

## SCRIPT-Battery Test

Hello, I am Craig Lynch with SSCOR and I want to show you a quick and convenient way to assess the capacity of the battery in your SSCOR aspirator.

This test applies to SSCORT III, 9, TEN and 2300 series aspirators. It is a basic field test and does not give you a complete picture of the health of your battery. It is merely a practical indicator.

As a battery ages, it loses capacity. This means that it can mimic a healthy battery for a short period, but will lose power and could come to a stop a short time after starting. You therefore need to be sure that the battery will not only start your aspirator, but will keep it running for as long as you anticipate needing vacuum.

The first step is to plug the aspirator in to charge and charge it until the indicator on the pump, or on the charger, indicates that the charge is full. If your charger does not have a charge indicator, charge the battery overnight to ensure it is fully charged.

Once the device is fully charged, remove it from its charging source and turn it on. Make sure that the patient port is open and the system is un-occluded.

Keep track of time and allow the aspirator to run for 15 minutes.

After 15 minutes, determine if the aspirator is still running strong. When you occlude it, does it still draw a strong vacuum? If so, then you know that the device will give you effective vacuum for at least 15 minutes.

The SSCOR aspirators previously mentioned will run for 30-45 minutes, depending on the device, when the battery is fresh and new. SSCOR recommends changing the battery at least every three years.

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