

**Notice Information: - Warning  
08 April 2014**

**Part 1. Product Information**

- a) Title:
- b) Product Name/Type:
- c) Reference:
- d) Manufacturer/Supplier:

**Part 2. Target Audience**

a) Target Audience:

A&E Departments  
Ambulance Service  
Anaesthetic medical/nursing staff  
Biomedical Engineering staff  
Cardiology Departments  
Cardiothoracic Departments  
Chief Executive Officers  
Clinical Directors  
Day Surgery Units  
Emergency Medical Technicians  
Gastroenterology Departments  
Haemodialysis Units  
High Dependency Units  
Hospital Managers  
Hospital Pharmacists  
Intensive Care Units  
IV Nurse Specialists  
Maternity Units  
Midwifery Departments  
Neonatology Departments  
Nursing Managers  
Nursing staff  
Obstetrics and Gynaecology Departments  
Oncology Nurse Specialists  
Orthopaedic Departments  
Paediatric Departments   Paramedics   Peritoneal Dialysis Units   Purchasing Mana

Paediatric Departments  
Paramedics  
Peritoneal Dialysis Units  
Purchasing Managers  
Renal Medicines Departments  
Resuscitation Officers  
Risk Managers  
Special Care Baby Units  
Supplies Managers  
Theatre Managers and nurses  
Urology Departments

### Part 3. Problem/Issue

a) Problem/Issue:

The Irish Medicines Board (IMB) wishes to remind users of a field safety notice (FSN) issued by B. Braun in December 2013. B. Braun has identified a risk that when the Perfusor Space pump is used with an aged battery, that the pump may not have sufficient current to perform a syringe change, despite the battery indicator on the pump showing full charge.

The issue can only occur when the pump is not connected to the mains and presents a risk when the pump is used on battery only.

### Part 4. Background Information

a) Background Information:

The issue identified with the Perfusor Space infusion pump battery (or battery pack) may occur because a syringe change requires a large current which may not be available if the battery has been significantly aged.

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## Part 5. Action to be taken

a) Action to be taken:

The IMB would like to remind users to:

(1) Follow the instructions outlined by the manufacturer in the FSN attached.

(2) Identify any batteries (or battery packs) of four years or older.

(3) Contact your Biomedical Engineering Department to arrange for replacement or testing of the battery (battery pack), as outlined in the device service manual.

(4) Always have an additional pump available for infusion of critical medications and during transport of patients.

(5) Forward this IMB Safety Notice to all those within your organisation that need to be aware of this information

## Part 6. Enquiries

- a) All enquiries should be made to:

Enquiries to the manufacturer should be addressed to:

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Carl-Braun-Str.1

Melsungen

34212

Germany

Telephone: +49 5661 712 769

Fax: +49 5661 752 769

E-mail: ludwig.schuetz@bbraun.com

Enquiries to the distributor should be addressed to:

B.Braun Medical

3 Naas Road Industrial Park

Dublin 12 Telephone: +353 1 709 1800

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All adverse incidents relating to a medical device should be reported to:

Irish Medicines Board

Human Products Monitoring

Kevin O'Malley House

Earlsfort Centre Earlsfort Terrace Dublin 2 Telephone: +353-1-6764971 Fax:

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