



# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories

Hygiene & Reprocessing Training Material

Start >

# Disclaimer

This training material is a summary of the steps necessary to properly reprocess endoscopic components & accessories. Always follow the detailed steps instructed in the latest ENDOSCOPE INSTRUCTION FOR USE (REPROCESSING MANUAL).

Any content or information („Content“) presented herein is illustrative in nature and does not guarantee or represent specific information, outcomes, or results. Olympus Corporation and its subsidiaries, affiliates, directors, officers, employees, agents, and representatives (collectively „Olympus“) does not represent to or warrant the accuracy or applicability of the Content. Under no circumstances shall Olympus be liable for any costs, expenses, losses, claims, liabilities, or other damages (whether direct, indirect, special, incidental, consequential, or otherwise) that may arise from, or be incurred in connection with, the Content or any use thereof.



Click on the „I agree“-button to start

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories

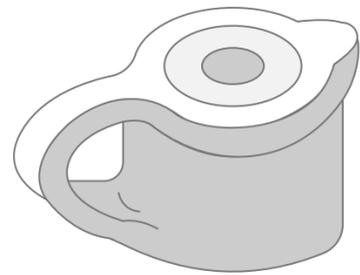


During reprocessing, the inner and outer surfaces need to get in contact with cleaning & disinfection solutions and rinse water

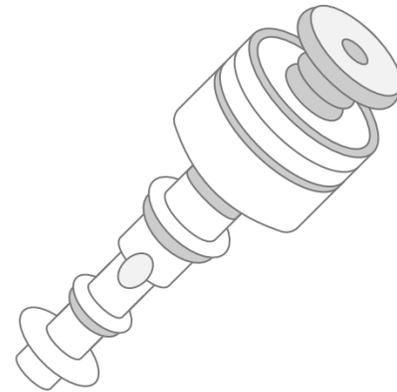
- Some components / accessories used for manual cleaning / disinfection must be reprocessed **separately** from the endoscope with exactly the same steps as the endoscope itself

- Some other accessories are manually cleaned / disinfected **with** the endoscope during the manual cleaning and disinfection of the endoscope

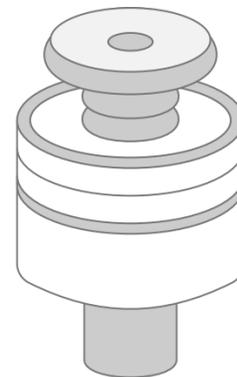
## Examples\*:



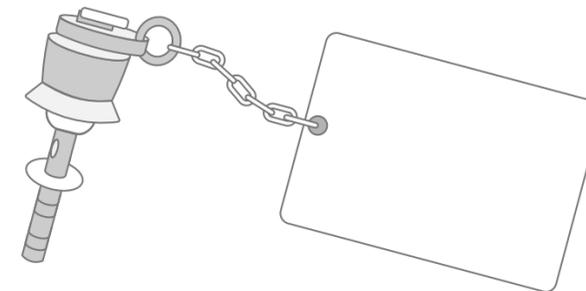
Biopsy valve  
(MB-358)



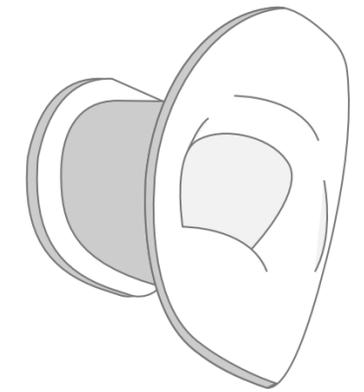
Air/water valve  
(MH-438)



Suction valve  
(MH-443)



AW channel cleaning  
adapter (MH-948)



Mouthpiece  
(MB-142)

\*Source: Olympus

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories

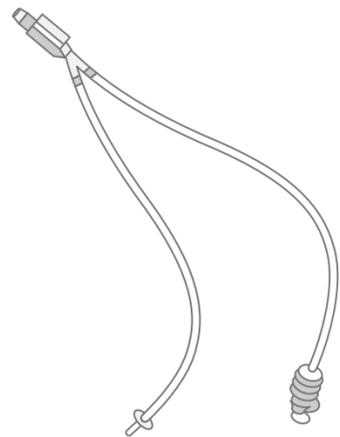


During reprocessing, the inner and outer surfaces need to get in contact with cleaning & disinfection solutions and rinse water

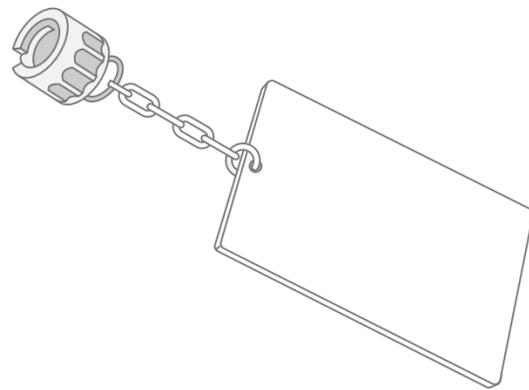
- Some components / accessories used for manual cleaning / disinfection must be reprocessed **separately** from the endoscope with exactly the same steps as the endoscope itself

- Some other accessories are manually cleaned / disinfected **with** the endoscope during the manual cleaning and disinfection of the endoscope

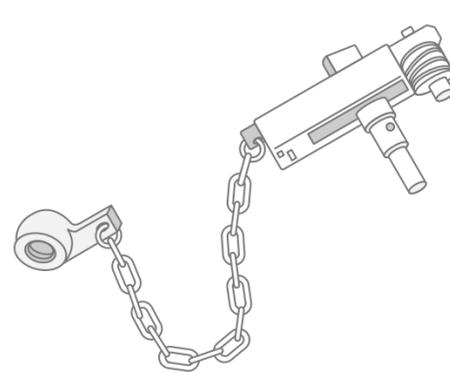
## Examples\*:



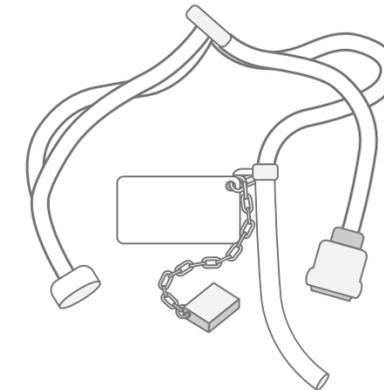
Suction cleaning adapter  
(MH-856)



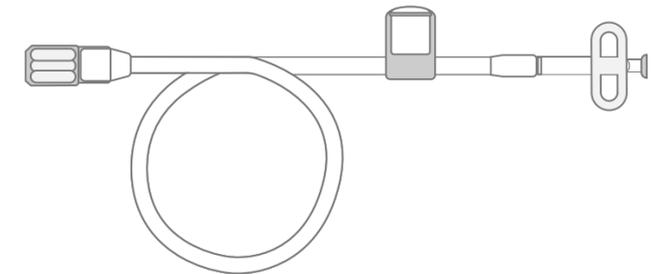
ETO cap  
(MB-156)



Channel plug  
(MH-944)



Injection tube  
(MH-946)



Auxiliary water tube  
(MAJ-855)

\*Source: Olympus

# Cleaning of Endoscopic Components & Accessories

## Purpose

Remove any organic residues and other substances from the medical device

- Wash off
- Any following reprocessing step like disinfection and sterilization might be ineffective if there are any residues left on the device

## Cleaning

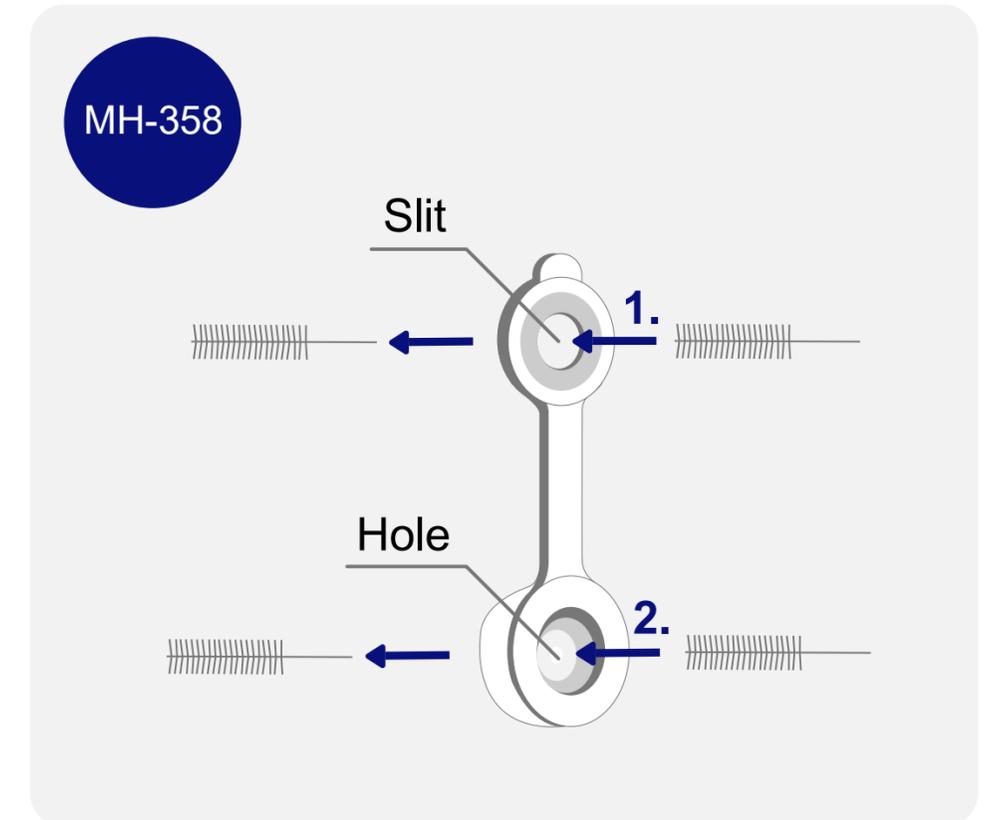
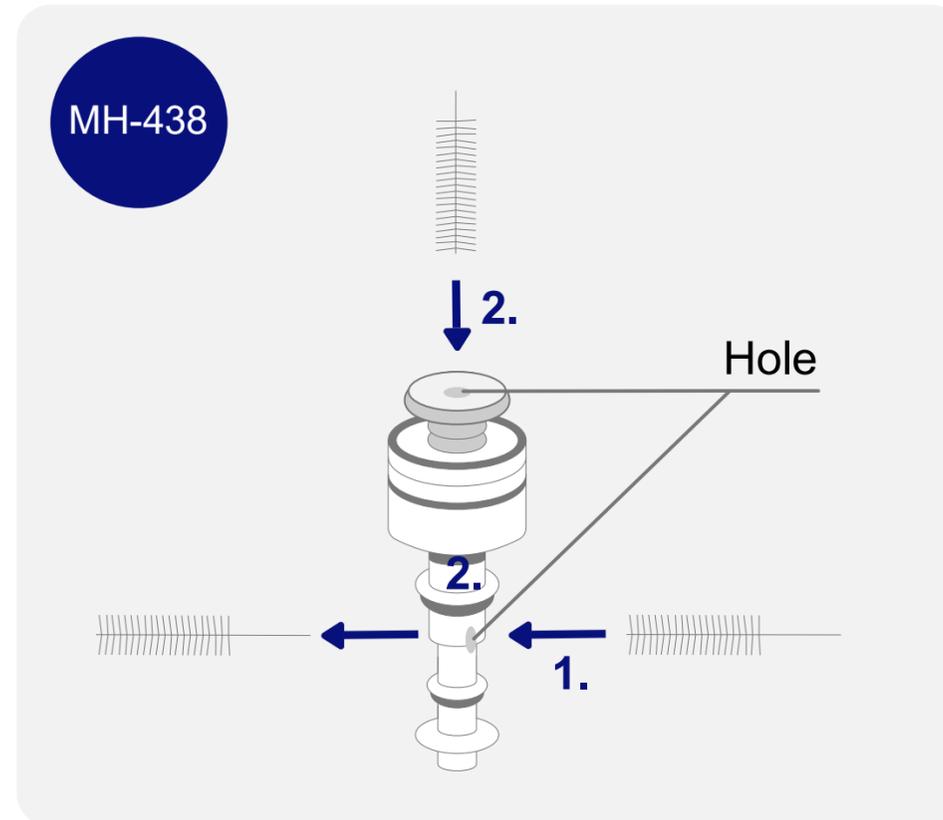
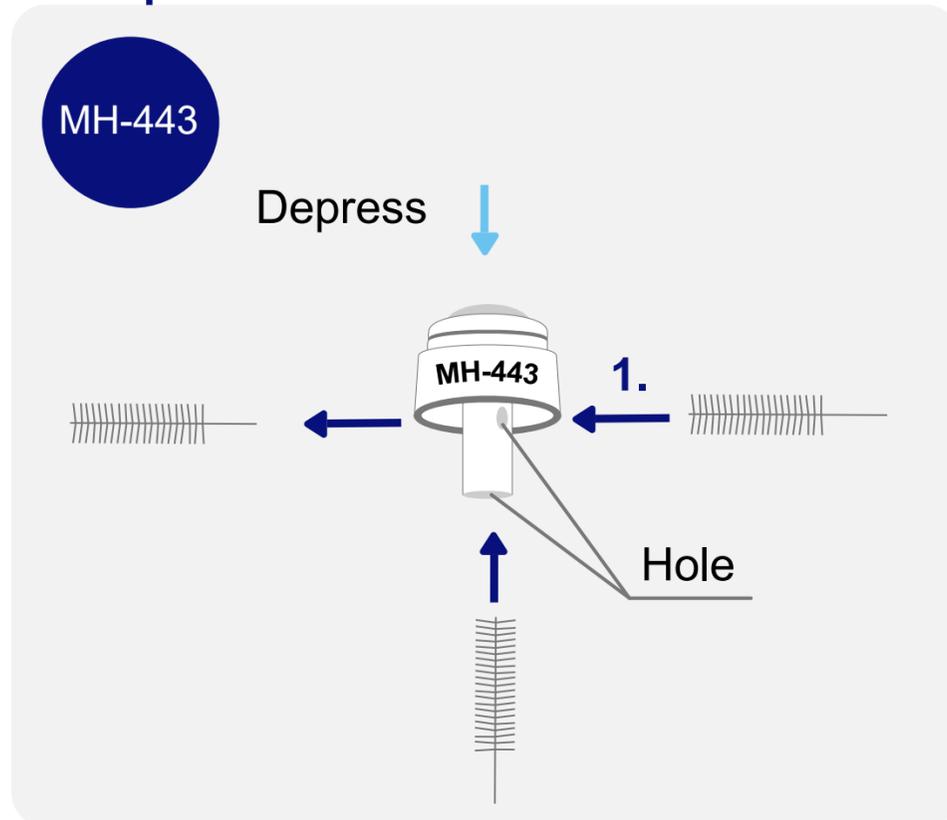
## Methods

- Automated
  - In a washer-disinfector (WD) / endoscope washer-disinfector (EWD/AER) according to EN ISO 15883
- Manually
  - At room temperature with cleaning chemicals, e.g. enzymes, mild alkaline (pH < 10.8)
  - Always follow the cleaning chemical manufacturers' instructions in terms of concentration, exposure time, temperature
  - Eventually including ultrasound bath (IFU)

**Whenever possible according to IFU:  
Automated reprocessing is the preferred method!**

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

## Examples\*:



\*Source: Olympus

All components as well as accessories used for cleaning must be reprocessed with exactly the same steps as the endoscope itself:

- Clean the **external** surfaces
- Valves have to be brushed as described in the IFU

Valves pose a high risk of cross-contamination if not reprocessed correctly

Click on the buttons for further information.

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

Flush the components / accessories with detergent solution

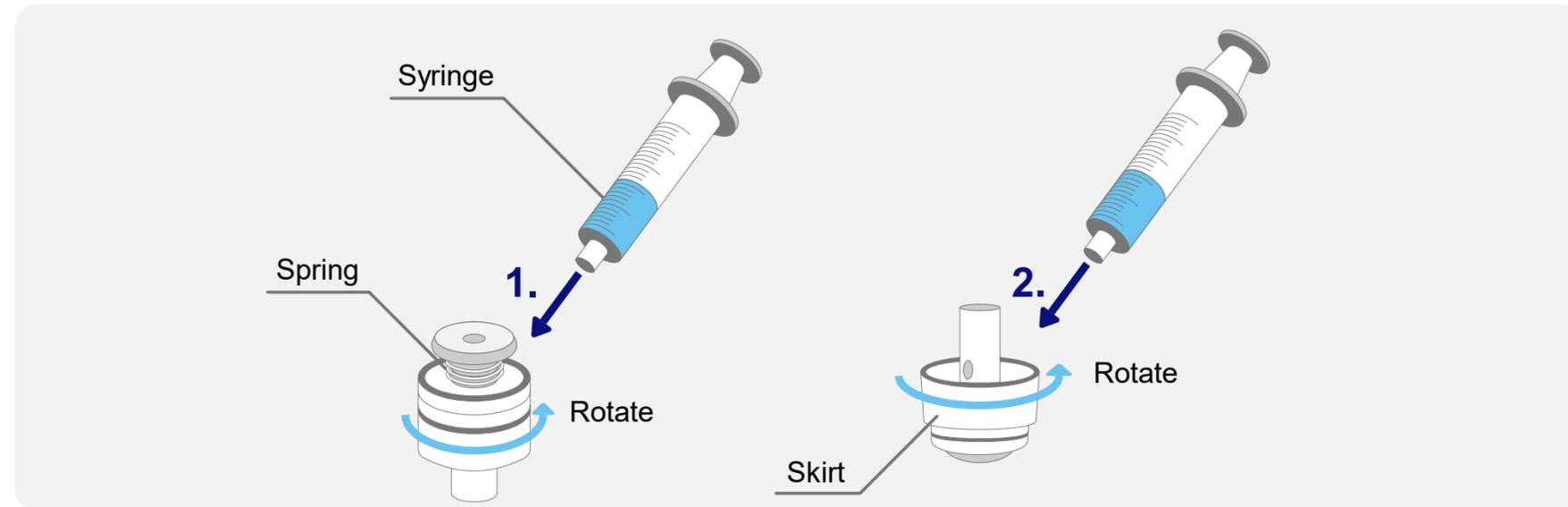
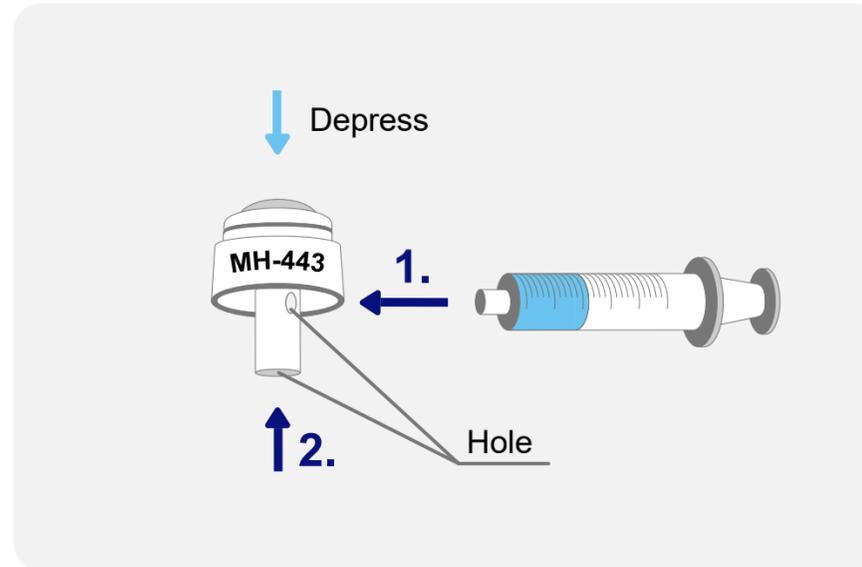
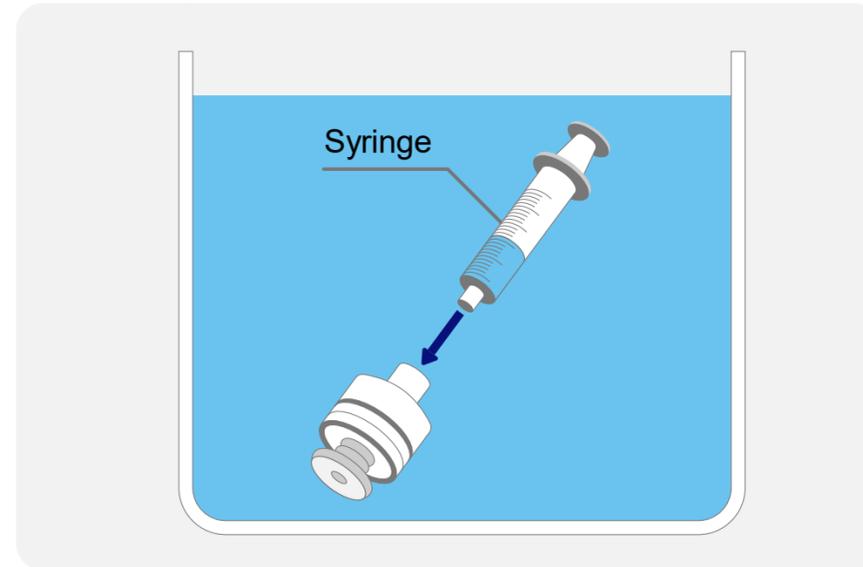
Examples\*:

MH-443

MH-438

MH-948

MB-358



MH-856

MH-946

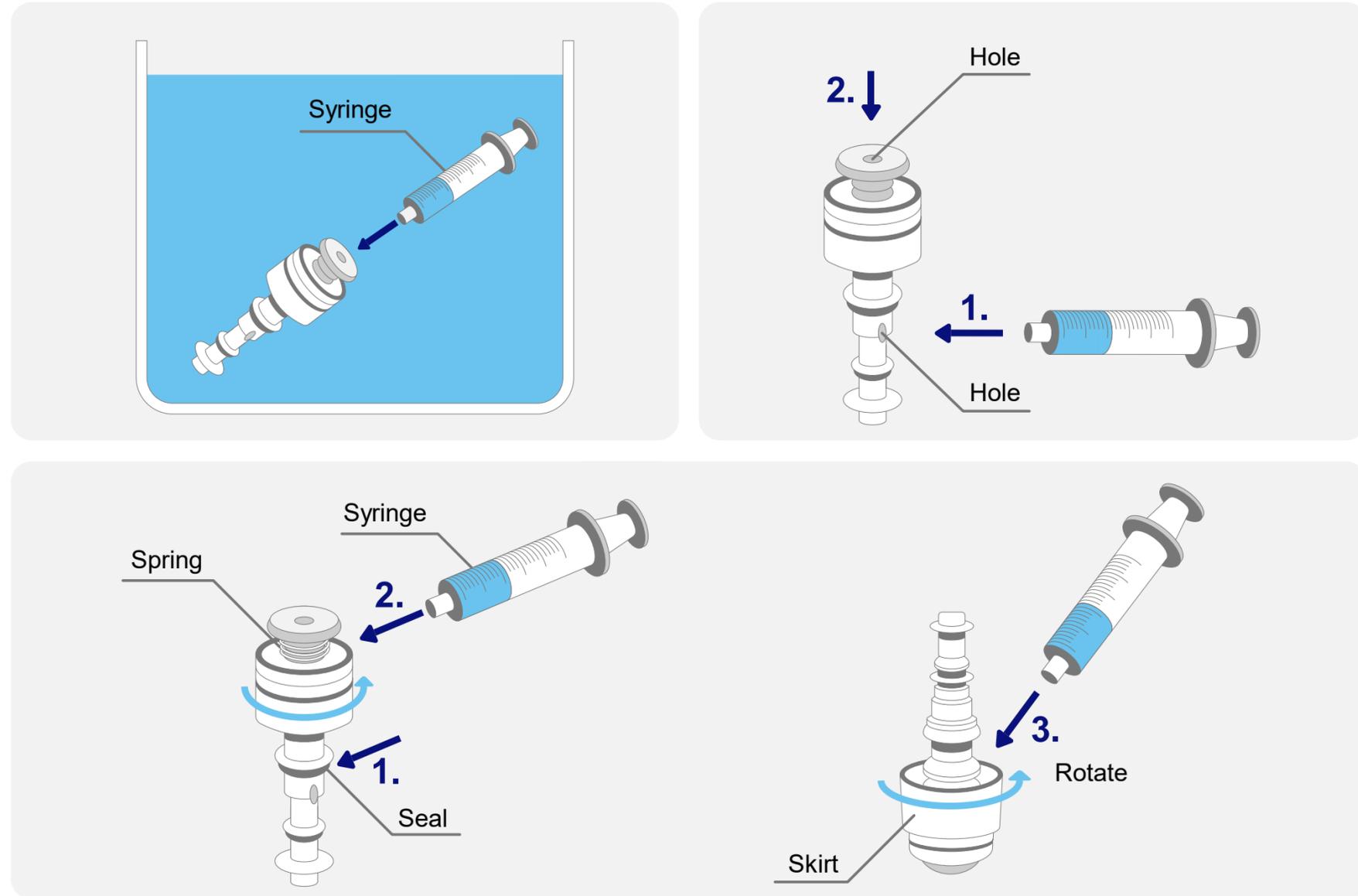
MH-944

\*Source: Olympus

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

Flush the components / accessories with detergent solution

Examples\*:



\*Source: Olympus

MH-443

MH-438

MH-948

MB-358

MH-856

MH-946

MH-944

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

Flush the components / accessories with detergent solution

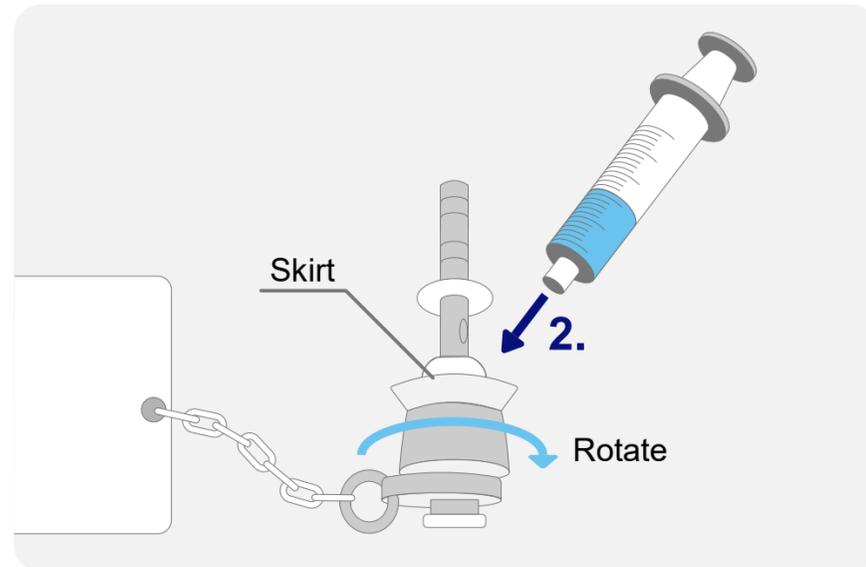
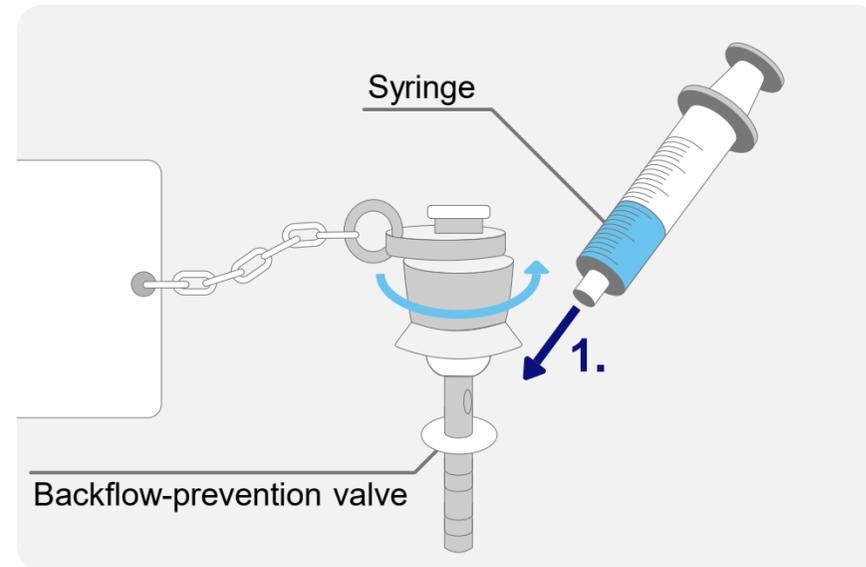
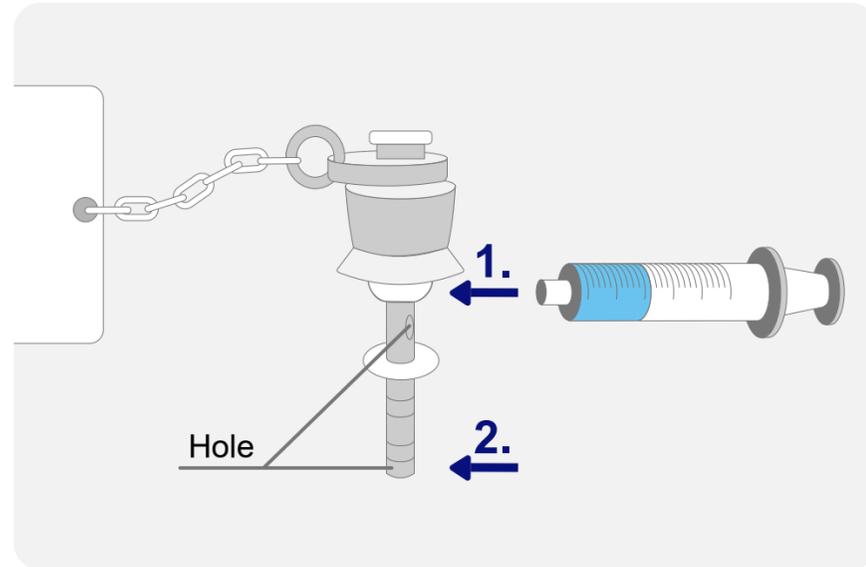
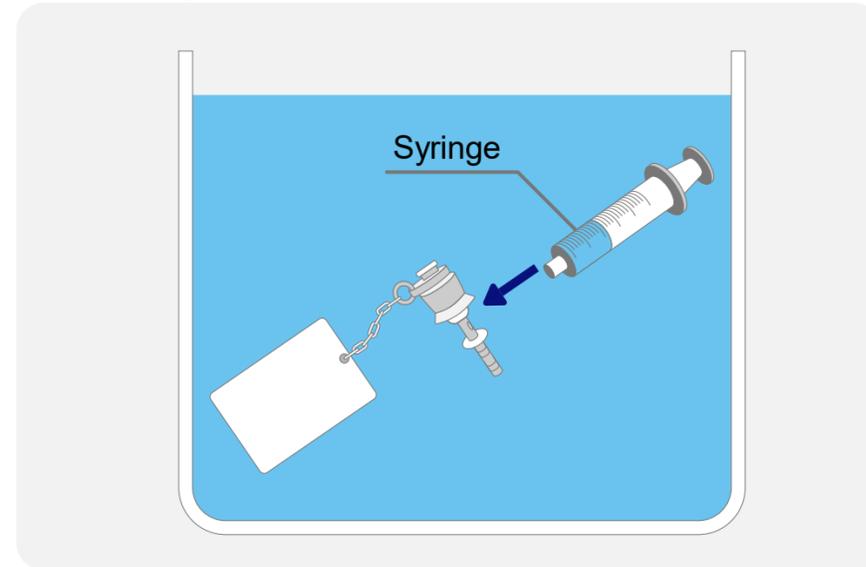
Examples\*:

MH-443

MH-438

MH-948

MB-358



MH-856

MH-946

MH-944

\*Source: Olympus

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

Flush the components / accessories with detergent solution

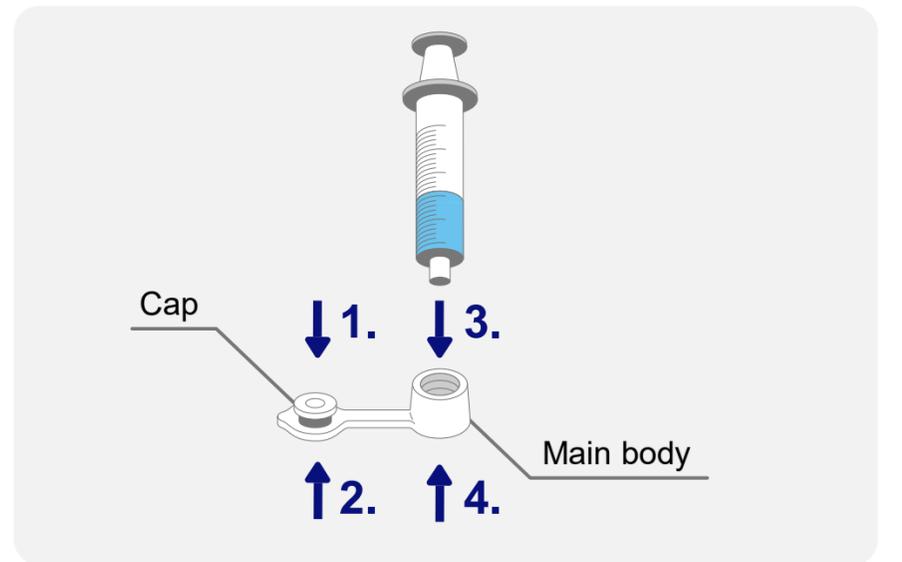
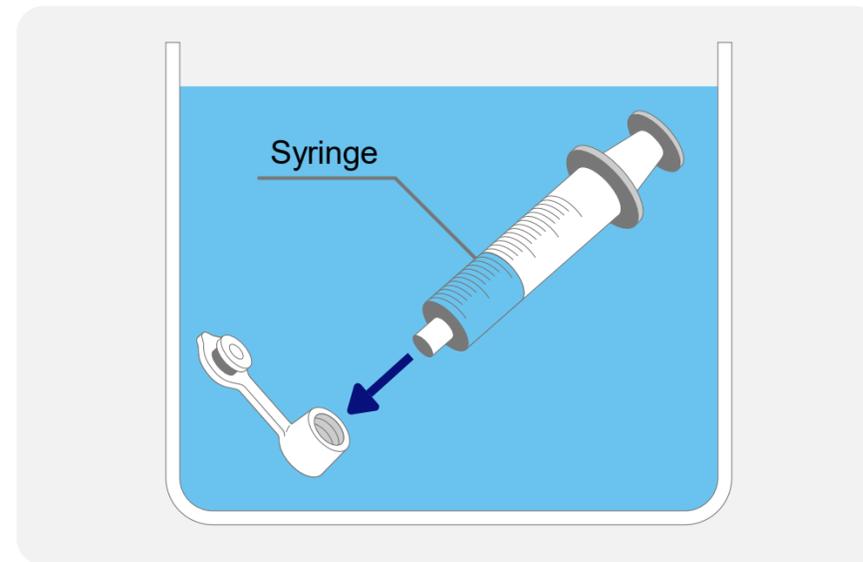
MH-443

MH-438

MH-948

MB-358

Examples\*:



\*Source: Olympus

MH-856

MH-946

MH-944

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

Flush the components / accessories with detergent solution

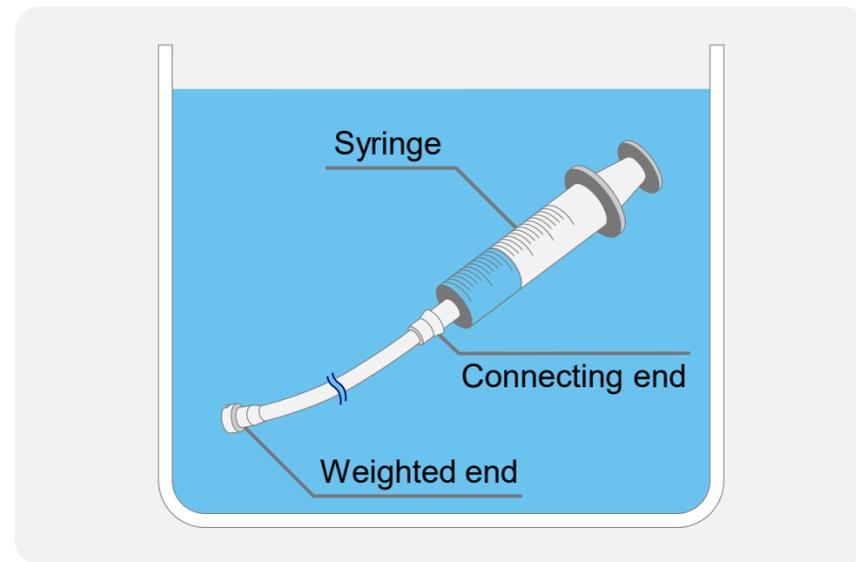
MH-443

MH-438

MH-948

MB-358

Examples\*:



\*Source: Olympus

MH-856

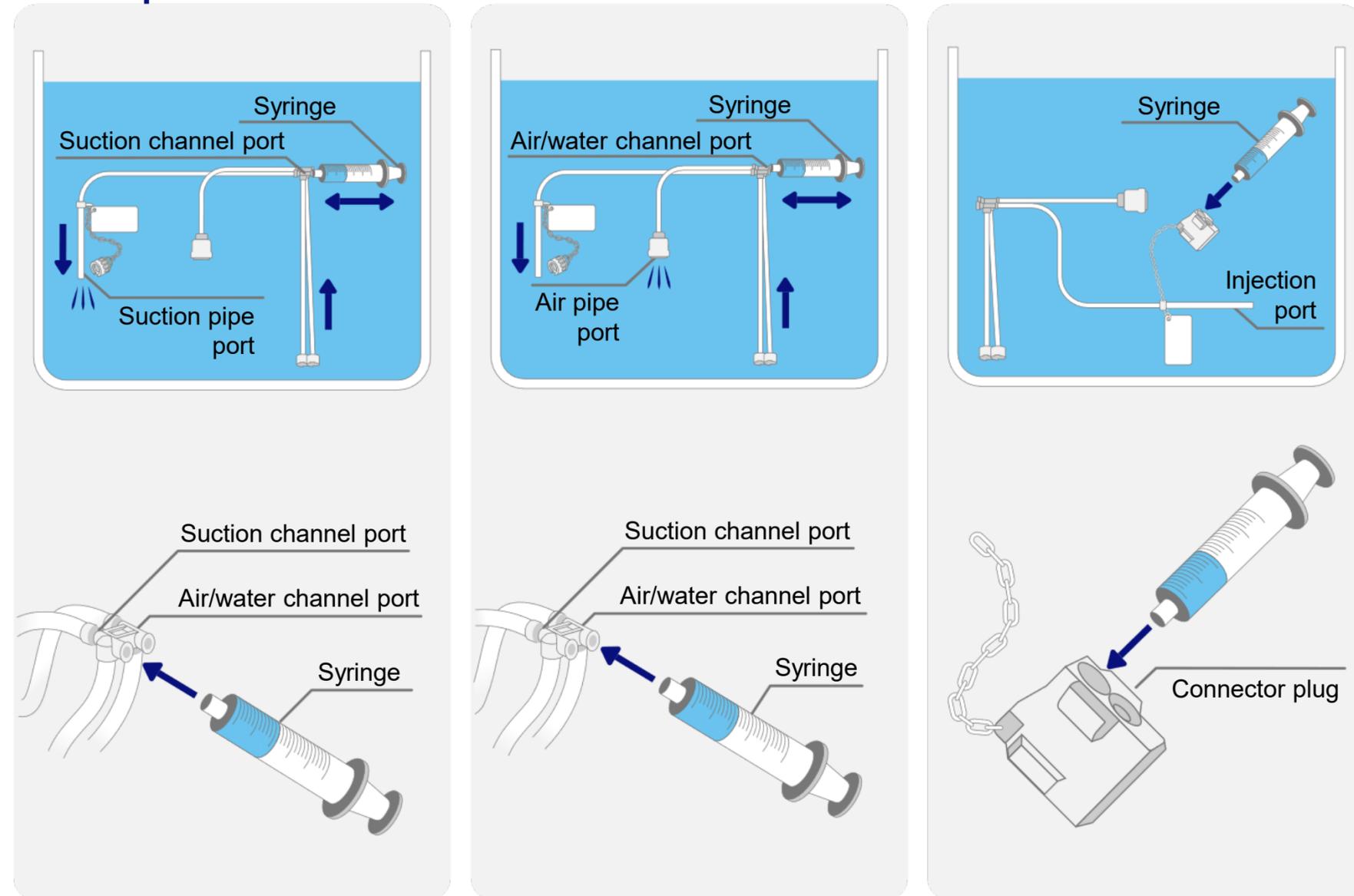
MH-946

MH-944

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

Flush the components / accessories with detergent solution

Examples\*:



\*Source: Olympus

MH-443

MH-438

MH-948

MB-358

MH-856

MH-946

MH-944

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

**Rinse** the components / accessories to remove all detergent

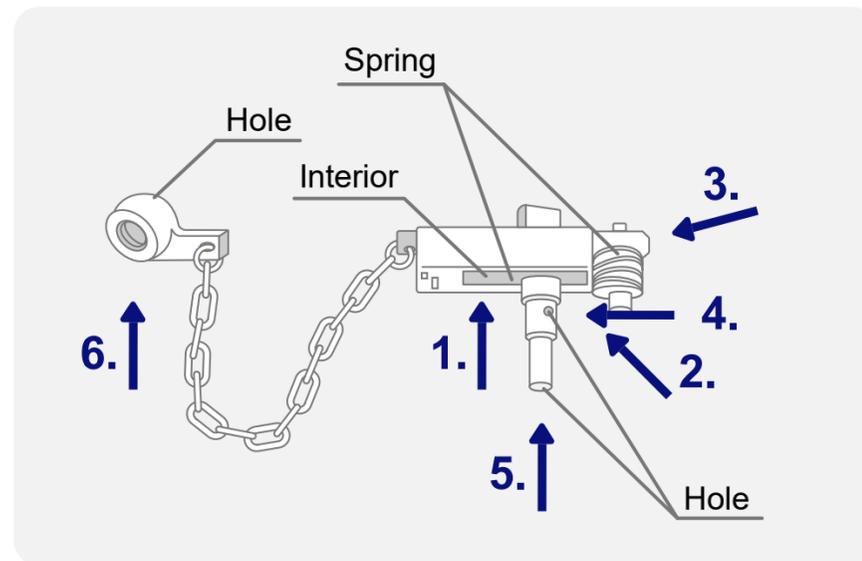
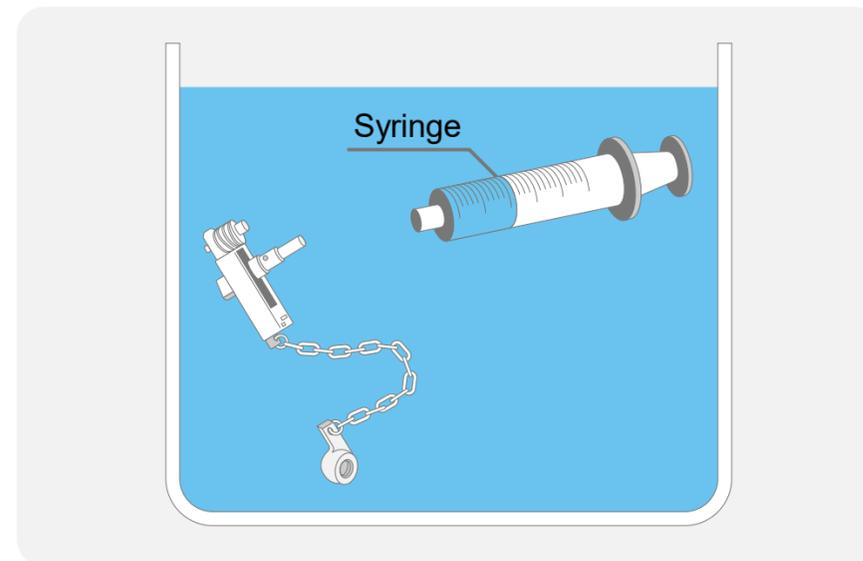
MH-443

MH-438

MH-948

MB-358

Examples\*:



\*Source: Olympus

- Immerse the accessories in water
- Depress and release the valves
- Flush cleaning adapters
- Dry external surfaces

MH-856

MH-946

MH-944

# Disinfection

## Purpose

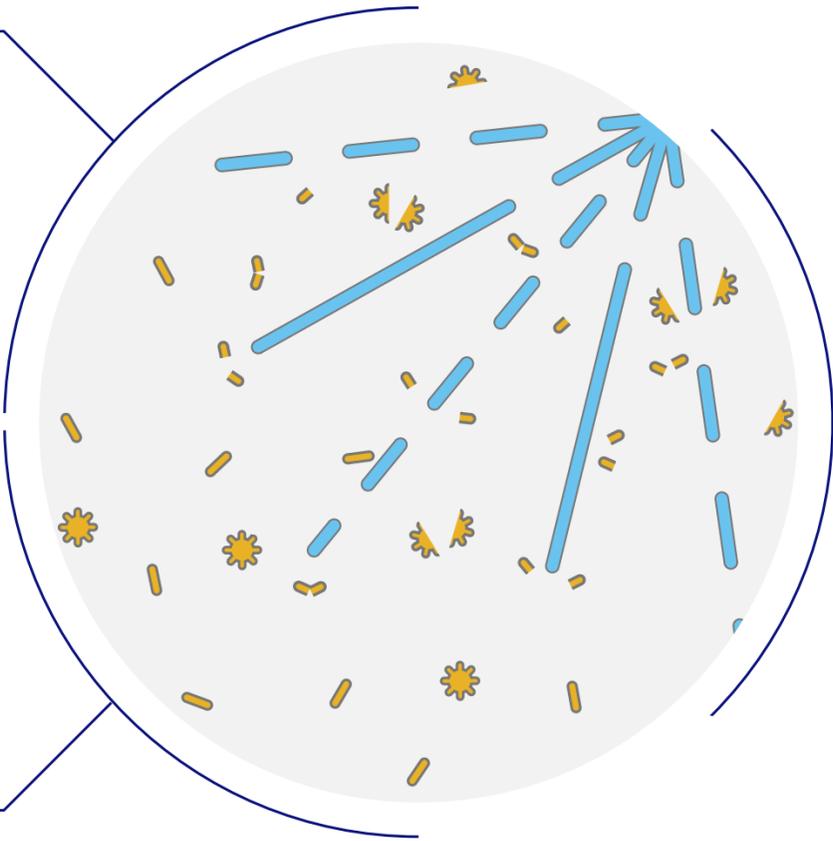
Killing / inactivation of microorganisms except for large numbers of bacterial spores

- Medical product does not pose a risk of infection

## Methods

**Automated** in a WD and/or EWD/AER according to EN ISO 15883

- Chemo-thermal at max. temperature 60 °C
- Thermal without chemicals at approx. 90 °C ( $A_0$  concept)



**Manually** at room temperature with minimum disinfectant activity:

- Bactericidal (incl. mycobactericidal)
- Fungicidal
- Virucidal (sporicidal)

Glutardialdehyde (GDA)

Peracetic acid (PAA)

Always follow the chemical manufacturers' instructions in terms of concentration, exposure time & temperature

# Reprocessing of Heat Stable Endoscopic Components & Accessories in a WD

## Thermal disinfection

- Preferred method for heat stable medical devices!

$A_0$  concept for thermal disinfection with moist heat in a WD

- $A_0$  is defined as time equivalent in seconds at 80 °C for microorganisms having a Z-value of 10
- According to EN ISO 15883-1 the minimum  $A_0$  value of a WD should be 600 to a maximum of not less than 3000

$A_0$ value	Temperature	Holding time
600	90 °C	1 min
600	80 °C	10 min
3000	90 °C	5 min

# Reprocessing of Endoscopic Components & Accessories (manually)

## Disinfection by

- Flushing all accessories with disinfectant solution
- Immersing all accessories
- Detaching all adapters

Take care on the exposure time

## Disinfection & Rinsing

**Rinsing** two times with water of adequate water quality and air purge to expel residue water

Optional  
(depending on local regulations):

- PLUS alcohol flush

# Drying

Remove the accessories from the rinse basin and place them into a sterile basin

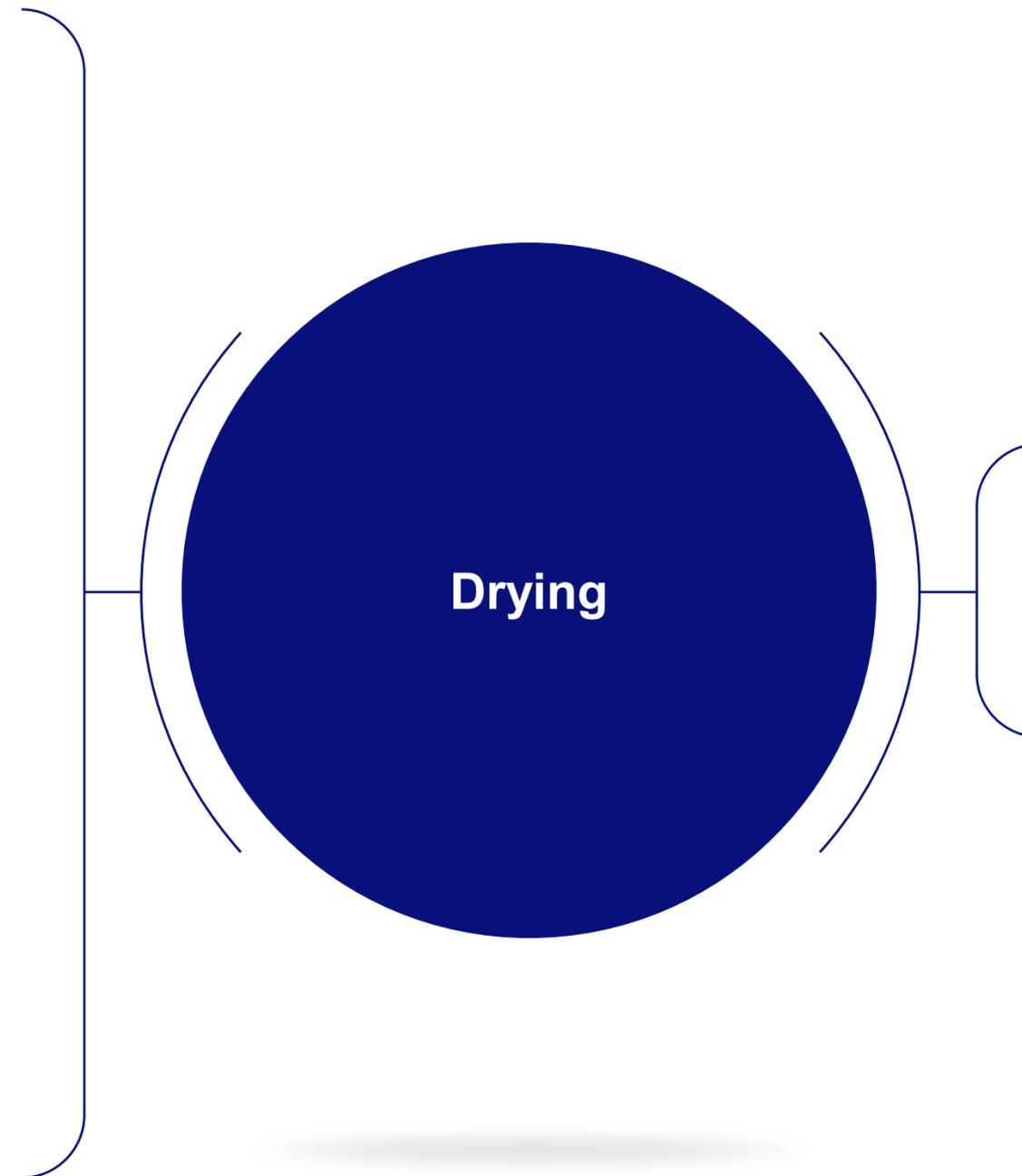
- **Purge** the channels with **air of a quality defined in local regulation**

Never touch the reprocessed accessories with the air gun

**Wipe** all accessories from outside with a lint-free, sterile cloth

Optional  
(depending on local regulations):

- Potable water + 70 % isopropyl or ethyl alcohol



If accessories have to be sterilized:

- Prepare them for sterilization (wrapping, packaging)

# Sterilization

Validated process used to render product free from viable microorganisms (Source: EN ISO 11139)

Required for **critical** medical devices (Spaulding classification)

Procedure	Method	
Thermal	By steam sterilization 134 °C – 137 °C, 3 bar, 3 - 18 min.	The most common method <b>for heat stable</b> , critical, surgical <b>instruments whenever possible</b>
Chemical	Ethylenoxide, Formaldehyde Low temperature < 60°C	EO used to be very common <b>for heat sensitive, critical instruments</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>▪ But: EO is toxic and has to degas for a long time</li></ul>
Hydrogen peroxide	Low temperature < 60 °C	More and more common <b>for heat sensitive critical instruments</b>

At all times, please follow the IFUs.

**OLYMPUS**

---

 Restart