

# Πρώτη γνωριμία με το Single Use Flexible Bronchoscope



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- Διαγνωστικά: BAL, επισκόπηση βρογχικού δέντρου, washing
- Θεραπευτικά: θεραπευτική αναρρόφηση, διακοπή αιμορραγίας, αφαίρεση ξένου σώματος, υποβοηθητικά σε διασωλήνωση ασθενούς και επίσης υποβοηθητικά σε τραχειοστομία

## • Πλεονεκτήματα SUB

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**Ευκολία μεταφοράς:** είναι σαφώς ευκολότερο στη μεταφορά και μπορεί να χρησιμοποιηθεί σε κοινό θάλαμο ή στην ΜΕΘ.

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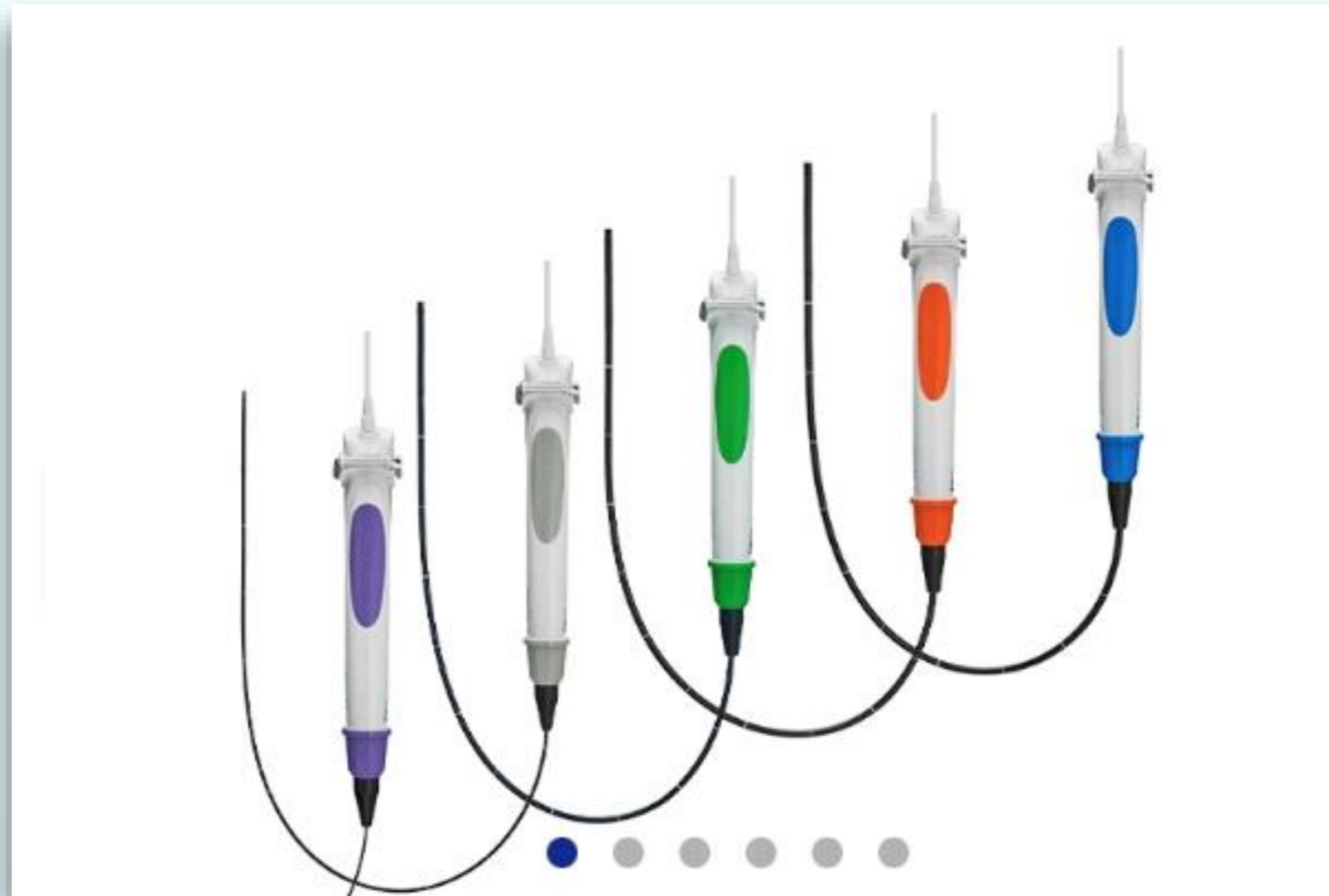
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**Μικρότερο κόστος αγοράς:** φτηνότερο καθώς είναι μιας χρήσης, δεν έχει κόστος πλυσίματος και αποθήκευσης.

**Ευκολότερη εκπαιδευτική χρήση:** Λόγω του μικρότερου κόστους είναι πιο εύκολη η αγορά του από ΜΕΘ και ευκολότερη η αντικατάσταση του σε περίπτωση βλάβης σε φάση εκπαίδευσης. Με τον τρόπο αυτό μπορούν να εκπαιδευτούν πιο εύκολα περισσότεροι ιατροί σε ΜΕΘ και πνευμονολόγοι.



**Insertion Tube: 6.2 - 2.2 mm**

**Working Channel: 3.2 - 0.0 mm**

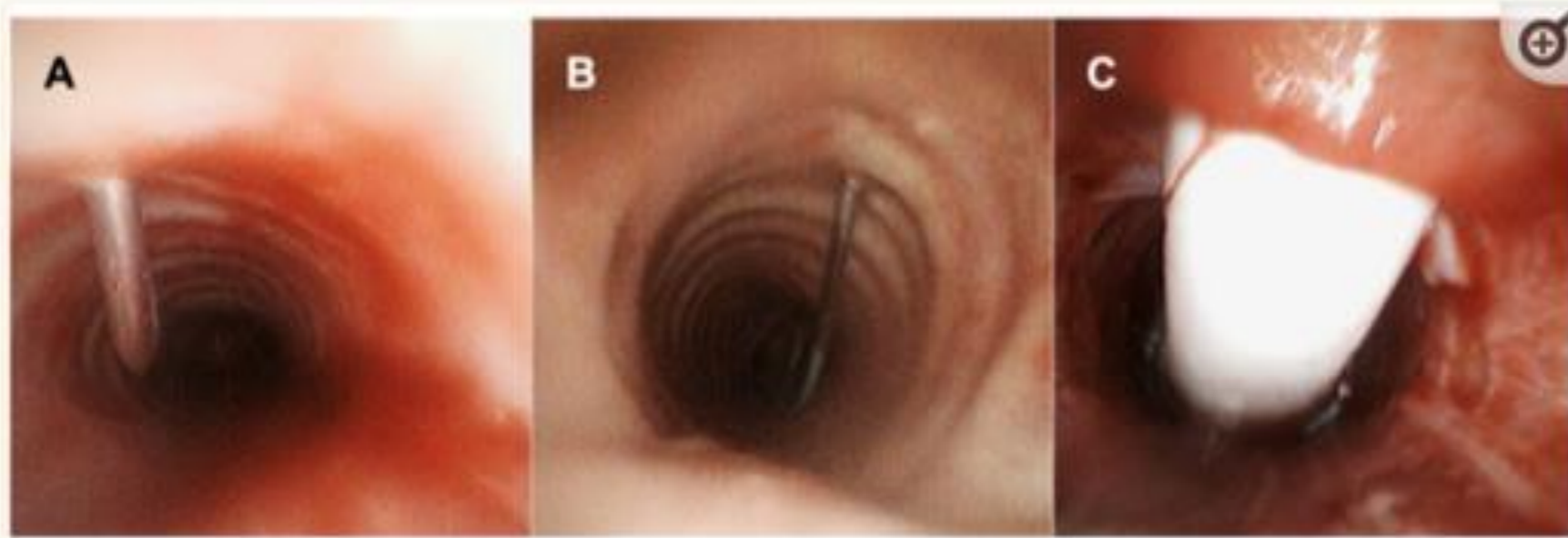


Figure 2

Using SUFB for Percutaneous Tracheostomy Tube Placement. This figure illustrates tracheostomy placement using the SUFB (EXALT Model B Single-Use Bronchoscope from Boston Scientific). Needle insertion (A), passing of the guidewire (B), and placement of the tracheostomy tube (C) are visualized.

# Bronchoscopist's perception of the quality of the single-use bronchoscope (Ambu aScope4™) in selected bronchoscopies: a multicenter study in 21 Spanish pulmonology services

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**Conclusions:** The aScope4™ scored well for ease of use, imaging, and aspiration. We found a learning curve with excellent scores from the 9th procedure. Bronchoscopists highlighted its portability, immediacy of use and the possibility of taking and storing images.

# Outbreak of pulmonary *Pseudomonas aeruginosa* and *Stenotrophomonas maltophilia* infections related to contaminated bronchoscope suction valves, Lyon, France, 2014

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This outbreak of pulmonary *P. aeruginosa*/*S. maltophilia* co-infections was caused by suction valve contamination of two bronchoscopes of the same manufacturer. Our findings underscore the need to test suction valves, in addition to bronchoscope channels, for routine detection of bacteria.





ORIGINAL ARTICLE

## **Single-use flexible bronchoscopes compared with reusable bronchoscopes: Positive organizational impact but a costly solution**

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### **Conclusions**

Organizational impact should be considered when assessing MDs. We show in this study that from an organizational viewpoint, there are many advantages to using single-use bronchoscopes. However, in economic impact, it is more cost-effective for our institution, with more than 1500 bronchoscopies performed annually, to use reusable devices.

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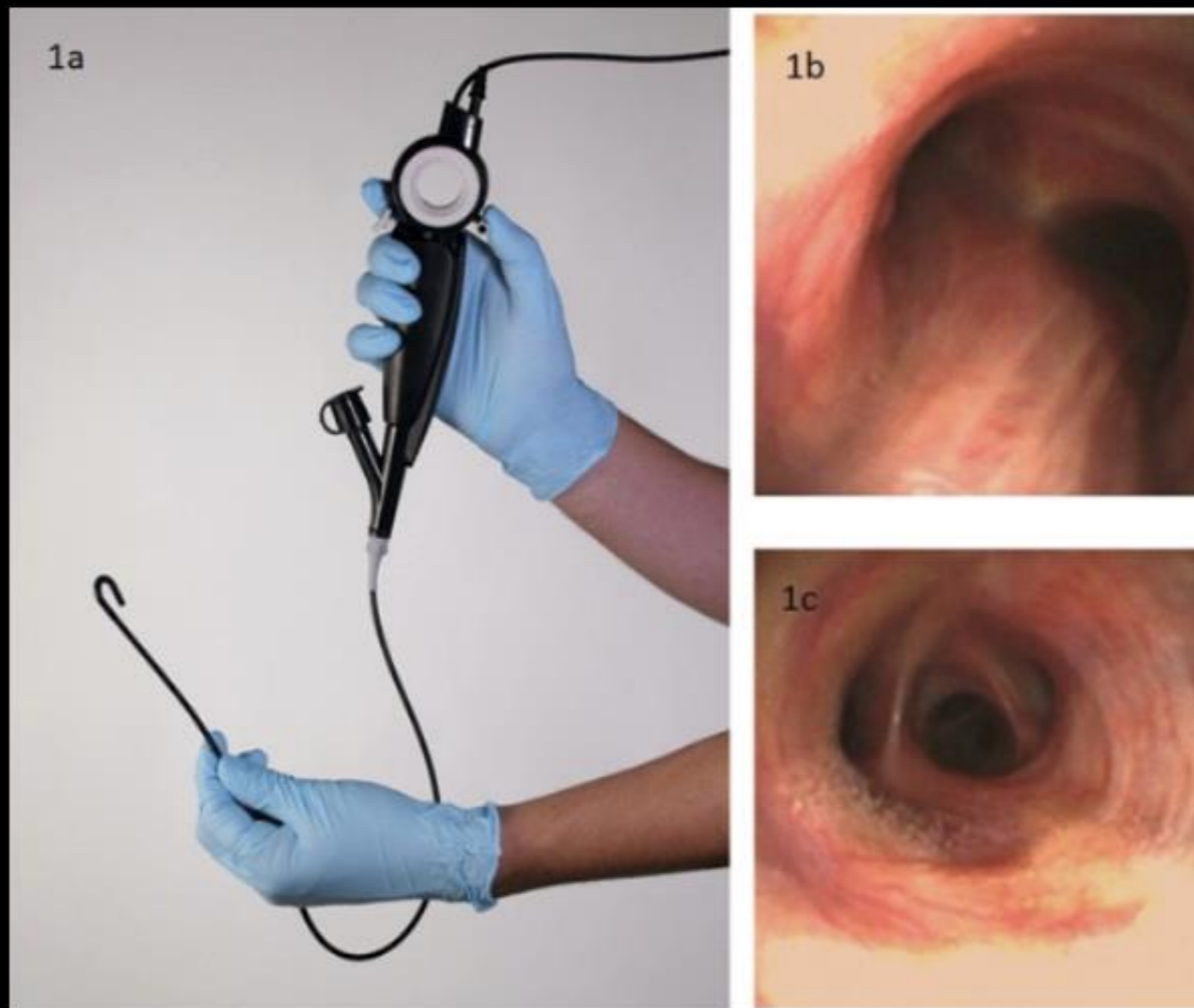
# Single-Use (Disposable) Flexible Bronchoscopes: The Future of Bronchoscopy?

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**Fig. 1** Use of a single-use flexible bronchoscope to perform an airway inspection in a 64-year-old woman with chronic cough. **a** The SUFB used—Broncoflex®Agile<sup>a</sup>; Endobronchial images: **b** The carina. **c** The trifurcation of the right middle lobe (RML), right lower lobe (RLL) (RB<sup>7-10</sup>) and the superior segment of the RLL (RB<sup>6</sup>). <sup>a</sup>Reproduced with permission (Axess Vision)

# Comparative Study on Environmental Impacts of Reusable and Single-Use Bronchoscopes

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The analysis shows that the materials used for the cleaning operations of the reusable scopes are a key factor affecting the impact factors assessed; energy consumption, emission of CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalent and consumption of scarce resources. Initially, it is assumed that each reusable scope is cleaned using one set of personal protective equipment (PPE) per cleaning operation, but since cleaning practice may vary the consequence of cleaning more scopes with one set of PPE is also assessed. Using one set of protective wear per operation and the materials for cleaning and disinfection determine that reusable scopes have comparable or higher material and energy consumption as well as higher emissions of CO<sub>2</sub>-equivalents and values of resource consumption. Cleaning two or more reusable scopes per set of PPE makes the impacts fairly comparable.

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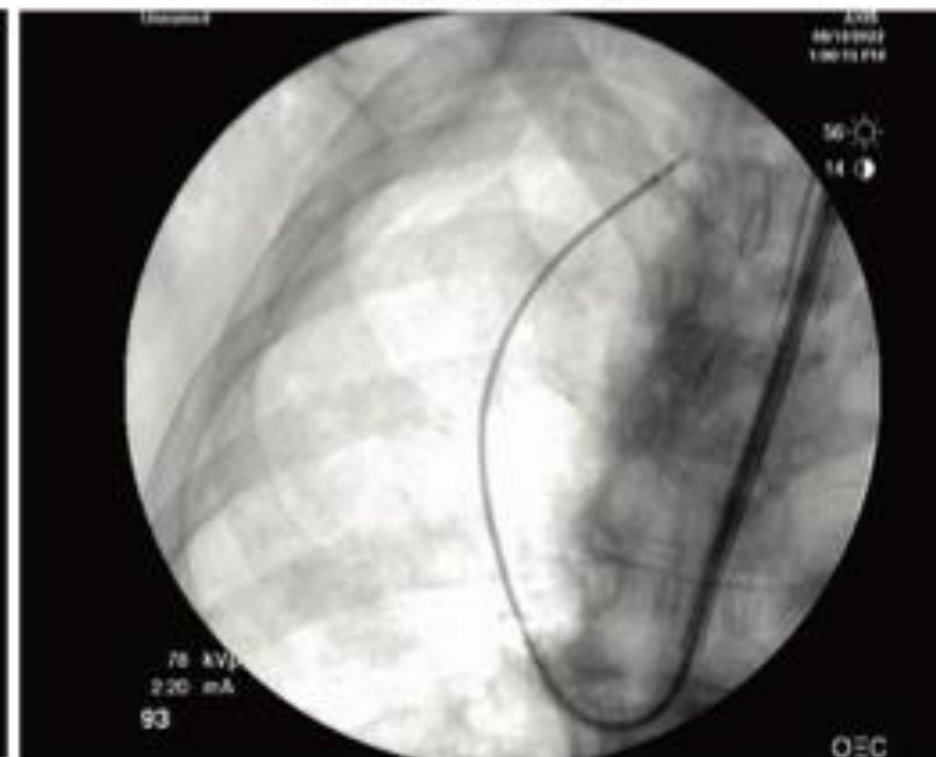
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## FLUOROSCOPY CADAVERIC IMAGES

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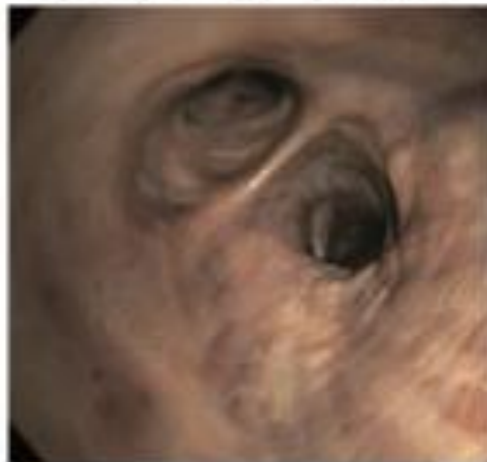
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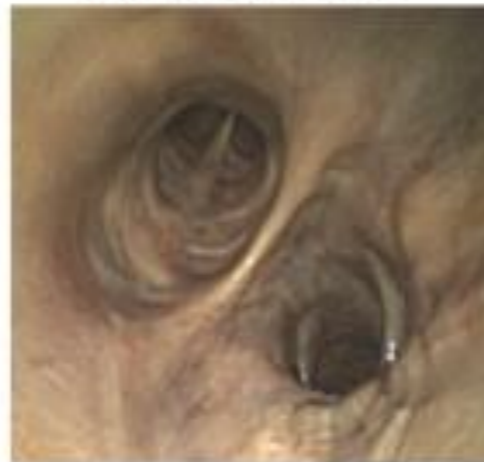
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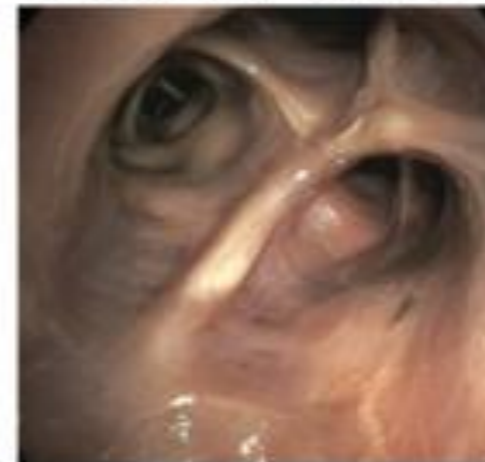
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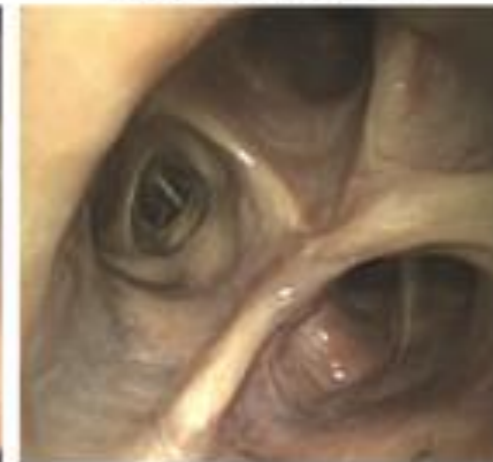
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Specification	Reusable	Single-Use Flexible Bronchoscopes			
	Olympus	Ambu	Olympus	Boston Scientific	Verathon
	BF-1TH190	aScope 5 Therapeutic	H-Steriscope Large	EXALT Model B Large	B-Flex Large
Working channel diameter (mm)	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8	2.8
Flexion/Extension (Without tools)	180/130	195/195	210/210	180/180	140/135
Flexion/Extension (degrees) 2.8mm forceps	143/92	168/169	144/145	123/122	67/73
Flexion/Extension (degrees) 2.0mm forceps	156/117	193/193	181/177	162/162	90/101
Flexion/Extension (degrees) Pulmonx Zephyr Valve Catheter	161/114	195/184	181/176	151/153	86/94
Flexion/Extension (degrees) 2.3mm straight fire APC probe	156/118	195/189	185/180	165/165	94/89
Suction 60mL (seconds) - Water	4.10	5.35	5.55	3.05	4.41
Suction 60mL (seconds) - Viscous material	7.44	8.25	14.94	5.42	9.11
Optics - Depth of field (mm)	3-100	3-100	3-100	6-50	5-50
Optics - Field of view (degrees)	120	120	110	90	120

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## Large Capacity 2.8mm Forceps

Olympus BF-1TH190

Ambu aScope 5





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## **Pulmonx Zephyr 5.5 EDC Valve**

Olympus BF-1TH190

Ambu aScope 5



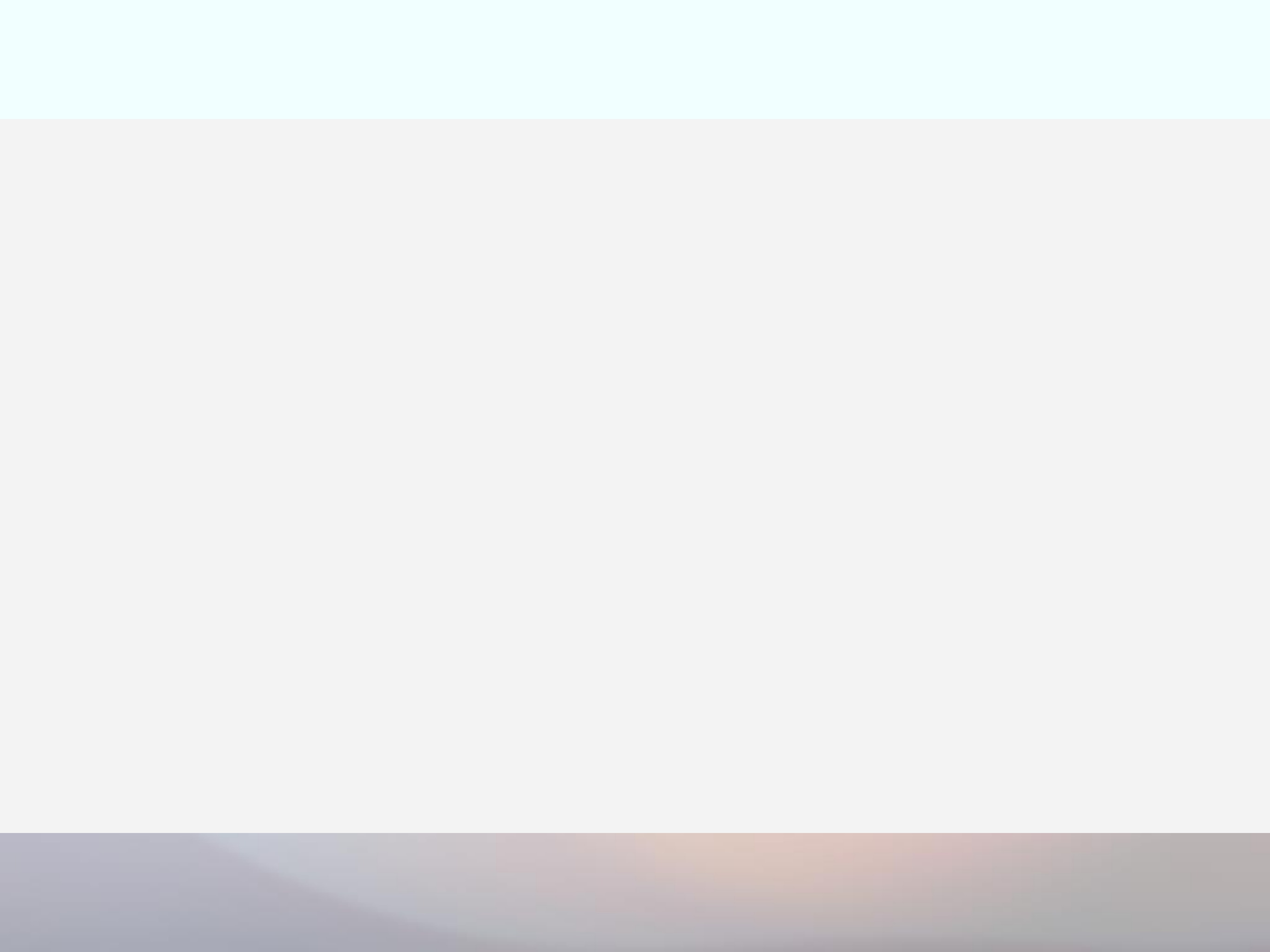
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**Conclusion:** No SUFB or RFB was superior in every category evaluated. At least one SUFB was better than or equivalent to the RFB in each category. Among the SUFB, the Ambu aScope 5 was either superior or equivalent to the RFB in the most categories.

The latest generation of SUFB are a significant advancement over their predecessors. Many of their attributes are comparable to or even superior to RFB. SUFB may represent a viable alternative to RFB for interventional pulmonology procedures in the bronchoscopy suite, operating room, and intensive care unit.



# FINALLY



## CLINICAL PERFORMANCE

In more than 90% of 300 procedures performed with single-use flexible bronchoscopes, all the pulmonary segments could be reached, and all the planned techniques could be performed, for a general level of satisfaction with the device of 86% and a recommendation for its use in similar cases. Further, they found a learning curve with excellent scores from the ninth procedure.

[Flandes et al. \(2020\)](#)



## CONTAMINATION AND INFECTIONS

Bronchoscopy-related pseudo-outbreaks occur despite standardized procedures for high-level disinfection. Of a total of 35 patients who had a bronchoscopy with a reusable flexible bronchoscope, 10 (28.6%) tested positive for Adenovirus infection. New technology that is high-quality disposable or able to undergo sterilization is needed.

[Seidelman et al. \(2021\)](#)



## ORGANISATIONAL IMPACT

Organisational impact should be considered when assessing medical devices. This study shows that, from an organisational viewpoint, there are many advantages in using single-use flexible bronchoscopes, including working conditions and safety, patient pathways, logistics, and training requirements.

[Châteauvieux et al. \(2018\)](#)



## CLINICAL PERFORMANCE

Single-use flexible bronchoscopy allows for parallel as opposed to linear use in the respiratory suite, which can decrease delays between procedures and increase the number of bronchoscopies that can be performed.

[Barron and Kennedy \(2020\)](#)



## ENVIRONMENTAL IMPACT

Using one set of personal protective equipment per reprocessing, along with the materials for cleaning and disinfection, determines that reusable flexible bronchoscopes have comparable or higher material and energy consumption, as well as higher emissions of CO2 equivalents.

[Sørensen et al. \(2018\)](#)

