

I would like to confirm the following points in relation to the compatibility of Karl Storz flexible endoscopes and the Ethylene Oxide gas sterilization equipment produced by Andersen Products:

- Processing of both fibreoptic and video flexible endoscopes in an Andersen Products EtO system, performed in the UK, showed no adverse effects on the materials of the instruments.
- These results confirm the work performed by Karl Storz in Germany (Manufacturer of the endoscopes) which showed that Karl Storz fibreoptic and video flexible endoscopes are compatible with sterilization systems using EtO gas at 100% concentration.

I can therefore confirm that all Karl Storz flexible endoscopes can be sterilized\* using the Andersen Products EtO sterilisation systems.

\*NOTE: This statement refers purely to material compatibility of the Karl Storz instruments with the Andersen Products sterilisation systems. We cannot comment on the efficacy of these systems in rendering the endoscopes sterile. For this information please contact Andersen Products directly.

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