Octopus Cannula-Care with Bionector
The 7 Day/150 Access, Closed, Needle-Free, IV Access System

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Safe
Simple
Economic

The range now includes anti-reflux valves as per MHRA alert MDA/2007/089
The Problem

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1. Prime each lumen of the Octopus with 0.9% Sodium Chloride solution and apply each slide clamp.

2. Remove the obturator from the cannula whilst occluding the vein to minimise blood spillage.

3. Attach the Octopus to the female hub of the cannula by turning the Octopus clockwise until finger tight. The Octopus is now ready to use.

References


