

## Heparin Loading of Gelatin Sealed Prostheses

Standard operating room practice should be followed throughout this procedure to ensure that the sterility of the graft, and of any other items involved, is not compromised.

### Stage 1



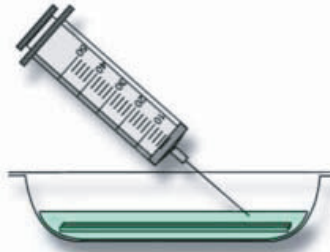
Draw up 20,000 units of Heparin into a 50ml syringe.

### Stage 2



Fill syringe to 50ml with saline.

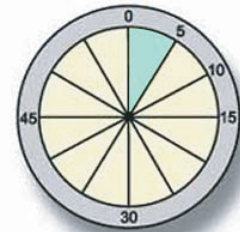
### Stage 3



Inject the Heparin solution through the tyvek lid of the blister containing the graft.

Taking care not to damage the graft. Rock the blister to ensure complete coverage of the graft.

### Stage 4



After 5 minutes the graft can be removed- excess solution is allowed to drain before the graft is implanted