

2018 Blood loss

Permission to print: Yes

Incident type: Good Catch No Harm Incident

Type of incident: Equipment

Category: blood loss

Description: We just had an issue with a faulty blood reinfusion bag, in processing kit #1801110225, 225 mls bowl set Sorin Xtra autotransfusion device 225ml Bowl processing kit ref # 04257 lot # 1801110225 When processing over 1000mls ,at the end of the procedure (avr, cryoablation, 4 grafts) there was a split/ cut in the bag , just under the label (horizontal across the bag) , which was not detected when the circuit was first set up. This created a large mess, loss of all processed blood and very luckily it was used on this operation, not the next case which was a Jehovah witness, little old lady. The patients Hb post bypass was 11.5, hence the loss of blood did not compromise the patient in theatre re requiring a blood transfusion

GOOD CATCH - what went well nothing

Preventive actions: all bags to be inspected , when they are set up on the device from now on, unit protocol to check will be included.

Manufacturer advised: Yes

Discussed with team: Yes

Ext Authority Advised: No

Hospital incident filed: Yes

Knowledge issue: No

Rule issue: No

Skill issue: No