

2018 Arterial Filter

Permission to print:	Yes
Incident type	Good Catch Near Miss
Type of incident:	Equipment
Category	Arterial Filter
Description:	The arterial line filter "inlet connector" snapped in half while priming/de-airing. A clamp was used to de-air the tubing, the arterial line filter was inverted and tapped with the palm of the hand. Once re-positioned upright, the arterial inlet connector snapped.
GOOD CATCH - what went well	This happened during priming and not on bypass. A few colleagues were around to help repair the circuit.
Preventive actions	Removed and replaced the damaged arterial filter and attached tubing.
Manufacturer advised:	Yes
Discussed with team:	Yes
Ext Authority Advised	No
Hospital incident filed:	Yes
Knowledge issue	No
Rule issue	No
Skill issue	No