

Supplementary Data: A Comparative Life Cycle Assessment between a Metered Dose Inhaler and Electric Nebulizer

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Figure S1 shows the two devices assessed in this comparative life cycle assessment (LCA) study.



Figure S1. (a) DeVilbiss Pulmo-Aide® electric nebulizer and (b) 3M's Proventil® HFA metered dose inhaler.

Figures S2, S3, and S4 show the GaBi flow diagram inventories of the scenarios modeled: metered dose inhaler, nebulizer with hand washing, and nebulizer with dish washing, respectively.



Figure S2. Life cycle assessment (LCA) inventory for the manufacturing and use of a metered dose inhaler (MDI).

DeVilbiss Pulmo-Aide Nebulizer - Handwash

Process plant: Mass [kg]
The names of the basic processes are shown.

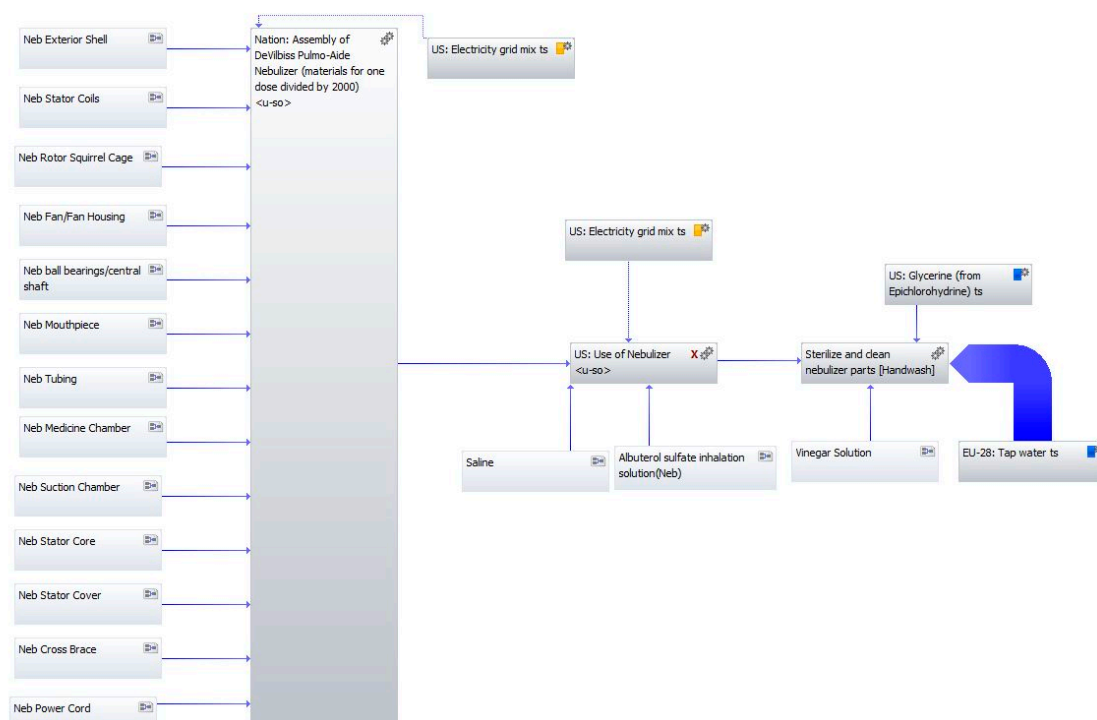


Figure S3. Life cycle assessment (LCA) inventory for the manufacturing and use of an electrical nebulizer when it is washed by hand.

DeVilbiss Pulmo-Aide Nebulizer - Dishwasher

Process plant: Mass [kg]
The names of the basic processes are shown.

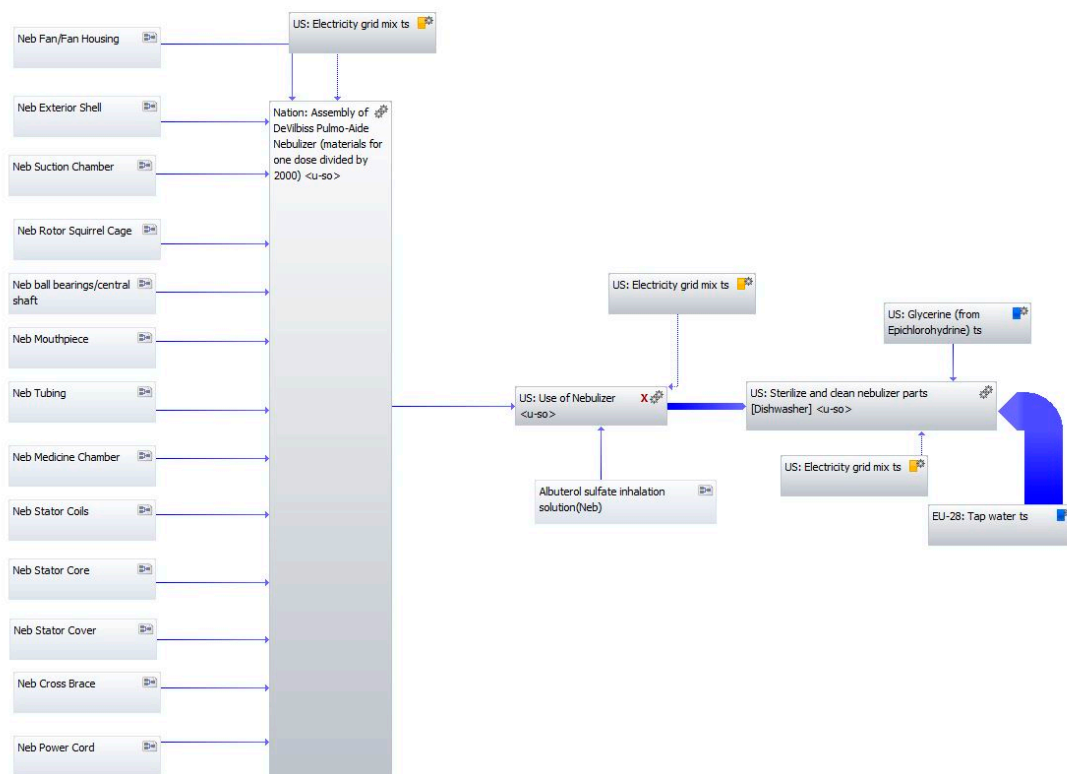


Figure S4. Life cycle assessment (LCA) inventory for the manufacturing and use of an electric nebulizer when it is washed in a dishwasher.