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Sterrad® Incompatibility

Problem:

Damage to both the SLT and LAP transducers after sterilization in the Sterrad® System has recently been observed. Damage has been primarily to the circuit board in the transducer connector, although cable and laparoscope damage may also be occurring.

Solutions:

- 1) It is recommended to discontinue use of the Sterrad® System for sterilization of SonoSite® transducers until further notice.
- 2) Steris® System 1® is an acceptable sterilization method for both the LAP and SLT transducers. Refer to the Surgical Transducer User Guide or the LAP Transducer User Guide provided with your transducer for more information.
- 3) High level disinfection combined with the use of a sterile sheath is an acceptable sterile technique for the SLT transducer. A current listing of disinfectants can be found at www.sonosite.com. This is not an acceptable practice for use with the LAP transducer.

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