





Stericup<sup>®</sup> and Maxicup<sup>®</sup> are harm reduction tools used for the preparation of injected drugs. These sterile, single-use kits each contain a cooker, a cotton filter and a dry post-injection pad. They come as a mix of 5 different colours to prevent accidental sharing.

# Purpose

- Encourage personal and single use of preparation equipment, to reduce the risk of viral transmission related to its sharing.
- Reduce the infectious risks associated with the use of non-sterile preparation tools.

## Characteristics

Each Stericup<sup>®</sup>/Maxicup<sup>®</sup> is individually packed and contains:

- A preparation spoon with handle, available in 5 colours
  - $\rightarrow$  Function: preparation and possible heating of the mix
  - $\rightarrow$  Maximum capacity of 2.5 ml for the Stericup and 5 ml for the Maxicup
  - $\rightarrow$  Aluminium spoon, which safety has been proven
  - $\rightarrow$  Flat bottom for greater stability
  - $\rightarrow$  Plastic handle to protect fingers from burns

### • A cotton filter

- $\rightarrow$  Function: elimination of high-risk insoluble particles
- $\rightarrow$  More effective than "makeshift" filters such as cigarette filters, thanks to its high density
- $\rightarrow$  Small dimensions (6 mm x 6 mm) limiting product retention

### • A post-injection dry pad

- ightarrow Function: compression of the injection site after injecting, for a better healing
- Sterilisation method: ethylene oxide

# **Clinical history**

The Stericup was developed in 1996 with the support of needle exchange programs in France. The Maxicup was developed in 2013.

Since 2019, they are equipped with an attached handle, which ensures a greater stability and reduces manipulations before use, thus the risk of hand-borne bacterial contamination.

Stericup and Maxicup are distributed in pharmacies and harm reduction programmes in over 20 countries.

### Stericup® and Maxicup® are CE-marked medical devices.

