SonoSystem
The complete system for ultrasound guided nerve blocks

Regional anaesthesia
Regional anaesthesia has become an integral part of daily surgical practice. Beside the single shot techniques for the peripheral blocks during operational interventions, the continuous techniques additionally help to alleviate post operative pain, to improve the operative result and to enhance patient comfort.

By providing a comprehensive programme for single shot and for continuous plexus anaesthesia, PAJUNK® supports the following applications with its catheter puncture kits:

**Peripheral blocks**

- **Upper extremities** (brachial plexus)
  - Interscalene brachial plexus block
  - Axillary brachial plexus block

- **Lower extremities** (lumbosacral plexus)
  - Femoral nerve block
  - Sciatic nerve block
Sciatic nerve block – subgluteal region

Obturator nerve block

Supraclavicular brachial plexus block

Vertical infraclavicular plexus block

Subgluteal region

Sciatic nerve block – subgluteal region

Obturator nerve block
**SonoPlex Stim cannulas**

**The system for more visibility and safety under ultrasound monitoring**

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. This method supports the traditional procedure by means of nerve stimulation. But daily practice has shown, that it is not at all that easy to identify the cannula tip definitely and clearly on the viewing screen of the ultrasonic device. Before this background, PAJUNK® has developed the “Cornerstone” reflectors in cooperation with Dr Chris Mitchell and has thereby launched a new cannula generation, with a 100%-reflection-guarantee under ultrasound monitoring.*

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**Guaranteed cannula tip visibility**
The distal end has two embossed sections of 10 mm length each.
- The ultrasound waves are reflected along a total length of 20 mm and as a result the cannula tip can be identified with absolute certainty.

**Visibility regardless of the puncture angle**
The nature of the “Cornerstone” reflectors guarantees ideal reflection behaviour, independent of the puncture angle.
- The ultrasound waves are reflected even at very steep puncture angles.

* See overview of studies on the reverse side
Perfect gliding qualities
The cannulas are coated using the innovative NanoLine technology.
➤ This has excellent gliding qualities, increases visibility under ultrasound monitoring and stimulates exclusively through the non-insulated tip.

Sophisticated layout
Each cannula segment is graduated all-around with “Cornerstone” reflectors that are offset 60°.
➤ Perfect cannula identification is guaranteed in every position.

Ultrasound marker with perfect reflection properties
The “Cornerstone” reflectors (patent pending) are structured so that ultrasound waves are reflected without limitation. As a result of the reflection, the cannula tip is visible and can be clearly identified.
SonoPlex Stim cannulas

Single shot peripheral nerve block anaesthesia under ultrasound monitoring

SonoPlex Stim cannulas were developed by PAJUNK® especially for single shot applications to be used in peripheral block anaesthesia. They are available with a SPROTTE® tip or facet tip. The standard design with NanoLine coating and "Cornerstone" reflectors provides the user with the combination of ultrasound and stimulation for double safety.
There are two different tip geometries available for the user to choose from:

**The SonoPlex Stim cannula with SPROTTE® tip**

The closed tip of this cannula assists the anaesthetist in the atraumatically precise localisation of the nerve.

**The SonoPlex Stim cannula with facet tip**

In comparison with conventional sharp cannulas, this special facet tip reduces the risk of injury to a minimum, and it ensures for an excellent quality of the puncture.
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. The SonoLong NanoLine kit combines this technique with “Cornerstone” cannulas. It is extremely suitable for the performance of the continuous techniques under ultrasonic monitoring.

SonoLong NanoLine kit
Catheter placement directly through the cannula

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

Simple handling
The SonoLong NanoLine kits are equipped with a catheter container. The catheter can therefore be introduced into the cannula in a sterile condition.
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. This ensures the free flow of the anaesthetic – particularly in connection with the post-operative injection pump.

Its position can therefore be determined exactly at any time.

Steal style
The catheter of the SonoLong NanoLine kit has a steal 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 with central orifice
The centre of the radiopaque catheter is open.
SonoLong Sono kit

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 NanoLine 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 maximum visibility under ultrasound monitoring.

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

Three cannula types available

The SonoLong Sono kit is alternatively fitted with three different cannula types. While the facet tip cannula exclusively places the catheter parallel to the nerve, the SPROTTE® SPECIAL tip cannula and the Tuohy tip cannula are suitable for those cases, where it is necessary to introduce the catheter at an angle to the nerve.
Graduation and radiographic contrast strips
The SonoLong Sono catheter is graduated along the first 30 cm, and it has also been provided with radiographic contrast strips. This permits the perfect identification of the catheter as well as its placement.

Large inner lumen and integrated stainless steel helical coil
The SonoLong Sono catheter has a particularly large inner lumen. The integrated stainless steel helical coil makes it absolutely kink-proof.
- The SonoLong Sono catheter thereby fulfills the prerequisites for a safe connection to the injection pump and guarantees the unhindered flow of the anaesthetic for continuous applications.

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.
**SonoLong Curl Sono kit**

*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 Sono kit was developed by PAJUNK® together with Dr Cedric Luyet, which has a catheter that has been fashioned in a very special manner. With the SonoLong Curl Sono kit, the precise placement of the catheter is also guaranteed. 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 remain at the point where the cannula tip is positioned. This permits an extremely precise anaesthesia, with a minimum of medication required. The SonoLong Curl Sono kit is available with a Tuohy tip and equipped with the proven “Cornerstone” reflectors for maximum visibility under ultrasound monitoring.

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

**Simple handling**
The SonoLong Curl Sono kits are equipped with a catheter container. The catheter can therefore be introduced into the cannula in a sterile condition.
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. It's position can therefore be determined exactly at any time.

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.

Curl Catheter Tip
The radiopaque catheter has a curved end, a closed tip and three lateral eyes. This will guarantee the accurate and precise administration of the anaesthetic, and it ensures the free flow of the anaesthetic – particularly in connection with the post-operative injection pump.

Tuohy tip
The cannulas of the SonoLong Curl Sono kit are available with the Tuohy tip.

The SonoLong Curl Sono catheter rolls up in the direct proximity of the nerve, so that the medication will be distributed precisely at the desired location.
StimuLong Sono II kit

The combination of ultrasound and nerve stimulation provides double safety

The StimuLong Sono II kit combines the advantages of a stimulateable catheter with those of echogenic “Cornerstone” cannulas in one kit. The StimuLong Sono II catheter is characterised by its stimulatable 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 are completely coated with NanoLine when compared with conventional cannulas, 100% 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
- FixoLong system
- Colour coded adapter

Two cannula types available
The cannulas of the StimuLong Sono II kit are available with a facet tip or Tuohy tip. While the facet tip is exclusively used to place the catheter parallel to the nerve, the Tuohy tip cannulas are suitable for those cases, where it is necessary to introduce the catheter at an angle to the nerve.

Graduation and radiographic contrast strips
The catheter has been provided with an ascending depth graduation up to a length of 30 cm in intervals of 5 cm as well as radiographic contrast strips. This allows for perfect localisation. In addition, the metal helical coils guarantee 100% ultrasound visibility – an important requirement for optimum catheter placement.
Stimulatable catheter
The catheter has a continuous electrical circuit.
⇒ This establishes the electrical connection between the clamping adapter and stimulateable catheter tip.

Memory-effect precluded
The catheter from PAJUNK® has an integrated stainless steel helical coil and is also supplied in a container.
⇒ This prevents the common memory effect that arises when winding the catheter in the packaging.

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.

Stimulateable tip
The atraumatically rounded tip of the StimuLong Sono catheter is gold-plated.
⇒ The ensures the highest possible conductivity and an excellent stimulation capability.
## Complete SonoSystem

### The systems at a glance

#### SonoPlex Stim cannulas

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SonoLong NanoLine kit

- SonoLong NanoLine cannula LuerLock with electrical connector cable
- Adaptable injection tube
- PlexoLong catheter 20 G x 50 cm with central opening and steel stylet
- Clamping adapter (yellow)
- Filter 0.2 µm
- FixoLong

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- SonoLong Sono catheter 20 G with integrated stainless steel helical coil and central opening
- Clamping adapter (yellow)
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SonoLong Curl Sono kit

- SonoLong NanoLine cannula LuerLock connection and electrical connector cable
- Adaptable injection tube
- SonoLong Curl Sono catheter 20 C with integrated stainless steel helical coil, closed tip and 3 lateral openings
- Clamping adapter (yellow)
- Filter 0.2 µm
- FixoLong

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StimoLong Sono II kit

- SonoLong NanoLine cannula LuerLock connection and electrical connector cable
- Adaptable injection tube
- StimuLong Sono catheter 20 C x 50 cm with central opening, electrically conductive stylet and integrated metal helical coil
- StimuLong adapter with electr. connection
- StimuLong clamping adapter (yellow) with integrated stimulation connection
- Filter 0.2 µm
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