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Mikro-Tip® Catheter Pressure Transducer

Animal Use Only

1F CATHETER

Instructions for Use

M.I. P/N: 004-2156 Rev. F

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Recommended Accessories

M.I. P/N: 851-5918, Model TC-510 Control Unit, No patient isolation
M.I. P/N: 880-0129, Model PCU-2000 Control Unit with Patient Isolation
M I. P/N: 850-1118, Model TEC-5C Extension Cable
M.I. P/N: 850-1108, Model TEC-10C Extension Cable
M.I. P/N: 850-1308, Model TEC-10D Extension Cable
M.I. P/N: 850-5088, Model PEC-1.5C Extension Cable to PCU-2000
M.I. P/N: 850-5089, Model PEC-10C Extension Cable to PCU-2000
M.I. P/N: 850-5103, PEC-4D Extension Cable to PCU-2000
M.I. P/N: 850-5090, PEC-10D Extension Cable to PCU-2000
Monitor Input Cables as appropriate for monitor.
All accessories sold separately.

Definition of Symbols


Attention, consult accompanying documents


Date of Manufacture

REF Catalog Number

SN Serial Number

Batch Code


Use By Date


Electrostatic Sensitive Device


EU Declaration of Conformity

Device Description

Mikro-Tip catheters consist of an ultra-miniature pressure sensor(s) at the distal end of a catheter, as shown in Figure 1, with an electrical connector(s) at the proximal end. The pressure sensor produces an electrical output signal, which varies in direct proportion to the magnitude of sensed pressure.

Mikro-Tip catheters are intended for multiple uses. Experience has proven that the instruments are safe and effective for extended service if proper handling, cleaning, and sterilization procedures are followed.

Immediately upon receipt of the catheter, and prior to its initial cleaning, sterilization, and use, the customer should verify that the catheter is operational.

Flexible extension cables are available for connection between the pressure connector and the pressure control unit. These flexible cables facilitate maneuvering the catheter during recording. They may be sterilized to permit connection of the transducer to a Millar control unit outside the sterile field.

Millar Limited Warranty

Millar, Inc. (Millar) warrants that at the time of sale to the original purchaser, the device was free from defects in both materials and workmanship. For a period of 90 days (3 months) from the date of original shipment to the original purchaser, Millar will, at no charge and at its option, replace any Mikro-Tip transducer found to have been shipped with defects in either materials or workmanship. Our warranty does not cover damage to the product from alterations, misuse, abuse, negligence, or accident.

Millar hereby excludes all warranties not herein stated, whether express or implied by operation of law or course of dealing or trade usage or otherwise, including but not limited to any implied warranties of fitness or merchantability.

Since handling, storage, cleaning and sterilization of the product, as well as factors relating to patient diagnosis, treatment, catheterization procedures, and other matters beyond Millar's control, directly affect the product and the results obtained from its use, Millar shall not be liable for any incidental or consequential loss, damage, or expense arising directly or indirectly from the use of this product.

The user shall determine suitability for use of these medical devices for any surgical procedure. Therefore, the user accepts these devices subject to all the terms hereof.

Intended Use/Indications

The use of Mikro-Tip catheter is indicated when physiological pressures are to be measured.

For cardiovascular applications, Mikro-Tip catheters may be introduced into the cardiovascular system percutaneously or through the wall of a surgically exposed artery or vein.

With the aid of fluoroscopy or echocardiography, the transducer may be advanced from the introduction site to the desired loc

ation.

This product is designed for use by professionals with appropriate education and training in life science and medical research applications.

Warnings

- Mikro-Tip transducer catheters are shipped with a plastic or foam dome fitting over the pressure sensor. The dome should be in place during handling.
- Do not allow any body fluids to collect under protective covering on catheter connector; otherwise, sterilization cannot be assured.

Precautions

Use of Mikro-Tip catheters should be restricted to specialists who are familiar with, and have been trained to perform, the catheterization procedures for which the device is intended.

- Inspect the Mikro-Tip catheter for damage (cracking, kinks, etc.) prior to each use.
- Clean the Mikro-Tip catheter immediately after each use (see Cleaning).
- Store Mikro-Tip catheters in a dark, cool, dry place.
- Do not touch the sensor area with sharp objects. Do not make sharp bends in the catheter.
- Refrain from applying direct pressure to the sensor area with instruments such as forceps or tweezers.
- When handling the catheter with either fingertips or surgical instruments, always grip several millimeters (5-10 mm) proximal to the sensor area. The sensor area contains very fragile wires which may be damaged or broken if the catheter is gripped too close to the sensor.
- Avoid electrostatic discharge to the Mikro-Tip sensor. Do not touch the sensor element while the catheter is disconnected from monitoring equipment.

Maintaining Device Effectiveness

Storage

Store the catheter in the plastic tray provided. Make sure the catheter has a plastic or foam dome fitting over each pressure sensor.

Plastic Dome Fitting

All catheters are shipped with a protective tubing(s) and/or plastic dome fitting over the pressure sensor(s) to protect the sensor from damage.

When using the plastic dome fitting, the tip of the pressure sensor should be positioned inside the plastic dome fitting as shown in Figure 2.

Routine Inspection and Testing

CAUTION: If damage is found during inspection, DO NOT use the catheter. Contact Millar or authorized distributor.

Catheter

Inspect each catheter thoroughly before and after each use. Carefully examine the catheter for defects.

Pressure Sensor(s)

Examine the pressure sensor active surface (diaphragm) for blood or materials not removed by cleaning. A dirty sensor may cause short-term baseline drift. Follow cleaning directions in this IFU.

Connector(s) and Cable(s)

The connector(s) should be routinely inspected for corrosion or bad contacts. Liquid entering the connector(s) can cause electrical hazard, erratic operation and components corrosion.

Transducer Verification and Setup

CAUTION: DO NOT handle or squeeze the pressure transducers during catheter manipulation!

Each transducer is calibrated for a standardized sensitivity of **5µV/V/mmHg (37.6 µV/V/kPa)**.

To verify system outputs, apply a reference pressure signal to adjust sensitivity or to specific monitor requirement. Use a mercury manometer or electronic pressure reference device, as shown in Figure 3a or 3b.

Apply a known pressure to the Millar catheter and verify the signal at the monitor.

Follow the instructions for the Millar pressure control unit being used. Set up the mercury manometer as shown in 3a or 3b and compare the 100 mmHg (13.3 kPa) output produced using the mercury manometer with the electrical 100 mmHg (13.3 kPa) produced by the control unit.

Reading errors at or near the 0 mmHg (0kPa) manometer indication can be minimized by offsetting the manometer zero indication to 20 mmHg (26.6 kPa) and using the 100 mmHg (133 kPa) increments from the 20-120 mmHg (26.6 – 160 kPa) pressure indication rather than the 0-100 mmHg (0-133 kPa) pressure indication.

Errors due to inconsistent meniscus shape between consecutive readings can be minimized by adjusting the pressure at each reading to maintain a consistent curve at the top of the meniscus. These errors may be avoided by using an electronic pressure reference device as shown in Figure 3b.

Operating Instructions

When Using a Millar Pressure Control Unit (see Control Unit's IFU)

1. Soak the sensor in room-temperature sterile water or sterile saline for 30 minutes prior to use to minimize drift.
2. Connect the Millar pressure control unit to the monitor.
3. Turn the pressure control unit function switch to STANDBY 0 and adjust the monitor to zero baseline.
4. Turn the pressure control unit function switch to 100 mmHg and adjust the monitor sensitivity.

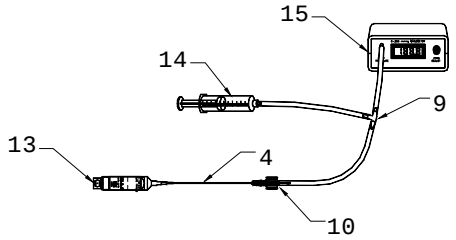


Figure 3b

Figure Legend

1. Pressure Sensing Area
2. Wires to Connector
3. Vent to Connector
4. Catheter
5. Silicone Rubber
6. Pressure Sensor
7. Luer Fitting
8. Manometer
9. Tee Fitting
10. Plastic Dome
11. Pressure Transducer Catheter
12. To Recorder
13. Connector
14. Syringe
15. Electronic Pressure Reference
16. Red Cap
17. Coupling

Figures

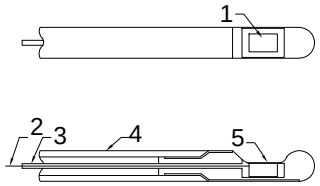
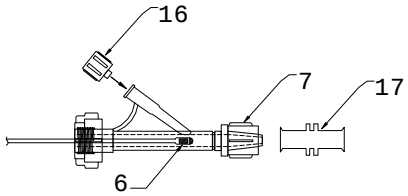


Figure 1



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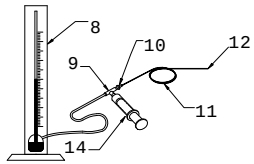


Figure 3a

5. Connect the extension cable to the pressure control unit.
6. Connect the catheter to the extension cable.
7. Turn the pressure control unit function switch to TRANSDUCER. Shield the sensor from light. Adjust the TRANSDUCER BALANCE CONTROL to a zero baseline. LOCK the catheter balance.
8. The catheter system is now ready for use.

Monitor ZERO-REFERENCE can be verified by setting the Millar pressure control unit selector switch to STANDBY 0 to reproduce the original zero baseline. Monitor zero baseline adjustment can be performed at this time if required. Monitor GAIN can then be verified by setting the selector switch to the 100 mmHg (13.3 kPa) position on the control unit. Monitor GAIN adjustments can be made at this time if required.

CAUTION: The “zero” output produced by placing the control unit function switch in the STANDBY 0 position is an electrical zero, not an atmospheric zero!

Operational Notes

CAUTION: Use appropriate size introducer for catheter being used.

CAUTION: Consider use of systemic heparinization.

Phonocardiogram Recording

Mikro-Tip catheters have pressure sensors with a sufficiently high frequency response to sense heart sounds. These transducers detect sounds simultaneously from many sources in a localized fashion. Heart sounds visible on the pressure waveform can be amplified and clearly displayed on a separate channel. Heart sounds less than the noise of the display system will display only that noise.

Handling Precautions for Mikro-Tip Catheters

	DO:	DO NOT:
Pressure Sensor	Clean immediately after use	Clean with stiff-bristled brush
		Clean with high pressure water jet
	Protect with dome when not in use	Tap the sensor against a rigid surface
	Disconnect during electrical defibrillation or electro-surgery	Apply excessive force to the sensor surface
		Expose to excessive pressure
Catheter & Pigtail	Clean immediately after use	Cut, crease, knot, fold, kink, or crush with forceps or clamps of any kind
Connector & Cables	Protect connectors from fluid	Immerse connectors in liquid
Cleaning	Keep catheter, and sensor wet until cleaning	Expose to alcohol, cresols, phenols, mercury compounds, hypochlorites, acetone, peroxide, silicone chlorine, xylenes, trichloroethylene, or freon
	Clean thoroughly with approved enzymatic cleanser immediately after use	Use ultrasonic cleaner.
		Immerse electrical connector
Sterilizing	Dry catheter before sterilizing	Autoclave, irradiate (gamma/e-beam), plasma, peroxide or formaldehyde vapor solutions
	Remove plastic dome from catheter	Use Sporox or Cidex PA solutions

Troubleshooting and Corrective Maintenance

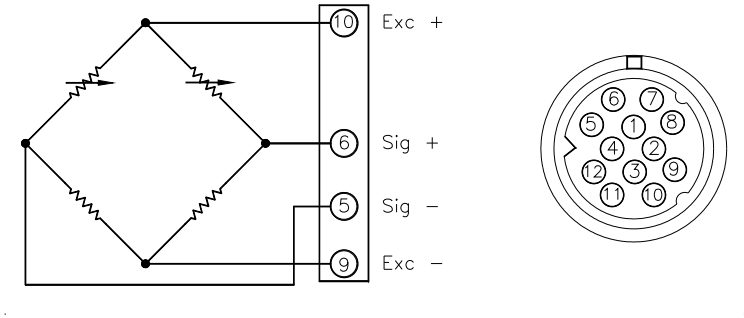
Problem	Probable Cause	Corrective Action
Excessive Drift	Deposit of foreign material on the diaphragm of the pressure sensor.	Follow Cleaning Instructions. If problem persists, contact Millar.
Transducer will not balance (zero)	Moisture in the connector, damage to wires in the catheter, or fractured strain gauge within pressure sensor	Follow Operating Instructions or substitute a transducer known to be operating properly into the recording system.

Cleaning

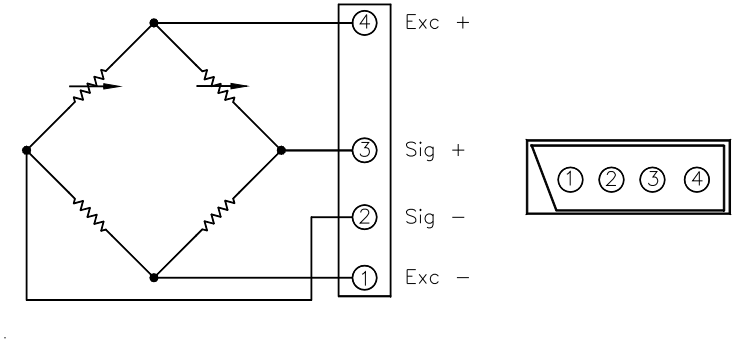
Approved Cleaners and Disinfectants

Type	**Trade Name**	**Manufacturer**	**Active Ingredient.**	**Soak Time/Temperature**
Enzymatic Detergent	Enzol® (in UK: Cidezyme®)	Advanced Sterilization Products (J&J)	Propylene Glycol	15 minutes / room temperature
	Endozime®	Ruhoff Corporation	Propylene Glycol	15 minutes / room temperature
	Terg-A-Zyme®	Alconox	Sodium Dodecylbenzene	15 minutes / room temperature
High-level	Cidex Activated	Advanced	Glutaraldehyde	1-2 hours / 25 °C

Schematics



Sensor & Viking Connector



Sensor & Low Profile Connector

Sensor Specification

Type of Sensor	Diffused Semiconductor, piezoresistive
Pressure Range	-50 to + 300 mmHg (-6.7 to 40 kPa)
Overpressure	+4000 mmHg (+530 kPa), -760 mmHg (100
Rated Excitation*	2.0-10.0 V_{DC} or V_{AC} rms
Sensitivity	5 µV/V/mmHg, nominal (37.6 µV/V/kPa)
Temperature Error Band at Zero Pressure	±3 mmHg (± 0.4 kPa) BSL, 23 - 38 ºC
Linearity and Hysteresis (Combined)	±2%, BSL of full scale
Drift**	<6 mmHg (0.8 kPa) in 12 hours
Natural Frequency	≥10 kHz
Bridge Resistance	1000 ohms, nominal
Reference Pressure	Atmosphere
Electrical Leakage	< 10 µA at 25 V_{DC}
Zero Offset	< ±50 mmHg (± 6.7 kPa)

* Performance specifications are for 5 V_{DC}. Transient voltages up to 20 volts will not damage the transducer.
** Based on 30 minute presoak.

Type	Trade Name	Manufacturer	Active Ingredient.	Soak Time/Temperature
Disinfectant	Dialdehyde Solution	Sterilization Products (J&J)		(77°F)
	Cidex® OPA	Advanced Sterilization Products (J&J)	Ortho-phthalaldehyde	16-30 minutes / 20 °C (68°F)
	MetriCide®	Metrex	Glutaraldehyde	1-2 hours / 25 °C (77°F)

DO NOT USE:

- Glutaraldehyde solutions containing surfactants (e.g., Cidex 7 or Cidex Plus 28 Day)
- Solutions containing hydrogen peroxide (e.g. Sporox)
- Cidex PA solution

Water Resistant Connector Caps

Each catheter has water-resistant caps to protect electrical pins and circuitry. Place caps over the open end of the connectors before cleaning and disinfecting. Remove caps prior to sterilization. Save and reuse these caps each time the catheter is cleaned and disinfected.

Cleaning Procedure

CAUTION: DO NOT submerge the wye junction or connectors. This will damage the catheter and void its warranty! Wipe with cleaner and gauze.

CAUTION: Use only the listed cleaners for the times/temperatures indicated.

CAUTION: Delays in rinsing greatly reduce cleaning effectiveness!

1. Wipe catheter with wetted gauze after use to remove bulk contaminants.
2. Submerge only the distal contaminated portion of the catheter in room-temperature water (DO NOT use hot water) up to the wye junction, or the connector's strain relief.
3. Wipe the proximal outer surface of the catheter (including wye junction, and connector(s)) with soft gauze.
4. Prepare cleaning solution. Place the distal portion of the catheter in the cleaning solution.
5. Wet soft surgical gauze with the cleaning solution. Wipe the outer surface of the catheter with gauze.
6. Soak distal portion of the catheter in a cleaning solution for the time specified, and then remove.
7. Gently wipe the catheter and sensor clean with a soft, wet gauze or tissue.
8. Immediately rinse the catheter and sensor(s) at least three times with sterile, pyrogen-free water. Do not reuse the water from each rinse, as it will contain residuals from the cleaner.
9. Dry the outside of the catheter with soft gauze.
10. Package for sterilization.
11. Failure to clean and sterilize according to directions may void catheter warranty.

Disinfection

1. The catheter must be cleaned, rinsed and dried prior to disinfection. Soil, debris, proteins, and water can interfere with the effectiveness of the following procedure,

posing a risk to the patient and the user. Note that some disinfectants have a limited usable life after activation or opening the container. Failure to heed such warnings can inhibit the effectiveness of the disinfection process.

2. Prepare the disinfectant according to the manufacturer's instructions.
3. Submerge the catheter into the disinfectant up to the junction (dual-sensor models) or the connector strain relief (single-sensor models). Do not submerge the junction or the connector as it will damage the transducer and void the warranty.
4. The disinfectant must be in contact with all surfaces that need to be disinfected.
5. Soak the transducer in the disinfectant at the temperature and time intervals listed.

Rinsing after Disinfection

1. Rinse the device by submerging all exterior disinfected surfaces in sterile pyrogen-free water. The volume of the water should be at least two gallons (7.6 liters) and the soak time should be at least one minute.
2. At least three separate rinses are required. Do not reuse any of the water used for rinsing since it will be contaminated with the disinfectant.

Method of Sterilization for Catheters and Extension Cables (Optional)

CAUTION: DO NOT sterilize by autoclaving, radiation (gamma or e-beam), plasma, peroxide, or formaldehyde vapor solutions.

Catheters must be completely cleaned and dried before sterilization. Aerate at room temperature or in a heated aeration cabinet. (max. 145 ºF, 63 ºC) Catheters may be sterilized in the white plastic shipping tray. The foam dome and connector caps must be removed and placed alongside the catheter inside the pouch during sterilization. The caps should be saved and reused each time the catheter is cleaned.

The tray, with lid, should be placed in a breathable polyethylene pouch (e.g., 3M™ Steri-Lok™).

CAUTION: The catheter should be completely dry before sterilization.

Ethylene Oxide Sterilization Cycle Parameters

Preheat phase:	Starting Temperature 110 ºF (43ºC) min. Duration 30 minutes
Initial Vacuum:	6.0 inHgA (20.3 kPa) Rate: 3 minutes
Nitrogen Flush: 2 cycles	
Nitrogen Addition to:	28.0 ± 0.5 inHgA (94.8 ± 1.7 kPa)
Rate:	1.4 ± 0.5 inHgA/min. (4.7 ± 1.7 kPa/min.)
Evacuation:	6.0 ± 0.5 inHgA (20.3 ± 1.7 kPa)
Rate:	1.0 ± 0.5 inHgA/min. (3.4 ± 1.7 kPa)
Conditioning	
Humidification:	1.5 ± 0.5 inHgA (5.1 ± 1.7 kPa)
Steam Conditioning:	10 min.
Humidity Dwell:	30 ± 5 min. at 7.5 ± 0.5 inHgA (25.4 ± 1.7 kPa)
Relative Humidity:	15-70%
Ethylene Oxide Concentration:	500 ± 50 mg/L
Dwell Pressure:	16.5 ± 1.0 inHgA (55.8 ± 3.4 kPa)
Dwell Time:	2 hours
Temperature:	110-130 ºF (43-54 ºC)
Relative Humidity:	30-70% (35-44% nominal)
After Vacuum	
Vacuum:	6.0 ± 0.5 inHgA (20.3 ± 1.7 kPa)
Rate:	1.0 ± 0.5 inHgA/min. (3.4 ± 1.7 kPa)
Vacuum Hold:	10 min.
Gas Wash A:	4 cycles (minimum)
Release:	30.0 inHgA/min. (94.8 ± 1.7 kPa)
Rate:	1.4 ± 0.5 inHgA/min. (4.7 ± 1.7 kPa)
Vacuum	6.0 ± 0.5 inHgA (20.3 ± 1.7 kPa)
Rate:	1.0 ± 0.5 inHgA/min. (3.4 ± 1.7 kPa)
Release (Filtered Air):	28.0 ±0.5 inHgA (94.8 ± 1.7 kPa)
Rate:	2.0 ± 0.5 inHgA/min. (6.6 ± 1.7 kPa)
Aeration (Hot Cell)	
Duration:	At least 8 hours
Temperature:	110 ± 10 ºF (43 ºC)

CAUTION: The Mikro-Tip transducer should not be used earlier than 5 days after sterilization.