

INSTRUMENTATION

Winner: Surgimark Via-Guard

Product description and innovation synopsis:

The Via-Guard surgical suction set combines two independent classic suction instruments, the Yankauer and the Poole, into one convenient device that serves both functions, Tip and Poole suction. The Yankauer tip mode is easily converted to Poole mode with the Via-Guard converter sleeve. Without changing instruments, surgeons can change suction mode.

The patented design is unique in the healthcare industry.

What sets this product apart from others available in the industry?

Designed with instrument grade quality, both plastic and stainless steel, the Via-Guard is disposable with unparalleled clog-free performance. Made in three models – STANDARD Plastic Yankauer, VASCULAR Stainless-Steel Andrews-Pynchon, and CLASSIC Stainless-Steel Yankauer – the Via-Guard offers a unique solution that covers most surgical suction needs that may be required throughout all major surgical disciplines. No other suction instrument offers this degree of performance, versatility, or efficiency.

How does this product benefit the surgical team and aid in better outcomes?

Disposable

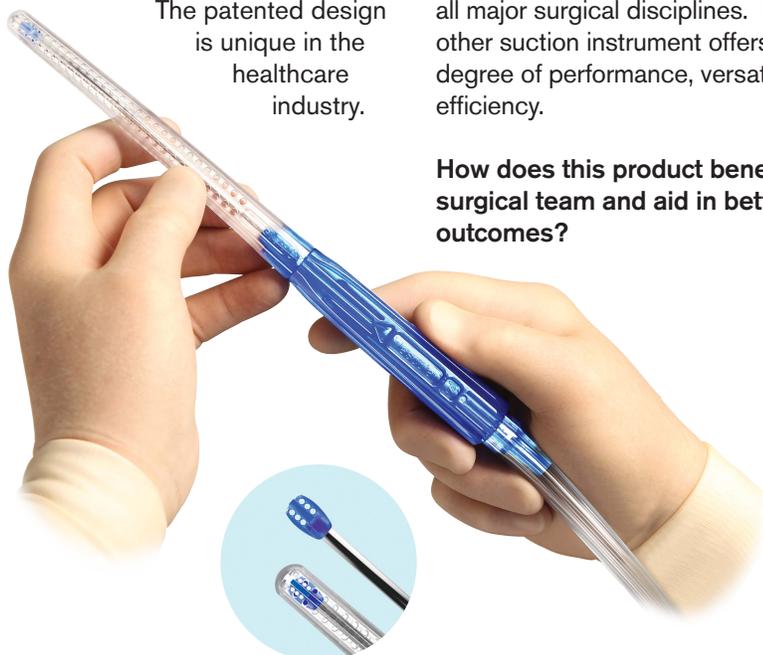
- Always clean and sterile
- Consolidates inventory
- Eliminates reprocessing
- Eliminates risk of SSIs caused by uncleanable suction instruments

Instrument grade quality

- Replaces existing inventories of suction instruments with one device of instrument grade quality and superior clog-free performance.
- Streamlines supply chain and inventory management.

Clog-free superior performance

- Improves surgical efficiency by removing fluids and irrigation from body cavities and wounds without clogging. This improves efficiency, work flow, and visibility while protecting patients from suction injury to soft tissues.
- Instrument grade quality provides ergonomic features that deliver confidence, control, and precision to the hands of the end users.



Yankauer suction tip

The **Yankauer suction tip** (pronounced yangˈkow-er)^[1] is an oral suctioning tool used in medical procedures. It is typically a firm plastic suction tip with a large opening surrounded by a bulbous head and is designed to allow effective suction without damaging surrounding tissue. This tool is used to suction oropharyngeal secretions in order to prevent aspiration.^[2] A Yankauer can also be used to clear operative sites during surgical procedures and its suctioned volume counted as blood loss during surgery.

Developed around 1907 by American otolaryngologist Sidney Yankauer (1872–1932), the Yankauer suction instrument has become the most common medical suction instrument in the world.



Yankauer Suction Tip

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Steel Reusable Suction Instruments

Yankauer Suction Tip - Steel Reusable



Andrews-Pynchon (Baby Yankauer/Vascular) Suction Tip - Steel Reusable



Poole Suction Tip - Steel Reusable

