

Permission to print:	Yes
Near Miss or Accident	Near Miss
Type of incident:	Equipment
Catagory	Arterial Filter
Knowledge Error	No
Protocol Issue	No
Rule Error	No
Skill Error	No
Team Issue	No
Violation	No
Chance/Chance event:	No
Description:	Blood primed infant circuit and noticed air in [Pall] ALF (AL 3). De-aired but more air kept appearing. Spent several minutes de-airing successfully only for more air to appear. Bubble alarm [proximal to the ALF] was not going off so assumed ALF was responsible. Asked colleague to look, with the same result. Ended up changing out ALF during blood prime.
Contributing factors:	? Crack in seal of ALF
Corrective action:	Changed out ALF - returned device to supplier for analysis
Preventative action plan:	n/a
Manufacturer advised:	Yes
Discussed with team:	Yes
Ext Authority Advised	Yes
Patient outcome variance f	Nil