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MANUALLY DRIVEN NEEDLE SHIELD ASSEMBLY

ABSTRACT OF THE DISCLOSURE

A shield assembly and syringe assembly comprises a syringe assembly including a syringe barrel having a needle cannula projecting distally from its distal end and a shield assembly including a guide and a shield. The guide is secured to a portion of the syringe assembly in proximity to the needle cannula. The shield includes a support wall and a pair of spaced apart side walls projecting from the support wall. At least a portion of the side walls are spaced from one another sufficiently for receiving the needle cannula therebetween. The shield is slidably engaged with the guide and is movable along a path having a generally acute angle with and toward the needle cannula from a proximal position where the needle cannula is exposed to a distal position where the needle cannula is shielded between the side walls of the shield.

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