BLOOD TRANSFUSION ARTEFACT RECORD	
NUMBER	AA-013
ITEM / TITLE	RUBBER TUBING ADMINISTRATION SET ('STERILE GIVING APPARATUS') IN A GOLD TIN
PHYSICAL DESCRIPTION	A gold tin (approx. 26 x 11 x 5 cm) with two labels on the lid containing a rubber tubing blood transfusion administration (giving) set joined with metal connectors, a 9-inch airway needle (wrapped in paper) and a glass chamber containing a knitted cotton filter with attached needle.
OTHER INFORMATION	The first of two labels on the tin lid states: NATIONAL BLOOD TRANSFUSION SERVICE STERILE GIVING APPARATUS (One Set). Must be washed and returned immediately after use, or, if not used within six months must be returned for re-sterilisation. GLASS WITH CARE. The second label states: ADMINISTRATION SETS (Giving Sets) These sets are issued to hospitals free of charge for giving blood and plasma. Over fifteen hundred are prepared and sterilised each week at the Sheffield Depot. The tin contains a production slip which states: Administration Set. Checked by: (name hand written – unreadable) Date: (stamped – faded but may be MAY 1956) IF FOUND DEFECTIVE kindly return in box with this slip marked X here Blood Transfusion Laboratory, Northfield Road, Sheffield 10. Note: The paper wrapping and gold tin were used to protect the administration set during (heat/pressure) sterilisation.

PHOTOGRAPHS OF THE ARTEFACT



Note: Additional photograph on the next page

