

User Guide

Sterivex[™]-GV Sterile Vented Filter Unit, 0.22 µm For Laboratory Use Only

Single Use Only



Introduction

SVGV01015 - Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit without filling bell (15/pk) SVGV010RS - Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit without filling bell (50/pk) SVGVB1010 - Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit with filling bell (10/pk) SVGVL10RC - Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit with Luer-Lok[™] outlet (15/pk)

Sterivex[™]-GV filter units are sterile devices for use in the sterilization of aqueous solutions. They remove microorganisms, particles, precipitates and undissolved powders larger than 0.22 µm. These single-use filter units consist of a Durapore[®] polyvinylidene fluoride (PVDF) membrane sealed around a reinforced plastic core (see diagram in next panel for details).

Solutions containing serum or high levels of ultrafine particles may hinder filtration through 0.22 μ m SterivexTM-GV filter units. However, prefiltering such solutions with a 0.45 μ m

SterivexTM-HV filter unit prior to filtration through the 0.22 μ m filter unit eliminates this problem.

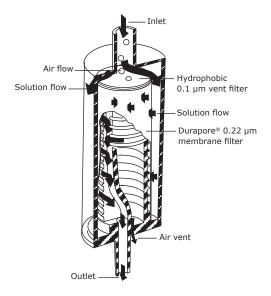
Sterivex[™] filter units can be connected to a syringe, repeating syringe, peristaltic pump, or pressure vessel.

The Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit is a non-toxic, self-venting device capable of withstanding pressures up to 3.1 bar (45 psi).

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Diagram of Sterivex[™]-GV Filter Unit



Precautions

- Do not use this product for direct patient care applications; it was designed for laboratory use only.
- Do not use the Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit at temperatures above 45 °C (113 °F).
- Do not use with syringes smaller than 10 mL because pressures in excess of the maximum pressure rating may be reached, potentially causing damage to the filter unit and/or personal injury.
- Do not exceed pressures of 3.1 bar (45 psi).
- When connecting the Sterivex[™] filter unit inlet to tubing from a peristaltic pump or pressure vessel, use a 6.4 mm (1/4 in.) hose barb to Luer-Lok[™] adapter (cat. no. XX3002564).
- Do not resterilize or reuse the Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit. It is designed for single use only.

Directions for Use with Syringe or Repeating Syringe

- 1. Fill the syringe or place the tubing from the repeating syringe into the flask of solution to be sterilized.
- Peel open the pouch containing the Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit using aseptic technique.
- 3. Attach the syringe to the filter unit and withdraw it from the pouch.

- 4. Push syringe plunger and deliver filtered solution into an application-appropriate container.
- Repeat step 4 as required, then discard the Sterivex[™] GV filter unit appropriately.

Directions for Use with a Peristaltic Pump

- 1. Fill a flask with the solution to be sterilized.
- Prepare a peristaltic pump. For best results, use a pump drive and pump head that can deliver a flow rate of approximately 100 mL/min at a speed of 60 rpm. Load the peristaltic pump head with 4.8 mm (3/16 in.) silicone tubing and attach a 6.4 mm (1/4 in.) hose barb/ Luer-Lok™ adapter to the outlet side of the tubing.

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- 3. Peel open the pouch containing the Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit using aseptic technique.
- Attach the Luer-Lok[™] end of the hose barb/Luer-Lok[™] adapter to the inlet of the filter unit and withdraw it from the pouch.
- 5. Connect the unit to a ring stand and place a sterile collection flask under it.
- Turn on the pump. When filtration is complete, discard the Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit appropriately.

Directions for Use with a Pressure Vessel

- 1. Fill a 5-liter pressure vessel with the solution to be sterilized.
- Prepare the pressure vessel. For best results, pressurize the vessel at 1.0 to 1.4 bar (15 to 20 psi). This generates an average flow rate of approximately 100 mL/min. Attach 4.8 mm (3/16 in.) ID silicone tubing to the outlet of the pressure vessel and attach a 6.4 mm (1/4 in.) hose barb/Luer-Lok™ adapter to the outlet of the tubing.
- Peel open the pouch containing the Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit using aseptic technique.
- Attach the Luer-Lok[™] end of the hose barb/Luer-Lok[™] adapter to the inlet of the filter unit and withdraw it from the pouch.
- 5. Connect the unit to a ring stand and place a sterile collection flask under it.
- Turn on the pressure vessel. When filtration is complete, discard the Sterivex[™]-GV filter unit appropriately.

Specifications

Materials	Durapore [®] hydrophilic PVDF membrane
	Durapel™ hydrophobic PVDF vent filter Copolyester housing and core Copolyester filling bell with polyethylene cap
Pressure limit at 25 °C	3.1 bar (45 psi)
Average water flow rate	100 mL/min at 1.4 bar (20 psi)
Filter pore size	Durapore [®] GV membrane: 0.22 µm
	Durapel™ vent filter: 0.1 µm
Filtration area	10 cm² (1.55 in²)
Temperature limit	45 °C (113 °F)
Sterility	Gamma irradiated; meets current United States Pharmacopeia (USP) criteria for sterile products
Toxicity	Non-toxic (meets USP criteria)
Connections	Inlet: female Luer-Lok™ fitting Outlet: male tubing adapter, 3.3 mm (0.13 in.) OD
	or male Luer-Lok™ fitting
Dimensions	
Diameter	Filter without filling bell: 1.7 cm (0.67 in.) Filter with filling bell: 5.5 cm (2.2 in.)
Length	Filter without filing bell: 6.9 cm (2.7 in.) Filter with filing bell: 8.7 cm (3.4 in.) Filter with Luer-Lok™ outlet: 8.0 cm (3.1 in.) Filter with Luer-Lok™ outlet: 8.0 cm (3.1 in.)

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