SonoSystem
The complete system for ultrasound guided nerve blocks

Nerve blocks
“Cornerstone” reflectors
More visibility and safety under ultrasound

Ultrasound guided regional anaesthesia has become the dominant technique. Today even the finest anatomical structures including peripheral nerves can be identified in detail and anaesthetised selectively under viewing using modern high-resolution ultrasound scanners. Echogenic cannulas are more convenient and contribute to an improved quality of the ultrasound image in use when compared with non-echogenic designs.¹ The cannula is advanced completely under viewing resulting in a minimization of the risk of complications. The visibility of cannulas under ultrasound monitoring has become one of the most important criterion for the selection of a product in clinical practice particularly for steep insertion angles.² Based on the “Cornerstone” technology developed together with Dr. Chris Mitchell, PAJUNK® launched the echogenic Sono cannulas a few years ago that exactly meets these requirements.³

**Convincing cannula tip visibility**
The “Cornerstone” reflectors are attached at the distal end of the cannula so that the cannula tip can be clearly identified. ➞ By means of a real-time display of the cannulas under ultrasound monitoring, the risk of nerve contact by the cannula and thus also the risk of nerve injuries can be reduced.⁴

**Visibility even for steep insertion angles**
The “Cornerstone” reflectors are designed so that the ultrasound waves are very well reflected even with an insertion angle of 60° to 70°. ➞ The Sono cannulas are extremely visible even for a steep insertion angle.³

**Sophisticated layout**
The “Cornerstone” reflectors are offset at 60° around the cannula and attached at two sections each of 10mm length. ➞ The ultrasound waves are reflected along a total length of 20mm and as a result the cannula tip can be identified with absolute certainty.

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¹ Abbal, Choquet, Gourari, Bouic, Massone, Riboslet, Bringuier, Capdevila, Enhanced visual acuity with ..., 2014; 67: 12
² Abbal, Choquet, Gourari, Bouic, Massone, Riboslet, Bringuier, Capdevila, Enhanced visual acuity with ..., 2014; 67: 13
⁴ Schafhalter-Zoppoth, McCulloch, Gray, Ultrasound Visibility of Needles ..., 2004; 480
Precise insulation
The Sono cannulas are coated using the innovative NanoLine technology.
- This has excellent gliding qualities, increases visibility under ultrasound monitoring and enables exact stimulation exclusively through the non-insulated tip.

- Reflection of ultrasound waves over a 20 mm length
- Visibility even for steep insertion angles
- 360° graduation for identification in every position
- Precise stimulation and outstanding gliding qualities with NanoLine
Together with Dr Meier, PAJUNK® is the first manufacturer to have developed a technique by which the catheter is introduced in sterile condition directly from a container through the cannula, and the anaesthetic is injected through the catheter. This patented technique has established itself successfully on the market and has aroused a great response and recognition in the professional world.

PAJUNK® differentiates between four SonoSystem set variants depending on the catheter properties:

**SonoLong Echo for convincing ultrasound visibility**

Set consisting of SonoLong Echo catheter + SonoLong NanoLine cannula with

- Facet tip
- Sprotte® SPECIAL tip
- Tuohy tip

**SonoLong Curl Echo for precise catheter placement**

Set consisting of SonoLong Curl Echo catheter with coiled tip + SonoLong NanoLine cannula with

- Tuohy tip
You also have a choice between up to three different cannula types depending on the set variant. While the facet tip cannula exclusively places the catheter parallel to the nerve, the SPROTTE® SPECIAL cannula and the Tuohy cannula are suitable for those cases, where it is necessary to introduce the catheter at an angle to the nerve.

**SonoLong Sono for maximum kink resistance**

Set consisting of SonoLong Sono catheter with integrated stainless steel helical coil + SonoLong NanoLine cannula with

**Facet tip**

**SPROTTE® SPECIAL tip**

**Tuohy tip**

**StimuLong Sono II for additional nerve stimulation**

Set consisting of StimuLong Sono catheter with stimulateable tip + SonoLong NanoLine cannula with

**Facet tip**

**Tuohy tip**
SonoLong Echo
Catheter placement directly through the cannula

Ultrasound monitoring has radically changed processes in continuous regional anaesthesia. This has resulted in new requirements for the visibility of cannula and catheters as well as their handling that our development department has been intensively working on for some time. Since PAJUNK® set a milestone in the industry in terms of the ultrasound visibility of cannulas with “Cornerstone” technology, we are pleased that with SonoLong Echo we succeeded in developing an ultrasound visible, MRT visible and radiopaque catheter.

The kit consists of:
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with “Cornerstone” reflectors optionally available with SPROTTE® SPECIAL tip, Tuohy tip or facet tip
- SonoLong Echo catheter with catheter container
- FixoLong system
- Colour coded adapter

Simple handling
The SonoLong Echo sets are equipped with a catheter container. The catheter can therefore be introduced into the cannula in a sterile condition. Furthermore this prevents the common memory effect that arises when winding the catheter in the packaging.

Ascending length indication
The catheter with a length of 50 cm has been provided with an ascending length indication up to a length of 30 cm in intervals of 5 cm. Its position can therefore be determined exactly at any time.
**Catheter with central orifice**

The centre of the catheter is open. ➔ This ensures the free flow of the anaesthetic – particularly in connection with the post-operative injection pump.

**Steel stylet**

The catheter of the SonoLong Echo set has a steel stylet, which is locked in place in the introductory aid at its end, and is removed together with the container after the application of the catheter. ➔ This provides the catheter with the optimal stiffness.

**Catheter material that is extremely visible under ultrasound monitoring and in MRT and also radiopaque** ➔ The best requirements for clear identification in all three procedures.

**It is introduced directly over the cannulas in the sterile entry**

**Central opening enables a good and continuous flow of anaesthesia**

The special catheter material is extremely visible under ultrasound monitoring and in MRT and also radiopaque. – The best requirements for clear identification in all three procedures.
**SonoLong Curl Echo**

**The “on-the-dot” anaesthesia, with a minimum of medication required**

The provision of “Cornerstone” reflectors eases precise positioning of the SonoLong NanoLine cannula in the direct proximity of the nerve under ultrasound monitoring. Since the catheter will follow the path with the least resistance, and this does not always coincide with the neural structures, it is also necessary to monitor the position of the catheter exactly. Against this background, the SonoLong Curl Echo set was developed by PAJUNK® together with Dr. Cedric Luyet, which has a catheter that has been designed in a very special manner.

The SonoLong Curl Echo catheter enables precise catheter positioning for a minimum of required medication. As soon as the catheter passes through the opening of the cannula, the soft tip of the Curl catheter tip will roll up and therefore access the point where the cannula tip is positioned. This permits an extremely precise anaesthesia, with a minimum of medication required. The SonoLong Curl Echo catheter is visible under ultrasound and is also radiopaque.

**The kit consists of:**
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with “Cornerstone” reflectors and Tuohy tip
- SonoLong Curl Echo catheter in the catheter container
- FixaLong system
- Colour coded adapter

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![Diagram of SonoLong Curl Echo](image-url)
For position control after catheter placement the catheter has been equipped with a 10 mm depth marking. With this it can be concluded if the catheter is still in the right position.

**Depth marking for position control**

The radiopaque SonoLong Curl Echo catheter is extremely visible under ultrasound. It has a curled end, a closed tip and six lateral openings. It can therefore be positioned extremely precisely and also provides an even distribution of anaesthetic.

**Exact catheter positioning**
The SonoLong Curl Echo catheter curls in the direct proximity of the nerve. This guarantees a very precise administration of local anaesthetic at the intended location.

**Integrated stainless steel helical coil**
The stainless steel helical coil makes the catheter absolutely kink-proof.

- This enables the unhindered flow of the anaesthetic, also and particularly over a longer period of time.

**Coiled tip enables precise placement**

**Six lateral eyes enable an even distribution of the anaesthesia**

**Integrated stainless helical coil for maximum buckle protection and unhindered flow**

**Cannula and catheter are extremely visible under ultrasound**
SonoLong Sono

The kink-proof catheter with a stainless steel helical coil

The SonoLong Sono kit is a joint development from PAJUNK® and Dr Meier. It is different from the SonoLong NanoLine kit only through the design of the catheter. It is equipped with an integrated stainless steel helical coil, and is suitable for long-term treatment in pain therapy and plexus anaesthesia. The SonoLong Sono kit is, just as the SonoLong Echo kit, available with three different types of cannulas: with a SPROTTE® SPECIAL tip, with a facet tip or with a Tuohy tip. All three cannula variants are equipped with the proven “Cornerstone” reflectors for improved visibility under ultrasound monitoring. The catheter material itself is characterized by its excellent echogenicity.

The kit consists of:
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with “Cornerstone” reflectors optionally available with SPROTTE® SPECIAL tip, Tuohy tip or facet tip
- SonoLong Sono catheter in catheter container
- FixoLong system
- Colour coded adapter

Simple handling
The SonoLong Sono kits are equipped with a catheter container. The catheter can therefore be introduced into the cannula in a sterile condition. Furthermore this prevents the common memory effect that arises when winding the catheter in the packaging.

Ascending length indication
The catheter with a length of 50 cm has been provided with an ascending length indication up to a length of 30 cm in intervals of 5 cm. Its position can therefore be determined exactly at any time.

Visibility and orientation
The SonoLong Sono catheter is manufactured from echogenic material and graduated along the first 30 cm. This simplifies positioning and identification under ultrasound.
Unobstructed flow of the anaesthesia
The integrated stainless steel helical coil makes the catheter absolutely kink-proof.
⇒ The best requirements for the unobstructed flow of anaesthesia for continuous applications and the safe connection of the catheter to the injection pump.

Soft, flexible catheter tip
The steel stylet ends 1 cm before reaching the catheter tip, which leaves the tip soft and flexible.
⇒ This helps in avoiding inadvertent injuries of vessels, while providing for maximum flexibility during the introduction and placement of the catheter.

⇒ Maximum mobility and buckle protection thanks to the stainless steel helical coil
⇒ Soft, flexible catheter tip prevents inadvertent injuries
⇒ Cannula and catheter are extremely visible under ultrasound monitoring
**StimuLong Sono II**

**The combination of ultrasound and nerve stimulation provides double safety**

The StimuLong Sono II combines the advantages of a stimulateable catheter with those of echogenic “Cornerstone” cannulas in one set. The StimuLongSono II catheter is characterized by its stimulateable tip. Stimulation is achieved here using an additional electric conductor that remains in the catheter over the entire application period and thus also enables subsequent position control. The relevant nerve is first identified by the echogenic “Cornerstone” cannula. In a second stage, the accuracy of the catheter placement can then be checked using nerve stimulation. The distance to the nerve can be derived at the minimum current strength that is required for stimulation. As the inner lumen is completely NanoLine coated when compared with conventional cannulas, comprehensive insulation can be assumed. Stimulation takes place exactly when the catheter tip comes out of the cannula. A secondary position control of the catheter tip is also possible for intermittent post-operative pain therapy.

**The kit consists of:**
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with “Cornerstone” reflectors optionally available with Tuohy tip or facet tip
- StimuLong Sono catheter in catheter container
- FixaLong system
- Colour coded adapter

**Graduation**
The catheter with a length of 50 cm has been provided with an ascending longitudinal graduation up to a length of 30 cm in intervals of 5 cm. This allows for outstanding localization.

**Simple handling**
The SonoLong Sono sets are equipped with a catheter container. The catheter can therefore be introduced into the cannula in a sterile condition. Furthermore this prevents the common memory effect that arises when winding the catheter in the packaging.
Stimulateable catheter

The catheter has a continuous electrical circuit. This establishes the electrical connection between the clamping adapter and stimulateable catheter tip.

Integrated stainless steel helical coil

The stainless steel helical coil makes the catheter absolutely kink-proof. This ensures the unhindered flow of the anaesthetic, also and particularly over a longer period of time.

The atraumatically rounded tip of the StimuLong Sono catheter is gold-plated. As a result, the highest possible conductivity and an excellent stimulation capability are guaranteed.

Tuohy tip

- Reliable flow of anaesthesia thanks to integrated stainless steel helical coil
- Stimulateable catheter ensures safety during placement
- Excellent conductivity and stimulation capability due to gold-plated catheter tip
Innovative catheter fixation
FixoLong and FixoCath – ensure freedom of movement

PAJUNK® developed two different solutions for catheter fixation on patients; FixoLong and FixoCath for catheter sizes 19 G and 20 G. It is precisely in continual application where they prevent the catheter from getting pulled out by accident when the patient moves and where the infl ow of the anaesthetic is obstructed by an unfavourable position.

FixoLong filter fixation
With FixoLong, the catheter and bacterial filter are fixated near the catheter exit, which enables the patients maximum freedom of movement during all continuous applications.  
Art. No. 001151-40

FixoCath catheter fixation
FixoCath is simultaneously a surgical dressing and fixation and is placed directly on the exit point. The aim here is to also provide the maximum freedom of movement for the patient. The FixoCath is sterile packed and available in a packaging unit of 10 pieces.  
Art. No. 001151-37Z

Bacterial filter
The 0.2 µm bacterial filter prevents the passage of particles.  
Art. No. 001151-37X

Clamping adapter
The special PAJUNK® Clamping Adapters safety lock prevents over-tensioning while enabling an unhindered flow of anaesthesia.  
Art. No. 001151-37V
**Complete SonoSystem**

**The systems at a glance**

**SonoLong Echo**

Set consisting of:
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with Luer Lock connector and electrical connecting cable
- Adaptable injection tube
- SonoLong Echo catheter 20 G x 50 cm with central opening and steel stylet
- Clamping adapter (yellow)
- Bacterial filter 0.2 µm
- FixoLong

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**The systems at a glance**

### SonoLong Curl Echo

Set consisting of:
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with Luer Lock connector and electrical connecting cable
- Adaptable injection tube
- SonoLong Curl Echo catheter 20 G with integrated stainless steel helical coil, closed tip and 6 lateral openings
- Clamping adapter (yellow)
- Bacterial filter 0.2 µm
- FixoLong

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Set consisting of:
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with Luer Lock connector and electrical connecting cable
- Adaptable injection tube
- SonoLong Sono catheter 20 G with integrated stainless steel helical coil, steel stylet and central opening
- Clamping adapter (yellow)
- Bacterial filter 0.2 µm
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The systems at a glance

StimuLong Sono II

Set consisting of:
- SonoLong NanoLine cannula with Luer Lock connector and electrical connecting cable
- Adaptable injection tube
- StimuLong Sono catheter 20 G x 50 cm with central opening, electrically conductive stylet and integrated metal helical coil
- StimuLong clamping adapter (yellow) with integrated stimulation connection
- Connecting cable
- Bacterial filter 0.2 µm
- FixoLong

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