# Thora-Cath®

Silicone Chest Drainage Catheter w/ Trocar

## Designed *specifically* for the fragile neonate...



The stainless steel trocar is pointed but protected, for better control when penetrating the pleural wall and making final placement.

- -Minimizes bruising to the pleura of the lung and chest wall during insertion
- -Soft silicone material decreases irritation and resists clotting
- -Radiopaque stripe helps ensure proper placement by identification of distal hole on x-ray
- -Complete depth markings and three openings in tip of catheter for more effective drainage
- -Universal hub adapts to suction drainage systems



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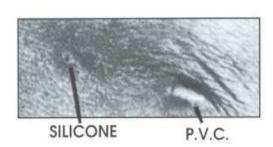


## PRODUCT INFORMATION

Thora-Cath<sup>®</sup> is made of soft non-reactive silicone, which facilitates faster healing and reduces patient discomfort.

### Additional Advantages:

- Clotting and encrustation are reduced due to the use of an optimally biocompatible material.
- Catheter drainage is improved and patency is maintained.
- Due to biocompatibility of silicone, infection and serum accumulation are reduced.
- May be inserted with or without the trocar depending on physician discretion.



#### A comparison of wound site healing

Silicone thoracic drain tube site (left), PVC thoracic drain tube site (right), 10 days after simultaneous removal of respective drains.

Photo courtesy of Joe D. Morris, M.D., Clinical Professor of Surgery, University of Michigan, Head of Thoracic Surgery, St. Joseph Mercy Hospital, Ann Arbor, Michigan.

Model	Description	<b>Unit of Measure</b>	Image
4149609	Thora-Cath® Silicone Chest Drainage Catheter 9.6 French, with Trocar	10/BOX	
4141209	Thora-Cath® Silicone Chest Drainage Catheter 12 French, with Trocar	10/BOX	
4141409	Thora-Cath® Silicone Chest Drainage Catheter 14 French, with Trocar	10/BOX	





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