

APPARATUS AND METHOD FOR STERILIZATION AND SECONDARY PACKAGING

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

1 An apparatus for the sterilization and
secondary packaging into cartons storing arrays of
blister packages, each of which contains at least one
5 hydrophilic contact lens immersed in a sterile aqueous
solution. More specifically, disclosed in an apparatus
adapted to provide for arrays of blister packages which
are transported within trays supported on racks. These
racks are transported to a sterilization chamber for
10 sterilizing the arrays of blister packages, and from
which the sterilized arrays of blister packages are then
transported to a locale for implementing the pairing
thereof and the secondary packaging into sealable
cartons. Also disclosed is a method of sterilizing and
15 implementing the secondary packaging into cartons of
predetermined quantities of arrays of blister packages,
each of which contains a hydrophilic contact lens
immersed in a sterile aqueous solution, so as to provide
a sterile environment for the arrays of blister
20 packages.

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