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# CATHCHECK<sup>TM</sup>

A modern approach to not only epidural space identification and confirmation, but checking and confirming catheter placement in real time.





# Objectively identify the epidural space with a 99% success rate on the first attempt.

A new, modern technique for objective identification and confirmation of the epidural space in real time for all your patients.



### Since 1921

#### THE CONVENTIONAL APPROACH

Until recently, the identification of the epidural space has been based on the subjective perception of a "loss of resistance (LOR)", when inserting an epidural needle to identify the epidural space.

- Subjective tactile feel only Requires subjective loss of resistance to air or saline
- » Sensitive but not specific Detects pressure differences by loss of resistance, but is unable to differentiate between intermuscular planes, cysts, ligaments and the epidural space
- Studies show it takes up to 90 epidural procedures to reach basic clinical competency

## The New Standard

COMPUFLO® USES DPS DYNAMIC PRESSURE SENSING TECHNOLOGY<sup>® 2-4, 8</sup>

- » Subjective tactile feel + objective DPS<sup>®</sup> differentiates between true loss and false loss of resistance
- » 25% reduction in procedure time for labor and delivery epidurals
- » Clinicians can successfully perform epidural procedures with fewer attempts
- Detects subtle pressure changes 4 times a second, making it extremely responsive to minor pressure changes
- Precisely controls the flow rate of fluid with real-time feedback, based on exit pressure at the needle tip
- » Compared to the traditional LOR technique, real-time pressure sensing technology costs about \$504 dollars less per hospital stay on average
- » The CompuWave<sup>™</sup> graph displays the pulsatile waveform found in the epidural space, again confirming needle and catheter placement

Introducing CompuFlo's<sup>®</sup> newest feature...CathCheck<sup>™</sup>!





A new, modern technique for checking your catheter placement in real time.

## Benefits

#### EPIDURAL CATHETER VERIFICATION SYSTEM

- » Instant epidural catheter verification with CompuWave™ displaying the pulsatile wave form
- » Saves the anesthesia provider time, enabling them to make clinical decisions faster regarding ineffective epidural catheters and the next course of treatment
- » The anesthesia provider may flush with sterile anesthetic or sterile saline
- » Increases the anesthesia provider's daily effectiveness
- » Provides confirmation to the anesthesia provider post-catheter placement
- » Reduces the amount of time the patient is in pain, due to an ineffective catheter



	Catheter Dosing	CompuFlo <sup>®</sup> CompuWave™
Connects directly to the patient's catheter	Х	Х
Flush with anesthetic	Х	X
Flush with sterile saline		X
Time required for patient response	15-30 minutes	10 seconds
Instantly and objectively displays the epidural pulsatile waveform found in the epidural space		Х

# The Modern Epidural Solution

## **Instrument Features**

#### DPS DYNAMIC PRESSURE SENSING TECHNOLOGY®

- » High-quality 17.5 cm (7 in) touchscreen
- » Lightweight allowing the instrument to be moved from room to room
- Contains 2 power sources: a standard AC plug, as well as a built-in lithium-ion battery
- » Optional hands-free control with a foot pedal
- Internal memory stores patient files and are accessible through a USB 2.0 port

### Benefits

#### COMPUFLO<sup>®</sup> + CATHCHECK<sup>™</sup>

- Connects to any traditional loss-of-resistance syringe, maintaining the standard tactile feel technique
- » CompuFlo® can be used with the needle of your choice
- » Objectively discriminates between a true loss-of-resistance and a false loss-of-resistance
- » Constantly and in real-time measures tissue pressure
- » 97% accuracy in labor/delivery, and 96% accuracy in patients with BMI >31<sup>1</sup>
- » Check catheter placement in seconds, not minutes

	Loss-of-Resistance Syringe	CompuFlo®
Uses tactile feel <sup>5</sup>	Х	Х
Objectively measures tissue pressure constantly and in real-time, numerically and graphically <sup>5</sup>		Х
Objectively measures tissue pressure constantly and in real-time, via audible tone		х
Recognizes the presence of pulsatile waveform when the epidural space is accessed with CompuWave™		Х
Reduced procedure time in a randomized clinical trial (COMPASS)		х
Reduced needle passes to the epidural space in a randomized clinical trial (COMPASS)		х
Reduced accidental dural punctures in a randomized clinical trial (COMPASS)		Х
Compared to the traditional LOR technique, real-time pressure sensing technology costs about \$504 dollars less per hospital stay on average <sup>8</sup>		X

# Published Studies & Papers

9 peer reviewed published studies showing the safety and efficacy of the CompuFlo<sup>®</sup> Epidural System.

## New Clinical Trial Finds CompuFlo<sup>®</sup> Instrument a Safe Alternative to Current Standards of Care

#### ANESTHESIA & ANALGESIA - NOVEMBER 2019

- » 160 labor and delivery (L&D) patients 400 total
- » 99% effective in identifying the epidural space on the first attempt
- » 14% more successful in patients with a high BMI
- » L&D epidurals using CompuFlo<sup>®</sup> resulted in 0 dural punctures, compared to 4 dural punctures with the current LOR technique
- » Procedure time reduced by 1 minute with CompuFlo®

# Anesthesiology Research and Practice

#### JANUARY 2019

- » 120 patient clinical study
- » CompuFlo® blocks performed successfully with no complications
- » Consistent differentiation of true loss-of-resistance

# Cost Effectiveness Analysis of Two Labor Epidural Analgesia Techniques; Real-Time Pressure Sensing Technology and Traditional Technique

#### **APRIL 2020**

» Compared to the traditional LOR technique, real-time pressure sensing technology costs about \$504 dollars less per hospital stay on average









# Specifications & Order Information

CompuFlo <sup>®</sup> Epidural Instrument Specifications		
Voltages	100-264 V, 50/60 Hz	
Internal Battery	Up to 2 hrs of use	
Weight	2.3 kg (5.0 lbs)	
Dimensions	24.38 x 17.15 x 14 cm (9.6 x 6.75 x 5.5 in)	
Operational Temperature	10-35 °C (50-95 °F)	
Operational Humidity	30-70% RH	
Storage Temperature	-20-45 °C (-4-113 °F)	
Storage Humidity	15-90% RH	
Compliance	IEC 60601-1 3.1 (2012) Edition "Medical electrical equipment - Part 1: General requirements for basic safety and essential performance" "Medical Electrical Equipment: Part 1-2 General Requirements for Basic Safety and Essential Performance Collateral Standard: Electromagnetic Compatibility Requirements and Test"	

CompuFlo <sup>®</sup> Epidural Instrument			
CompuFlo <sup>®</sup> Epidural Instrument 110	EPI-6000-110		
CompuFlo <sup>®</sup> Epidural Instrument 220	EPI-6000-220		

CathCheck™ Equipment		
CathCheck™ ID Adaptor & Kit	EPI-6010-03	

CompuFlo <sup>®</sup> Epidural Disposables		
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