# **AvioCocoon**

Aviation single-patient isolation system designed to be loaded on helicopters and airplanes for the transportation of infectious patients

## **Product Information**





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# Introduction

AvioCocoon: the first aviation single-patient isolation system designed to be loaded on helicopters and airplanes for the transportation of infectious patients

# **About Boggi Aeronautics**

Boggi Aeronautics is an Italian aeronautical company established in 1999. Boggi Aeronautics is a certified EASA Part 21 DOA and POA (Design and Production Approvals) specialized in high end aeronautical equipment and solutions for different kind of operations.

The team employs experienced aerospace, mechanical, and electrical engineers and technicians that apply creative conceptual approaches to tackle complicated integration challenges.

Boggi Aeronautics is active as an equipment integration development center for special missions with STC approval capability. The company boasts many projects related to medical equipment development and installation that have been appreciated by air medical fleets all over the world.

## **Introduction: COVID-19 emergency**

The recent COVID-19 emergency highlights the need for critical equipment to be managed in a safe way, from both patient and health operator perspectives, where persons are affected by COVID-19 or other infectious diseases.

To date, the transport of COVID-19 patients in helicopters and airplanes is extremely difficult because:

- The cabin contamination risk is high; medical personnel must use bulky Personal Safety Equipment (PSE) which interfere with their ability to operate on the patient in an effective way; a separator in the cabin must be mounted to isolate the pilots from patient cabin, but even so the pilots must still wear uncomfortable SPD with an increase in load that could decrease their attention in critical situations.
- Whilst transport containment systems for ground use already exist and some have been adapted to be carried on board helicopters or aircraft, nevertheless these systems aren't designed for aircraft and their adaptation to small cabins typical of helicopters is problematic.
- Moreover, key issues are not well addressed, such as the aeronautical certification process that requires withstanding high impact loads, or possible detriments to device functionality and patient comfort due to high vibrations and other unique aspects of the helicopter and aircraft environment.

# **Assumptions / Why AvioCocoon?**

The AvioCocoon bio-containment system is born from Boggi Aeronautics' feedbacks received during the COVID-19 epidemic from medical aeronautical worldwide operators.

The bio-containment systems currently available for helicopters or aircraft are devices designed for on-grounad operations that are then adapted to aeronautics. This leads to several incompatibility issues and problems of installation on fixed and rotary wing vehicles, because a unique new certification process has to be carried out for each installation.

Moreover, some products already developed show problems of installation inhelicopters. Filters installed in adapted products manages a quantity of air change adequate at low altitudes but not sufficient

for a patient in critical condition flying at 3000 m or in humid/hot weather. Other issues arise when only a single respirator is installed in bio-containment systems; in case of failure the patient could not continue to receive air.

The transportation of infectious diseases patients is critical on helicopters and aeroplanes because it imposes protective devices on the medical staff that make operations on the patient challenging.

It joins Boggi Aeronautics' medical COVID-19 solutions together with the partitioning devices to separate the cockpit area from the cabin (crew divider) and the medical isolation kit.

### **AvioCocoon General**

AvioCoocon is the first single-patient isolation system specifically designed to be loaded on helicopters and aeroplanes for the transportation of infectious diseases patients.

The AvioCocoon system is designed thanks to the useful suggestions provided by helicopter operators taking into consideration aeronautical requirements and the necessities of the medical staff that is fighting the COVID-19 outbreak. The equipment is developed by clinical experts with first-

hand experience in intensive care, treatment and transportation of patients with infectious diseases.

Boggi Aeronautics' aim is to provide aviation equipment for patient transport that meets all requirements for full environmental protection from cross-contamination. The equipment is intended for the use in aviation high-risk scenarios and in everyday practice dealing with multi-resistant infections.

NOTE: Definitive AvioCocoon specifications and layout may slightly differ due to system development feedbacks and aircraft cabin needs and dimensions.

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# **AvioCocoon**

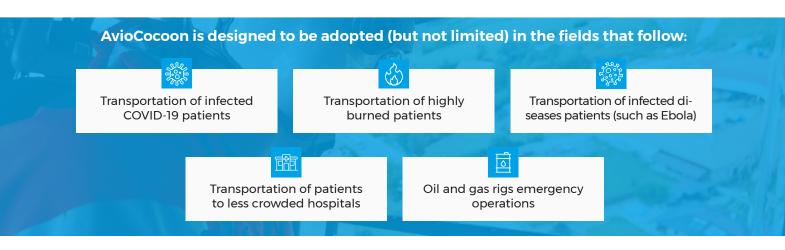
### The isolation system designed especially for aero operations

## **System Description**

AvioCocoon optimizes the containment, shifting the focus from protecting pilots and medical staff against infection spread throughout the cabin environment, to containing infection at the source and keeping the cabin clean. This advance should be considered not only as a response to the ongoing COVID-19 pandemic but also as preparation for equipping medical services for effective and safer interventions in the future.

AvioCocoon has been developed by aerospace engineers and air medical clinicians with many years of experience within the aviation and medical fields. The system is aligned to aviation and medical needs and meets the EASA requirement for aeronautical use.

AvioCocoon guarantee full environmental protection from cross-contamination and it is intended for the use in aviation high-risk scenarios and in every-day practice dealing with multi-resistant infections.



### **AvioCocoon - Starter Pack**

The AvioCocoon starter pack is the complete and ready to use system to be loaded on helicopters or aeroplanes.

#### AvioCocoon system starter pack includes:

- Boggi Aeronautics EASA Approved aviation interface that installs the system to aircraft seat tracks
- Two (2) CleanAIR® MedicAER® powered air purifying respirators (each respirator includes QuickLOCK® light flexi hose, exchangeable battery, charger (EURO plug), comfort padded belt and flow indicator)
- · Seven (7) P3 Filters
- Starter Pack Kit (includes 1 mattress with restraint straps, 3 gloves kits, 2 waste bags, 2 wireports, 1 sluice bag, 1 storage box, 13 hatches + 2 extra hatches)

### **Features**



#### **Designed for EMS**

AvioCocoon has been developed by aerospace engineers and air medical clinicians to adapt to the aviation medical operations needs.



# Approved for aeronautical operations

AvioCocoon is approved for aeronautical operations and directly adjustable to be installed on a wide range of aircraft thanks to the aeronautical kit that restrains the isolation platform from conducting complicated medical flights.



#### **Cost effective**

With AvioCocoon, the operators buy a complete integrated aviation solution. This permits the system to have a competitive unit list price if compared to other market solutions.



### Safety and intensive care

AvioCocoon is equipped with medical port for connecting IV lines, external lung ventilators and intravenous medication treatment cables. The intensive care system allows the medical staff to medicate and give treatment to the patient without direct exposure.



#### **Medical staff friendly**

With AvioCocoon, medical staff can wear light personal protective equipment that makes complex maneuvers possible. AvioCocoon is fully isolated and guarantee full environmental protection from cross-contamination. The 13 hatches on the capsule allow to intervene easily at any patient area.



#### **Fast installation**

The isolation system attaches to the floor level through quick releases pins to be removable and switch configurations in a few minutes.



# No need to integrate it for aeronautical use

AvioCocoon is ready to be installed in your helicopter or airplane; there is no need to apply for specific authorization from National and International Aviation Authorities.



#### Reusable

The isolation system platform is simple to clean and disinfect. The device can be easily disassembled and assembled.



#### **Patient comfort**

Transparent structure and large internal volumes to reduce the sense of closure. The mattress is designed for maximum comfort. The 3 filters close to the patient head assure recirculation of oxygen.



#### Failure safe

The use of two air blower does not lead to problems in case of one failure (as per other market solutions) 6/9



#### State of the Art

The bio-containment systems currently available for helicopters or aircraft are devices designed for onground operations that are then adapted to aeronautics. This leads to several incompatibility issues and problems of installation on fixed and rotary wing vehicles, because a unique new certification process has to be carried out for each installation.

There are high costs for installation adaptation and for aeronautical certification.

### **AvioCocoon improvements**

AvioCocoon is **designed for** transporting infectious patients on **air vehicles such as helicopters and small jets** without exposing health personnel and pilots to the dangers of infection.

AvioCocoon features an aviation medical isolation installation interface designed and developed by Boggi Aeronautics that restrains the patients and the isolation platform from conducting complicated medical operation flights or during emergency landing conditions that the aircraft may encounter.

The aviation installation interface provides a **cost/effective solution** for the bio-containment system installation on aircraft used for medical services missions.

Getting the NAA certification and authorization to install bio-containment systems in an aeronautical environment may require time and the needs to contact a third-party Company.

AvioCocoon is **designed for aeronautical operations** and directly adjustable to be installed on a wide range of aircraft such as: AW109, AW119, AW139, AW169, EC145, B/AB 412, Cessna Citation, Learjet 35A, Beechcraft King Air, Challenger 650.

Many bio-containment systems have **few entry ports** allocated near the head of the patient. This affect the operations that can be performed by medical staff on the patient's airways.

AvioCocoon permits to perform sanitary maneuvers on the patient's airways by two resuscitators and/or medical staff simultaneously thanks to the **5 entry ports near the patient's head**.

Many bio-containment systems have attractive design that are **not functional** to accommodate overweight people. Early studies from the US, Italy and China also suggest that being overweight is an important risk factor to get COVID-19 disease.

AvioCocoon is designed to safely accommodate people up to 120 kg thanks to the **broad rigid capsule** and to the aluminum base. Integrated support handles permit to carry the AvioCocoon distributing the weights effectively.

The filtering unit of many products is located outside the containment, thus requiring attention during transportation in order to avoid hazardous entanglement or damage to the filtering units itself.

AvioCocoon hosts two ventilators inside a rigid case and positioned close to the patient's feet, with a separation shell to avoid kicking the filtering units.

The sealing of some products is via zippers, which are difficult to manipulate and do not guarantee a hermetic seal.

AvioCocoon is sealed thanks to aeronautical latch locking system.

In the event of a ventilator failure the patients could not continue to receive air.

AvioCocoon hosts **two ventilators**. The use of two air blower does not lead to problems in case of a failure of one unit.

The adaptation of containment systems to small cabins typical of helicopters / aircraft is problematic.

AvioCocoon is designed for transporting infectious patients on a aviation environment taking into account air vehicles cabin dimensions.

# **System Composition**

## **Aviation medical rack**

When developing an air medical device, Boggi Aeronautics knows that the main focus is related to the safety of patients and aircrew.

The Boggi Aeronautics' designed Aviation medical rack kit safely restrains the patients and the isolation platform from conducting complicated medical operation flights or during emergency landing conditions that the helicopter/airplane may encounter. The system attaches to the floor level through quick releases pins to be removable and switch configurations in a few minutes.

## Main structure; Hardtop Capsule and Base

The structure is made of certified bio-compatible and non-toxic materials as per medical requirements.

The hardtop capsule permits to perform sanitary maneuvers on the patient's airways by two resuscitators and/or medical staff simultaneously thanks to the 5 entry ports near the patient's head. A total of 13 hatches on the capsule allow to intervene easily at any patient area.

The base is specifically designed with aviation standards to comply with aeronautical regulations and to provide a resistant structure to the system.

The base and the hardtop are both rigid so that they can resists to any impact.

The locking system features aeronautical lever hooks for quick release in case of emergency.

### **Hatches and Consumables**

AvioCocoon has a total of 13 hatches that allow to intervene easily at any patient area.

#### The consumables include:

- Gloves: made from flame-resistant CSM/Hypalon.
- · Sluice bag: used to transfer equipment or medicine to the patent during transport
- Waste bag: is used as a closed space for waste generated during patient transportation
- Wireport: permits a secure passage of IV lines, monitoring cables, or oxygen lines
- Storage box: practical storage box for tools, gauzes, medicines and consumables

The intensive care system allows the medical staff to medicate and give treatment to the patient without direct exposure.



### **Mattress and Patient Accommodation**

AvioCocoon is designed to safely accommodate people up to 195 cm, and 120 Kg thanks to the broad structure.

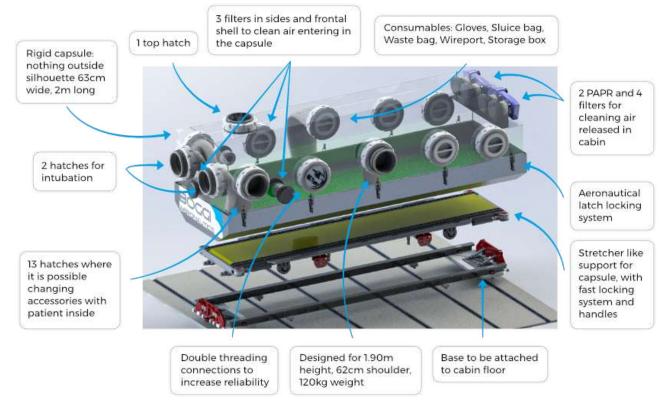
The integrated mattress assures an ideal comfort for the patient and better conditions for clinical procedures. It includes restraint straps.

### Air ventilation and filters

AvioCocoon installs two (2) CleanAIR® MedicAER® powered air purifying respirators and seven (7) P3 filters.

The air ventilation system filters the air from the isolation chamber and ensures optimal patient comfort with more than 35 complete internal air exchanges per hour.

AvioCocoon allows intensive operations at uninterrupted power for a minimum of 4 hours. The batteries can be replaced during transport, keeping the patient and environment safe from contamination.



## **Spare parts and decontamination**

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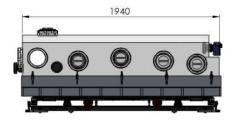
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# **Specifications**

#### **Technical data**

L = 2035 (max, filter included); 1940 biocontainment capsule W = 700 (between hatches); 640 biocontainment capsule H (capsule + stretcher for handling) = 730

H (from cabin floor) = 800





Dimensions:

Patient weight (max): 120 kg
Patient length (laying): 190 cm

Internal volume: 0.55 m3, 550 litres

Hatches: 13 total, 2 near to the patient's head for intubation actions, 1 top hatch

Patient retention/safety belts: Quick release torso restraint, chest strap, and legs strap

#### Air system and filters

Blower unit: 2 x CleanAIR® MedicAER®

Blower unit certifications:

EN 12942 (TM3 / 2000 level)

Operating temperature between:  $0^{\circ}$ C to +  $60^{\circ}$ C, humidity 20 - 95 % Rh

Power source: Rechargeable Li-ion battery 2,6 Ah @ 14,4V, CE1024

Battery charge time: <3 hours

Battery autonomy 4 hours at maximum operational capability

Battery charger: Input: 100 - 240 V (50/60 Hz)
Output: 18 V (max. 1.500 mA)

Air exchange: 320 l/min max, 35 complete internal air changes per hour

Operating Negative pressure: >20 Pa, depending on installation and altitude

Filters: 3 + 4 P3 Filters

Filters certifications: EN 14387 ; EN 143 ; EN 12941 ; EN 12942 ; EN 148-1

#### AvioCocoon test specification EN 60601-1; EN 60601-1-2; EN 60601-1-8; EN 60601-1-6; EN 62304

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