

# CentrosFLO<sup>®</sup>

LONG-TERM HEMODIALYSIS CATHETER



**MERTMEDICAL<sup>®</sup>**

Optimizing Catheter Patency

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## centered on performance

The high performance CentrosFLO® long-term hemodialysis catheter from Merit Medical was designed with performance, safety, and ease of use in mind. The new **SELF-CENTERING**, curved-tip catheter has a greater separation between the arterial and venous tips. Its design is intended to optimize **CATHETER PATENCY**, and reduce fibrin sheath formation, thrombosis and vessel wall occlusions by keeping the tips of the catheter centered in the vessel and away from the vessel wall. Fibrin sheaths are a frequent cause of catheter malfunction and in a study of removed or exchanged hemodialysis catheters, 76% had fibrin sheaths.<sup>1, 2, 3</sup> The CentrosFLO was designed for **PERFORMANCE, SAFETY AND EASE OF USE**.

## performance

### Preshaped Curved Tips

stabilize and center the catheter in the junction of the Superior Vena Cava (SVC) and Right Atrium (RA).

### Distal Venous and Arterial Side Holes

reduce intraluminal pressure and the likelihood of the catheter tips sucking up against the vessel wall.

### Large Internal Lumen

allows for a flow rate of 450 mL/min.

Tunneler with Sleeve



Peelaway Sheath and Dilator

## > safety

**Atraumatic Catheter Tip Design**  
minimizes puncture or irritation of vessel walls.

**Non-Traumatic Tunneler**  
for more rapid loading of the catheter without risk to catheter tips.

**Multiple Catheter Length Configurations**  
accommodate variations in patient anatomy.

## > ease of use

**Unique Guide Wire Slit**  
supports over-the-wire insertion technique.

**Carbothane® Material**  
provides ease of insertion and maintenance.

**Peelaway Sheath and Dilator**  
insertion for initial placement.



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## > study results<sup>4</sup>

The highly innovative CentrosFLO design features preshaped tips which automatically center the catheter in the middle of the vessel.

A 1998 porcine model study found that vessel injury and fibrin sheath formation can be prevented by a centered [stabilized] catheter tip in the vasculature.

CENTERED CATHETERS were found to be completely free in the vessel with no gross evidence of vessel injury.

NON-CENTERED CATHETERS, control catheter tips were embedded in a lesion and covered with fibrotic tissue.

“Vessel injury, and resulting thrombosis, can be prevented by a catheter modification that stabilizes the tip. Such a catheter may significantly reduce catheter malfunction and morbidity associated with these devices.”



## ordering information



### complete kit

- 1 15F CentrosFLO Long-Term Hemodialysis Catheter
- 1 16F Peelaway Sheath And Dilator
- 1 18G X 2.75" (7 cm) Introducer Needle
- 1 #11 Safety Scalpel
- 1 0.038" X 80 cm J-Tipped Guide Wire
- 2 Adhesive Dressing
- 2 Injection Caps
- 1 12F Vessel Dilator
- 1 14F Vessel Dilator
- 1 Tunneler With Sleeve

Complete Kit Quantity Requested

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### catheter only

- 1 15F CentrosFLO Long-Term Hemodialysis Catheter
- 2 Injection Caps

All Products Packaged 5 Per Box.

Catheter Only Quantity Requested

product code	tip-to-cuff cm	tip-to-hub cm	
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**To find out more about the CentrosFLO, call Customer Service at 1-800-35-MERIT.**

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