



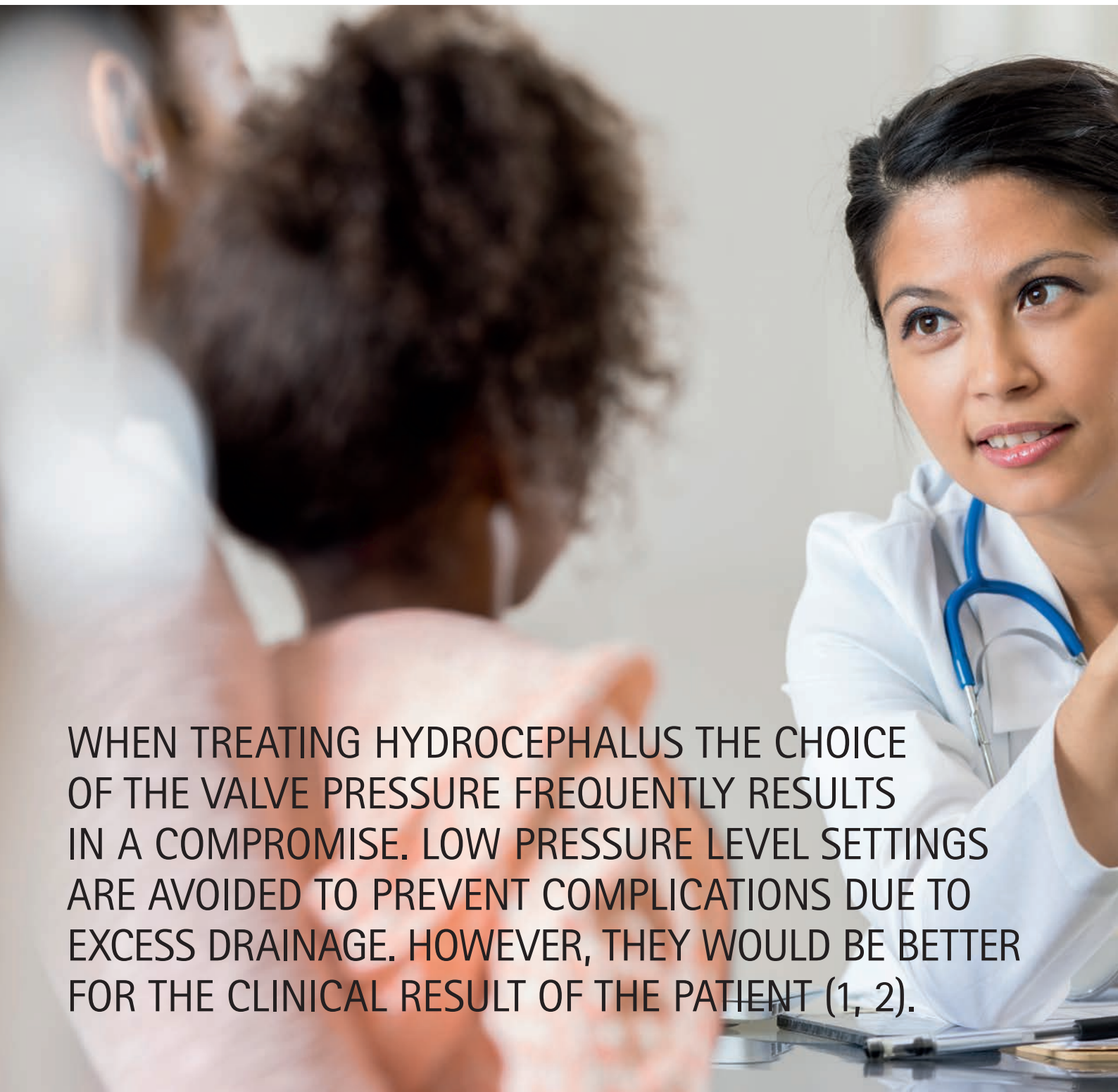
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***GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0***

GRAVITATIONAL VALVE FOR THE TREATMENT  
OF HYDROCEPHALUS



WHEN TREATING HYDROCEPHALUS THE CHOICE OF THE VALVE PRESSURE FREQUENTLY RESULTS IN A COMPROMISE. LOW PRESSURE LEVEL SETTINGS ARE AVOIDED TO PREVENT COMPLICATIONS DUE TO EXCESS DRAINAGE. HOWEVER, THEY WOULD BE BETTER FOR THE CLINICAL RESULT OF THE PATIENT (1, 2).



Conventional valve technology provides inadequate protection against overdrainage complications such as hygroma, hematoma or slit ventricles.

Excessive drainage induced by the hydrostatic suction of the vertical shunt system is considered to be one of the major causes of shunt dysfunction in the treatment of pediatric hydrocephalus (3).



Many HC-patients suffering from chronic headaches due to excessive drainage, frequently develop an irreversible slit ventricle syndrome (4, 5).

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## THE VALVE

### GRAVITATIONAL TECHNOLOGY

The combination of a differential pressure unit and gravitational unit ensures an automatic opening pressure adjustment as a function of the position of the patient's body and in that way counteracts complications due to excess drainage.



### DESIGN

The slender cylindrical design allows for quick and easy implantation in adults and in the treatment of pediatric hydrocephalus.



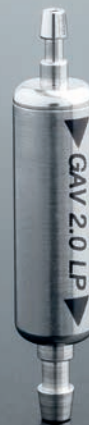
## TWO ADDITIONAL LP-VARIANTS

GAV® 2.0 is also suitable for lumbar drainage due to two special variants.

### TITANIUM

The valve material titanium assures high precision, durable reliability and biocompatibility. It prevents effectively external and subcutaneous pressure influences and is MRI compatible.

GAV® 2.0 LP

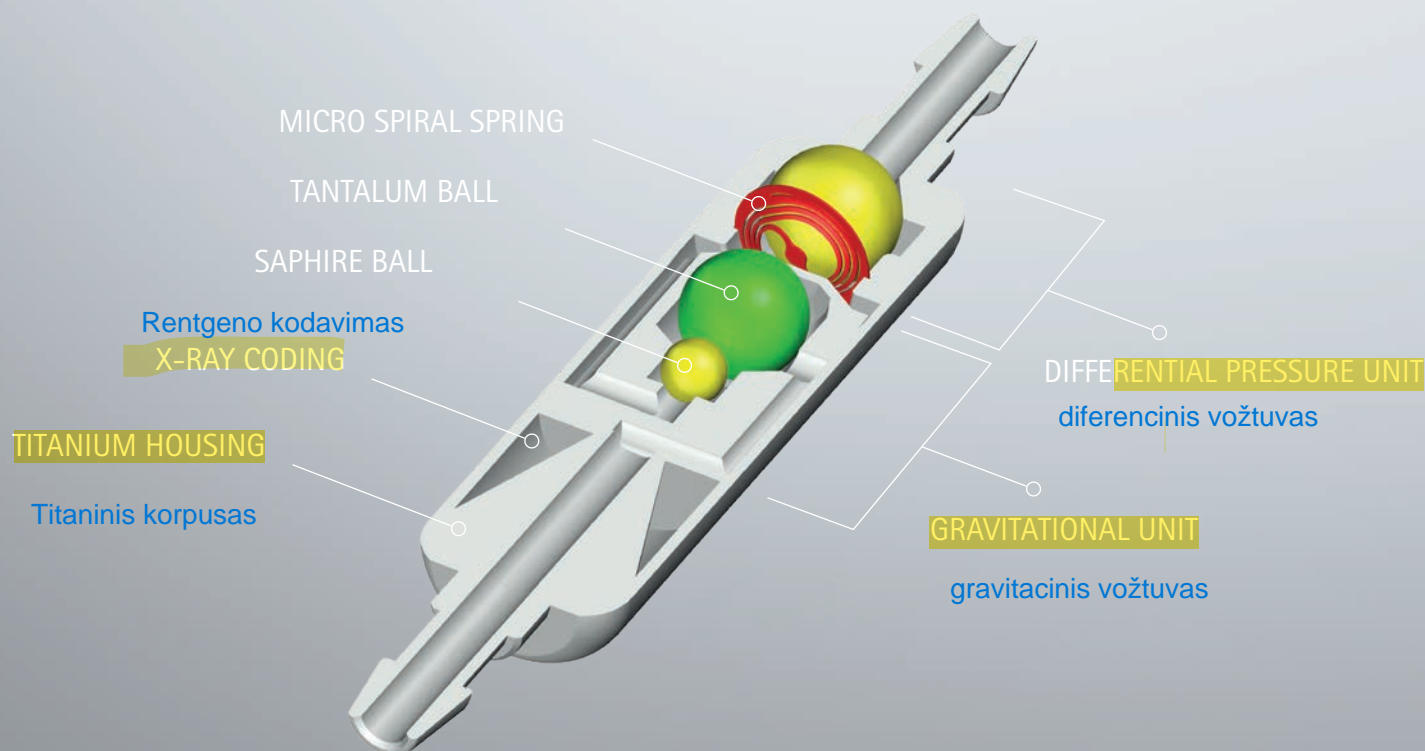


GAV® 2.0 LP WITH DEFLECTION



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## FUNCTIONALITY AND POSITION OF THE BODY



The functionality of the GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 is illustrated interactively in the Miethke App.



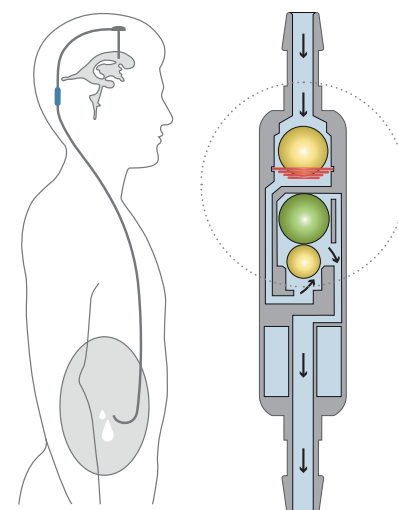
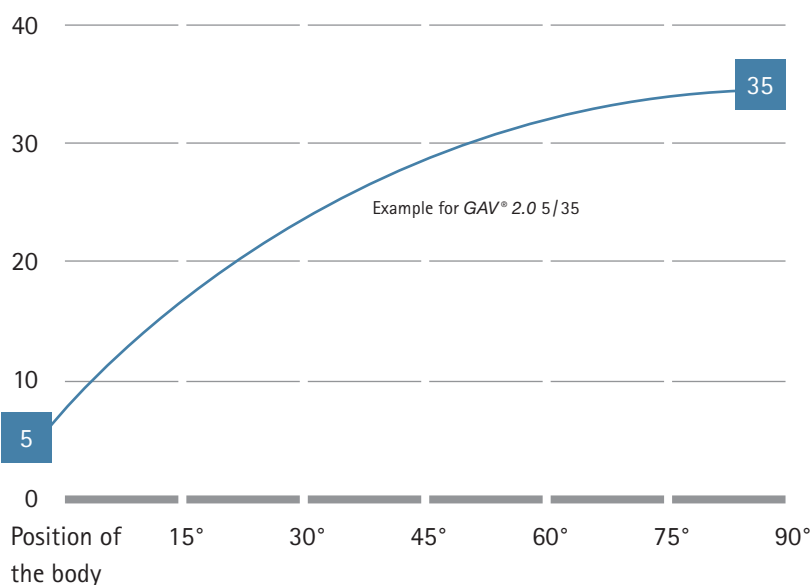
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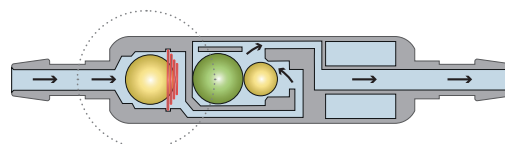
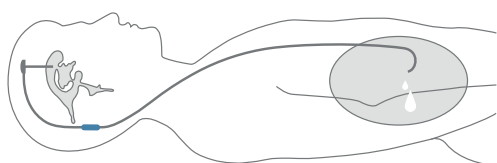
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Valve opening pressure  
(cmH<sub>2</sub>O)



Differential pressure unit  
& gravitational unit  
interact in the upright  
position



In the recumbent position, only the differential pressure unit is effective

## HORIZONTAL POSITION OF THE BODY

The valve opening pressure of GAV® 2.0 in the lying position is solely determined by the micro spiral spring of the differential pressure unit. The gravitational unit is not active in this body position and is always open. If the patient's intraventricular pressure (IVP) exceeds the opening pressure of the micro spiral spring, the closure ball moves out of the cone, opening a gap for drainage purposes.

For the example, a differential pressure unit of 5 cmH<sub>2</sub>O was selected.

## VERTICAL POSITION OF THE BODY

In the vertical position of the body, the gravitational and differential pressure units act in conjunction. When the patient stands up, the tantalum ball (green) in the gravitational unit is activated, causing gravity to increase the valve opening pressure. Now, the weight of the tantalum ball (opening pressure of the gravitational unit) must be overcome in addition to the opening pressure of the differential pressure unit. Only when the sum of intra-ventricular pressure (IVP) and hydrostatic pressure exceeds the opening pressure of both units, drainage can take place again. The opening pressure in the upright position of the patient is therefore computed from the sum of the differential pressure and gravitational pressure.

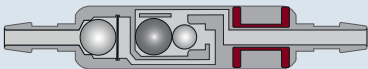

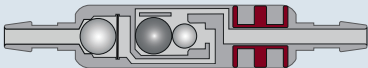

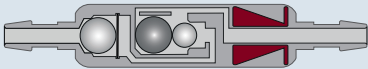

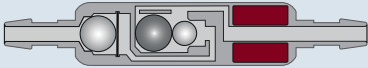

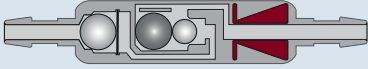

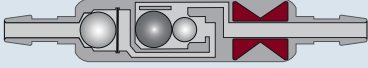

For the example, a gravitational unit having 30 cmH<sub>2</sub>O was selected. The total opening pressure in the upright position thus adds up to 35 cmH<sub>2</sub>O.

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## X-RAY RECOGNITION AND PRESSURE LEVEL RECOMMENDATION

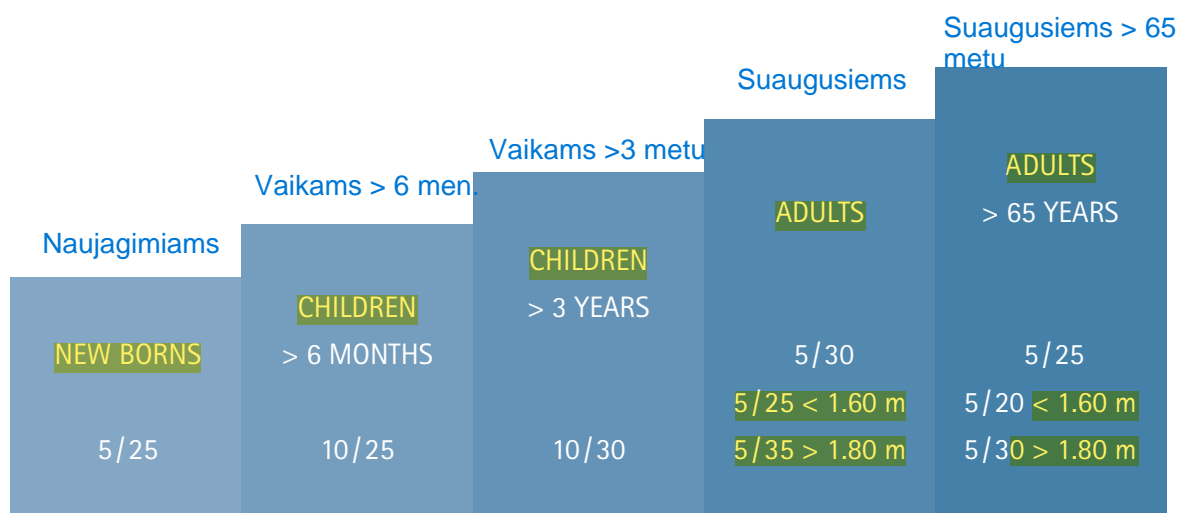
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### PRESSURE LEVEL VARIANTS

Lying	Upright	X-ray coding	Radiograph
5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O		
5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O		
5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O		
5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O		
10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O		
10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O		



## PRESSURE LEVEL RECOMMENDATION \*



\* Recommended pressure level in cmH<sub>2</sub>O.

This is a non-binding recommendation. The doctor will decide each case on an individual basis.

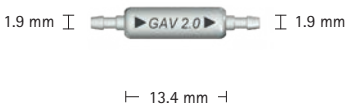
The choice of the appropriate pressure level of GAV® 2.0 depends on several other factors, including age, degree of activity, size and stature of the patient.

The values given apply to mobile patients. For patients with little mobility or a high BMI, the gravitational unit should be chosen lower than recommended here.

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## GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 VALVE

■ GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 Valve



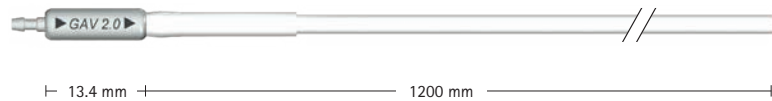
Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm  
Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm  
preferably used with  
Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX210T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX211T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX212T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX213T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX214T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX215T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

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## GAV® 2.0 VALVE WITH DISTAL CATHETER

- GAV® 2.0 Valve  
with distal catheter (1200 mm)



Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm  
 Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm  
 Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX216T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX217T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX218T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX219T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX220T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX221T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

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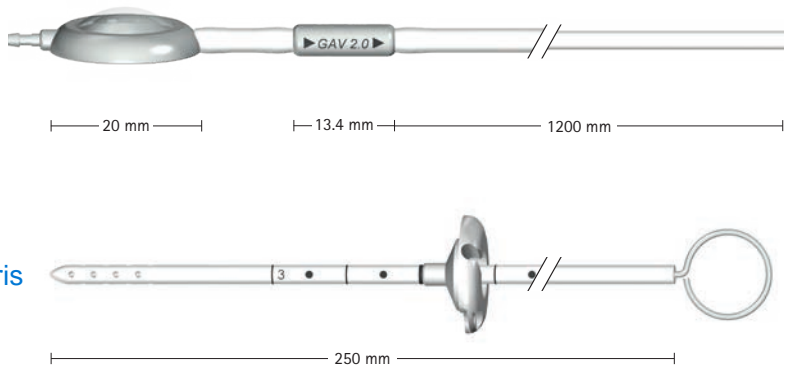
## GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM WITH CONTROL RESERVOIR

- GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 Valve with integrated **CONTROL RESERVOIR\*** and distal catheter (1200 mm) peritoninis kateteris

- Ventricular catheter with ventrikulinis kateteris pediatric deflector and introducing stylet (250 mm)

\* An additional valve in the base of the CONTROL RESERVOIR makes it possible to flush the fluid only in the distal direction. This feature allows for controlling the patency of the ventricular catheter and the distal drainage.

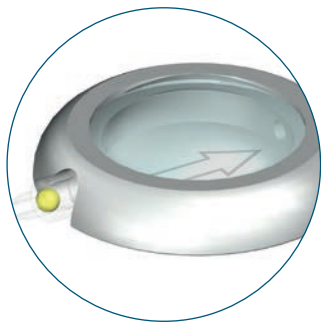
Valve: d<sub>o</sub> = 4.2 mm  
Connector: d<sub>o</sub> = 1.9 mm  
Catheter: d<sub>i</sub> = 1.2 mm, d<sub>o</sub> = 2.5 mm



### Pirkimo dalis 3

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX146T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX147T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX148T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX149T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX150T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX151T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

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CONTROL RESERVOIR\*

## GAV® 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM WITH PEDIATRIC CONTROL RESERVOIR

- GAV® 2.0 Valve with integrated pediatric **CONTROL RESERVOIR\*** and distal catheter (1200 mm)

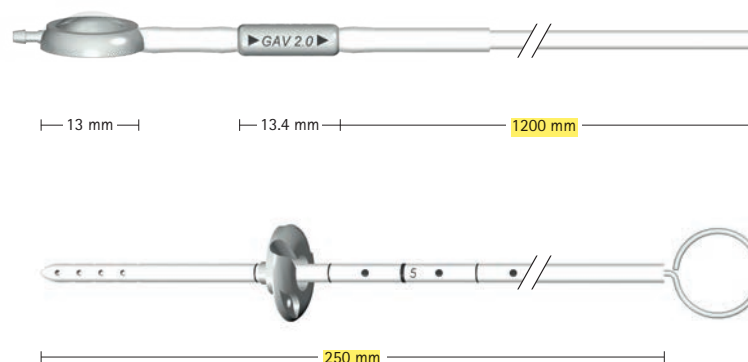
- Ventricular catheter with pediatric deflector and introducing stylet (250 mm)

\* An additional valve in the base of the pediatric **CONTROL RESERVOIR** makes it possible to flush the fluid only in the distal direction. This feature allows for controlling the patency of the ventricular catheter and the distal drainage.

Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm

Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm

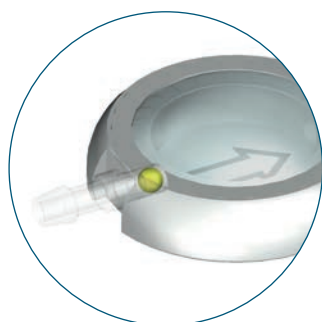
Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm



### Pirkimo dalis 2

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX152T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX153T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX154T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX155T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX156T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX157T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

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pediatric **CONTROL RESERVOIR\***



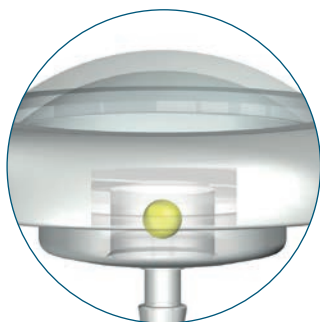
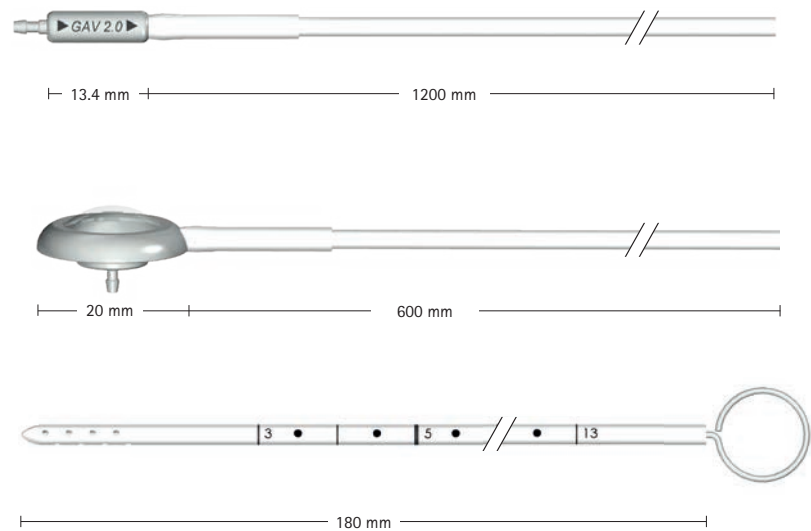
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## GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM WITH SPRUNG RESERVOIR

- GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 Valve  
with distal catheter (1200 mm)
- SPRUNG RESERVOIR\*  
with distal catheter (600 mm)
- Ventricular catheter with  
introducing stylet (180 mm)

\* An additional valve in the base of the SPRUNG RESERVOIR makes it possible to flush the fluid only in the distal direction. This feature allows for controlling the patency of the ventricular catheter and the distal drainage.

Valve:  $d_o = 4.2\text{ mm}$   
Connector:  $d_o = 1.9\text{ mm}$   
Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2\text{ mm}$ ,  $d_o = 2.5\text{ mm}$



SPRUNG RESERVOIR\*

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX270T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX271T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX272T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX273T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX274T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX275T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

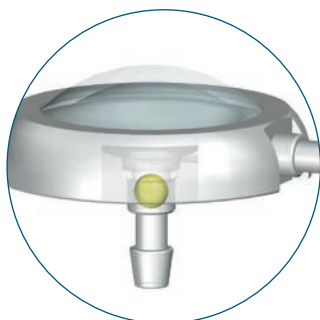
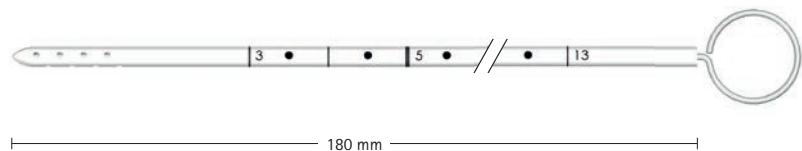
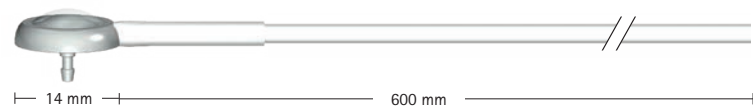
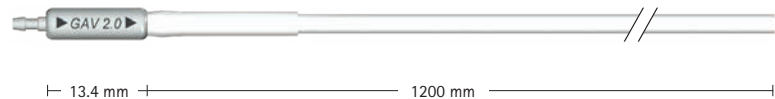
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## GAV® 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM WITH PEDIATRIC *SPRUNG RESERVOIR*

- GAV® 2.0 Valve  
with distal catheter (1200 mm)
- Pediatric *SPRUNG RESERVOIR*\*  
with distal catheter (600 mm)
- Ventricular catheter with  
introducing stylet (180 mm)

\* An additional valve in the base of the pediatric *SPRUNG RESERVOIR* makes it possible to flush the fluid only in the distal direction. This feature allows for controlling the patency of the ventricular catheter and the distal drainage.

Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm  
Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm  
Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm



pediatric *SPRUNG RESERVOIR*\*

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX276T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX277T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX278T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX279T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX280T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
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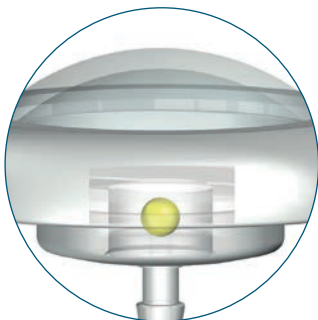
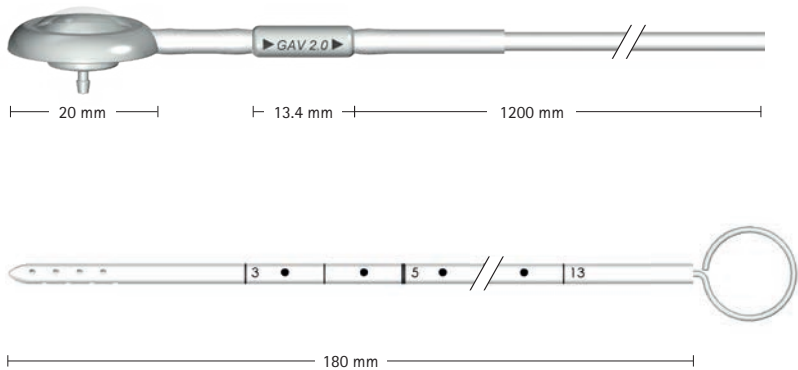
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## GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM WITH *SPRUNG RESERVOIR*

- GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 Valve with integrated *SPRUNG RESERVOIR*\* and distal catheter (1200 mm)
- Ventricular catheter with introducing stylet (180 mm)

\* An additional valve in the base of the *SPRUNG RESERVOIR* makes it possible to flush the fluid only in the distal direction. This feature allows for controlling the patency of the ventricular catheter and the distal drainage.

Valve: d<sub>o</sub> = 4.2 mm  
Connector: d<sub>o</sub> = 1.9 mm  
Catheter: d<sub>i</sub> = 1.2 mm, d<sub>o</sub> = 2.5 mm



*SPRUNG RESERVOIR*\*

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX170T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX171T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX172T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX173T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
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FX175T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

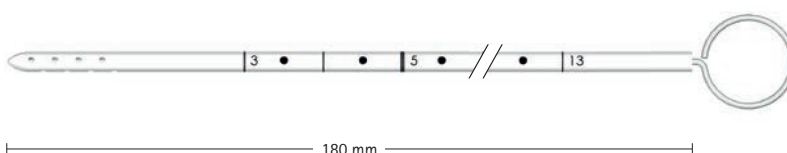
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## GAV® 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM WITH PEDIATRIC SPRUNG RESERVOIR

- GAV® 2.0 Valve with integrated pediatric *SPRUNG RESERVOIR*\* and distal catheter (1200 mm)



- Ventricular catheter with introducing stylet (180 mm)

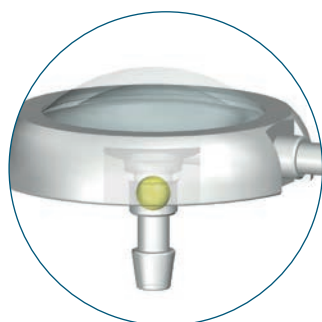


\* An additional valve in the base of the pediatric *SPRUNG RESERVOIR* makes it possible to flush the fluid only in the distal direction. This feature allows for controlling the patency of the ventricular catheter and the distal drainage.

Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm

Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm

Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm



pediatric *SPRUNG RESERVOIR*\*

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX176T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX177T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX178T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX179T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX180T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
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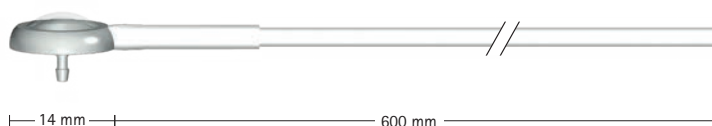
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## GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM WITH PEDIATRIC BURRHOLE RESERVOIR

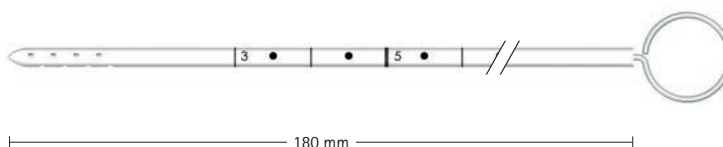
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with distal catheter (1200 mm)



- Pediatric burrhole reservoir  
with distal catheter (600 mm)



- Ventricular catheter with  
introducing stylet (180 mm)



Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm  
Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm  
Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm

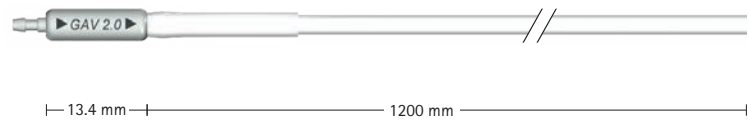
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FX267T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX268T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
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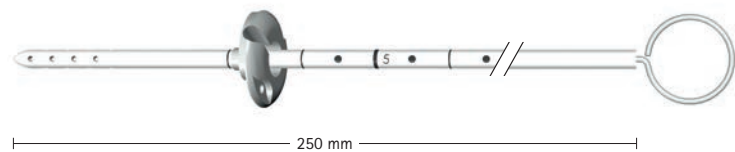


## GAV® 2.0 SHUNT SYSTEM

- GAV® 2.0 Valve  
with distal catheter (1200 mm)



- Ventricular catheter with  
pediatric deflector and  
introducing stylet (250 mm)



Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm  
Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm  
Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX204T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX205T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX206T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX207T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX208T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX209T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

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# GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 LP

## GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 LP, STRAIGHT

- GAV<sup>®</sup> 2.0 LP Valve (straight)  
with distal catheter (1200 mm)



Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm  
Connector:  $d_o = 1.4$  mm  
for connection with lumbar catheter  
Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm  
Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX222T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX223T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX224T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX225T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX226T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX227T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

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## GAV® 2.0 LP, U-FORM

- GAV® 2.0 LP Valve (U-Form)  
with distal catheter (1200 mm)



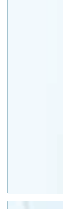



Valve:  $d_o = 4.2$  mm  
 Connector:  $d_o = 1.4$  mm  
 for connection with lumbar catheter  
 Connector:  $d_o = 1.9$  mm  
 Catheter:  $d_i = 1.2$  mm,  $d_o = 2.5$  mm

Art. No.	Lying	Upright
FX228T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	20 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX229T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX230T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX231T	5 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	35 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX232T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	25 cmH <sub>2</sub> O
FX233T	10 cmH <sub>2</sub> O	30 cmH <sub>2</sub> O

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proSA®	proGAV® 2.0	GAV® 2.0	SHUNT- ASSISTANT® 2.0	DUALSWITCH Valve	miniNAV®	Accessories
						

Description				
Adjustable gravitational unit with differential pressure valve	Adjustable differential pressure valve with gravitational unit	Gravitational valve for the treatment of hydrocephalus	Gravitational unit for integration into shunt systems in order to avoid excess drainage	Gravitational valve with large flow volumes for CSF
				Differential pressure valve, specifically for premature babies and newborns or bedridden or non-mobile patients

Indication						
LP			✓	✓	✓	
NPH	✓		✓	✓	✓	
Pediatric HC	✓	✓	✓	✓		✓
Adult HC	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓

Patient									
Lying		✓		✓					✓
Active		✓		✓		✓	✓	✓	*

Feature					
3-Tesla MR	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Conditional					✓
Gravitational unit	✓	✓	✓	✓	
Adjustable	✓			✓	

\* in combination with SHUNTASSISTANT® 2.0 or proSA®



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