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Supporting Information

Supplementary methods and results

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Table 1. Life cycle assessment inventory: pathology testing

	Material	Mass
Phlebotomy		
Nitrile gloves	Synthetic rubber	3.3 g
Cotton swab	Cotton	0.54 g
Tube holder including needle (full blood examination, coagulation, urea/electrolytes, C-reactive protein)	Polypropylene	2.9 g
	Polyethylene terephthalate	1.5 g
	Stainless steel	0.05 g
Gold top collection tube (urea/electrolytes, C-reactive protein)	Polyethylene terephthalate	5.9 g
	Polypropylene	1.0 g
	Synthetic rubber	1.3 g
	Polydimethylsiloxane	0.5 g
Light blue top collection tube (coagulation)	Polypropylene	1.0 g
	Polyethylene terephthalate	5.0 g
	Synthetic rubber	1.3
	Citric acid	0.2 g
Purple top collection tube (full blood examination)	Polypropylene	0.9 g
	Polyethylene terephthalate	3.7 g
	Synthetic rubber	1.3 g
safePICO syringe (arterial blood gases)	Polyethylene terephthalate	2.1 g
	Polypropylene	2.4 g
	Stainless steel	0.2 g
10 mL syringe (arterial blood gases)	Polypropylene	6.16 g
	Polyethylene terephthalate	1.28 g
	Synthetic rubber	0.49 g
Pneumatic tube system	Electricity	1.2 Wh
Testing		
Full blood examination		
Electricity	Electricity	1.2 Wh
Packaging	Low density polyethylene	0.4 g
	High density polyethylene	0.1 g
	Cardboard	1.7 g
Reagent	Fine chemical	649 μg
	Ultrapure water	38.6 mL
Coagulation profile		
Electricity	Electricity	2.45 Wh
Packaging	Glass	0.4 g
	High density polyethylene	0.01 g
	Polystyrene	0.02 g
	Low density polyethylene	0.02 g
	Paper	0.03 g
	Cardboard	0.3 g
Reagent	Fine chemical	19 μg
	Ultrapure water	0.4 mL
Urea/electrolytes		
Electricity	Electricity	2.88 Wh
Packaging	High density polyethylene	2.0 g

	Material	Mass
	Polypropylene	2.0 g
	Glass	0.05 g
	Cardboard	0.06 g
Reagent	Fine chemical	10.7 μg
	Ultrapure water	0.2 mL
C-reactive protein		
Electricity	Electricity	0.5 Wh
Packaging	High density polyethylene	1.7 g
	Polypropylene	1.1 g
	Glass	0.02 g
	Cardboard	0.01 g
Reagent	Fine chemical	5.4 μg
	Ultrapure water	0.151 mL
Arterial blood gas		
Electricity	Electricity	19.56 Wh
Packaging	Polypropylene	0.605 g
Reagent	Fine chemical	4.4 μg
	Ultrapure water	4.3 mL

Table 2. Number of tests performed per day in each health service

Test	Austin Health	Sunshine Hospital
Full blood examination	423	392
Coagulation profile	111	81
All biochemistry tests	6331	1719
Arterial blood gases	49	80