
The open suction catheters must be able to be separated from each other without compromising the integrity of the individual catheter.	Separate the catheters from each other	✓	✓	✓
	Can the packaging be opened from the top using a gloved hand?	✓	✓	✓
The open suction catheter can be prepared for clinical use without compromising sterility.	Can the packaging be opened from the bottom using a gloved hand?	✓	✗	✗
	Can the packaging be opened without compromising the sterility of the suction catheter?	✓	✓	✓
Certain clinical indications require the catheter to have graduations	Does the catheter have graduations?	✗	✗	✗
The catheter should include an integrated fingertip vacuum controller.	is there an integrated finger tip controller	✗	✗	✗
The catheter should be easy to attach to pre-cut suction tubing		★ ★ ★ (1)	★ ★ ★ (0)	★ ★ ★ (1)
The catheter should be easy to attach to bubble tubing		★ ★ ★ (1)	★ ★ ★ (0)	★ ★ ★ (1)
The suction catheter must be capable of suctioning the liquid provided with the suction regulator set to 10-13kPa.		★ ★ ★ (1)	★ ★ ★ (2)	★ ★ ★ (1)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the pre-cut tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★ ★ ★ (1)	★ ★ ★ (0)	★ ★ ★ (1)
The catheter should be easy to remove from the bubble tubing without contaminating the staff &/or environment		★ ★ ★ (1)	★ ★ ★ (0)	★ ★ ★ (1)
Evaluators comments	Packaging - box	No box	Name was only on 1 side of the box and the print was small. Size not identified by a colour on external box	No box
	Packaging - catheter	Can be opened from the bottom	Text on catheter package was difficult to read difficult to open from the top	Print was difficult to read in multiple languages
	Catheter colour coded	✓	✓	✓
	Type of connector	Separate	Separate	Separate