# **BULK TUBING**

nstech offers a range of bulk tubing for laboratory animal infusion and microdialysis, including polyethylene, polyurethane, silicone, co-extruded PE/PVC and FEP tubing. Most tubing now comes on convenient spools of 30m (98ft).

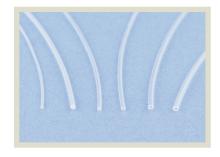


### TUBING MATERIAL COMPARISON

	Silicone	Polyurethane	Polyethylene	Polyvinyl-chloride
Hemocompatibility	Excellent	Excellent	Fair	Fair
Compound Compatibility	Possible reactivity	Possible reactivity	Inert	Possible reactivity
Stiffness	Soft	Soft	Stiff	Soft or stiff
Ease of Insertion	Difficult	Moderately easy	Easy	Moderately easy
Sizes Available	Many	Many	Many	Few
Ease of Bonding	Excellent	Fair	Poor	Fair
Memory	Excellent	Poor	Poor	Poor
Tear Strength	Poor	Excellent	Excellent	Excellent
Air Permeability	High	Moderate	Low	Low
Sterilization	EtO or steam	Et0	Et0	Et0

Tubing IDs and ODs typically vary by ±.002in (.05mm) from the nominal specs noted here. When dead volume is critical measure it directly by comparing the weights of filled and empty segments.

# Polyethylene Tubing



Instech's PE tubing solves one of the biggest problems with PE: the price. The low density formulation is comparable to the product offered by the large catalog suppliers. To avoid kinking, consider coextruded PE/PVC (p 45).

Part No.	Compare	Fits	OD		ID		1mm
BTPE-10	PE-10		.024in	.60mm	.011in	.28mm	0
BTPE-20	PE-20		.043	1.09	.015	.38	0
BTPE-25		25ga	.036	.91	.018	.46	0
BTPE-50	PE-50	22ga	.038	.97	.023	.58	0
BTPE-60	PE-60	20ga	.048	1.22	.030	.76	0
BTPE-90	PE-90		.050	1.27	.034	.86	0
Spool of 30m (98ft), non-sterile. Do not autoclave.							
(\$) www.instechlabs.com/Infusion/tubing/polyethylene.php							

# Polyurethane Intravascular Tubing



This is the most commonly used formulation of polyurethane for laboratory animal research. It is the same tubing we use to make our finished catheters. The two sizes have been specifically extruded to have ideal fits with PinPorts and Vascular Access Harnesses and Buttons: 2Fr fits 25ga, 3Fr fits 22ga.

Part No.	Size	Fits	OD		ID		1mm 
BTPU-027	2Fr	25ga	.027in	.7mm	.017in	.4mm	0
BTPU-040	3Fr	22ga	.040	1.0	.025	.6	0
Spool of 30m (98	ft), non-sterile	Do not autoc	lave.				
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### Silicone (Silastic®) Intravascular Tubing

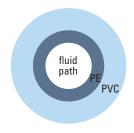


This tubing, made from Dow Corning Silastic®, is the same platinumcure material that has been implanted in laboratory animals for years. Sterilize by EtO gas or steam/autoclave.

Part No.	Size	OD		ID		1mm	
BTSIL-025	2 Fr	.025in	.64mm	.012in	.31mm	0	
BTSIL-037	3 Fr	.037	.94	.020	.51	0	
BTSIL-047	3.5 Fr	.047	1.2	.025	.64	0	
BTSIL-065	5 Fr	.065	1.7	.030	.76	0	
BTSIL-085	7 Fr	.085	2.2	.040	1.0	0	
Spool of 15m (50ft), no	on-sterile.						
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### Co-extruded PE/PVC Tubing





This tubing is co-extruded with polyethylene on the inside for compound compatibility and PVC on the outside to resist kinking and prevent evaporation.

It is designed for external infusion set connections and is not for intravascular use. Critical joints should be glued to prevent accidental disconnection as this type of tubing can take a set around the stainless steel tube.

It is available in two sizes to mate with 22ga or 25ga swivels, PinPorts, couplers and luer stubs. A version with black PVC is available for protection of light sensitive compounds.

Part No.	Fits	Color	OD		ID		1mm
BTC0EX-25	25ga	Clear	.051in	1.3mm	.017in	.4mm	0
BTC0EX-22	22ga	Clear	.064	1.6	.024	.6	0
BTC0EX-22B	22ga	Black	.072	1.8	.024	.6	0
Spool of 30m (98ft), except black which is spool of 15m (49ft), non-sterile.							
(§) www.instechlabs.com/Infusion/tubing/coex.php							

### Polyurethane External Infusion Tubing



This PU tubing is designed for a reliable friction fit with 22 or 25 gauge swivels and couplers. The elasticity and thick wall minimizes the chance of accidental disconnection, kinking or

perforation. Used in VAH and VAB tethers. The 22ga version is available with a white stripe to differentiate dual channel connections. Not intended for intravascular use.

Part No.	Fits	Stripe	OD		ID		1mm
VAHBPU-T25	25ga	none	.037in	.9mm	.017in	.4mm	0
VAHBPU-T22	22ga	none	.055	1.4	.024	.6	0
VAHBPU-T22W	22ga	white	.055	1.4	.024	.6	0
Spool of 30m (98ft), no	Spool of 30m (98ft), non-sterile.						
(§) www.instechlabs.com/Infusion/tubing/pu.php							

### FEP Microdialysis Tubing



Designed to connect microdialysis probes to swivels, pumps and fraction collectors, this custom-extruded FEP tubing has the same inner and outer diameters as our 22ga quartz-lined swivels: 0.006x0.028in (0.15x0.71mm). Internal volume is approximately 0.18µL/cm. Use MC015/10 tubing connectors.

Part No.	Description	1mm	Unit
BFEP-T22Q	FEP tubing, .006x.028in, 1m lengths, sterile	•	pkg of 10
(\$) www.inste	chlabs.com/Infusion/tubing/fep.php		

# Microdialysis Tubing Connectors



These silicone tubing segments are sized to connect FEP microdialysis tubing to swivels, probes, and syringes with no added dead volume. They do not need to be swelled by soaking in alcohol prior to installation, as do traditional "blue widgets," which in turn eliminates the possibility of damage to the swivel when removing tubing.

Part No.	Description	Unit
MC015/10	Microdialysis tubing connector, .015inIDx10mm	pkg of 100
\$ www.instec	hlabs.com/Infusion/tubing/mc.php	

# TUBING CONNECTORS

uer stubs, couplers, plugs, and injection ports are used to connect and allow access to the various pieces of an infusion system. Instech supplies these components individually or as part of pre-assembled infusion kits.

For gauge dimensions see Tubing Size Reference Chart at the end of this catalog.

### Luer Stubs (Blunt Needles)



Female luer stubs have blunt tips to connect infusion tubing or catheters to syringes or other male luer connectors. They can be EtO sterilized on request.

			Part Num	bers
Size	Color	Tube Length	100 pcs	1000 pcs
14ga	dark green	0.5in (13mm)	LS14	LS14K
15ga	amber	0.5in (13mm)	LS15	LS15K
16ga	violet	0.5in (13mm)	LS16	LS16K
17ga	white	0.5in (13mm)	LS17	LS17K
18ga	green	0.5in (13mm)	LS18	LS18K
20ga	pink	0.5in (13mm)	LS20	LS20K
21ga	purple	0.5in (13mm)	LS21	LS21K
22ga	blue	0.5in (13mm)	LS22	LS22K
22ga	blue	0.25in (6mm)	LS22/6	LS22/6K
23ga	orange	0.5in (13mm)	LS23	LS23K
25ga	red	0.5in (13mm)	LS25	LS25K
27ga	gray	0.5in (13mm)	LS27	LS27K
Provided i	n a single tube, no	n-sterile.		
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## The PinPort<sup>TM</sup> for Externalized Rodent Catheters NEW

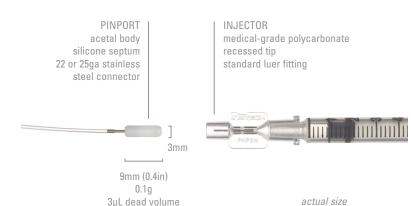


The PinPort™ provides fast, aseptic access to externalized catheters for dosing or blood sampling. It can reduce study costs and improve compliance with the 3Rs. The system consists of a lightweight port and a mating injector which can access the port hundreds of times.

Quick. Infuse or withdraw from a catheter in a fraction of the time it takes with plugs and blunt needles.

Clean. The PinPort is a closed system that permits aseptic technique. This can reduce infection, improve patency and ultimately reduce the number of animals required for a study.

Safe. The injector is recessed and provides complete needle stick protection for personnel.



The PinPort<sup>TM</sup> is available in white or red and with 22ga or 25ga couplers. Use colors to distinguish vessels. One injector works with all PinPort varieties.



Both the ports and the injectors are available separately in boxes of 50 or 250, packaged 5 to a sterile pouch. Ports and injectors are also available as a set, packaged one set per pouch, 20 pouches per box. All parts are provided EtO sterilized.

#### **PinPorts**



#### **PinPort Injectors**



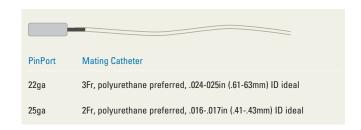
Use only Instech PNP3M injectors to access PinPorts. Any other type of needle will damage the PinPort septum

#### PinPort and Injector Sets



#### **Compatible Catheters**

Instech provides a range of rat and mouse catheters that have been extruded for a perfect fit with 22 and 25ga PinPorts. Access smaller anatomy, such as the mouse carotid artery or rat intrathecal space, with tapered or two-piece catheters.



(\$) www.instechlabs.com/Infusion/tubing/pinport.php



PinPorts are not designed for continuous tethered access with a swivel; for that application use Vascular Access Harnesses (p 31) or Buttons (p 36).

# Low Volume Port for Luers NEW



This miniature injection port fits into standard female luer hubs, converting a luer into a PinPort and reducing the dead volume significantly. Access the LVP3F manually with a PinPort injector, or use the LVP3F-PNP3M/25 set for continuous connection to tubing that fits

25ga, such as BTCOEX-25, VAHBPU-T25, or BSIL-T015. (The peripheral IV catheter shown is not included.)

Part No.	Description	Unit
LVP3F	Low-volume luer injection port	ea
LVP3F- PNP3M/25	LV luer inj. port w/ mating 25ga connector	ea
(\$) www.instechlabs.	com/Infusion/tubing/lowvolumeluerport.php	

# TUBING CONNECTORS

### Couplers & Plugs



Use couplers to connect catheters to external infusion tubing. Use a plug to seal off an externalized catheter before an infusion experiment begins.

These are made of medical grade stainless steel and deburred to prevent damage to tubing. Can be sterilized on request.

Part No.	Type	Size	Length	Unit		
SC17/15	Coupler	17ga	15mm	pkg of 100		
SC20/15	Coupler	20ga	15mm	pkg of 100		
SC22/15	Coupler	22ga	15mm	pkg of 100		
SC22/8	Coupler	22ga	8mm	pkg of 100		
SC23/8	Coupler	23ga	8mm	pkg of 100		
SC25/10	Coupler	25ga	10mm	pkg of 100		
SC27/8	Coupler	27ga	8mm	pkg of 100		
SP20/12	Plug	20ga	12mm	pkg of 100		
SP22/12	Plug	22ga	12mm	pkg of 100		
SP23/12	Plug	23ga	12mm	pkg of 100		
SP25/12	Plug	25ga	12mm	pkg of 100		
100 pieces per	package, non-sterile					
(\$) www.ins	S www.instechlabs.com/Infusion/tubing/connectors.php					

### Pin Plug



These catheter plugs are made of a 22 gauge-12mm medical grade stainless steel plug with a polyethylene handle molded on one end to simplify insertion and removal from catheters.

The pin handle, 3mm diameter x 6mm long, is also designed to fit into the stalk of a DC95 button and thereby seal it when the catheter is

not externalized. A raised ring in the middle of the handle prevents the pin plug from advancing too far into the button stalk. Note these are different from PinPorts which have a septum to allow access to the catheter without removal.

Part No.	Description	Unit		
SPP22/12	Stainless steel pin plugs, 22ga x 12mm	pkg of 100		
Sterile, in 5 pouc	hes of 20 pieces each.			
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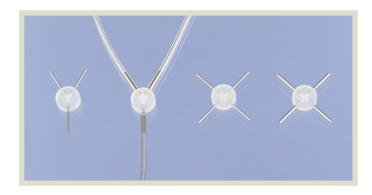
### Right Angle Coupler



These 22ga couplers are bent to a right angle; one side is approximately 11mm; the other 5mm. Provided with a sealed segment of tubing to close off one end.

Part No.	Description	Unit
SC22/15RA	Right angle couplers, 22ga, sterile	ea
Individually packa	ged and sterilized by EtO. Minimum order quantity is 5 pieces.	
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### 3-Way and 4-Way Connectors



Commonly used in glucose clamp studies, Instech's 3- and 4way tubing connectors feature stainless steel tubes and a hub made of PCTFE, a chemically resistant plastic. Tubes extend approximately 6mm from the hub. Dead volume from one channel to the next is less than 3µl.

Part No.	Туре	Tubing Size	Unit		
SCY22	3-way	22ga	ea		
SCY25	3-way	25ga	ea		
SCX22 NEW	4-way	22ga	ea		
SCX25 NEW	4-way	25ga	ea		
Individually package	d and EtO sterilized				
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# TUBING REFERENCE CHART

# GAUGE

For swivels, needles, connectors, ports and cannulae

Gauge	OD (in)	OD (mm)	ID (in)	ID (mm)	Volume (µl/cm)
13TW	0.095	2.41	0.077	1.96	30.0
13	0.095	2.41	0.071	1.80	25.5
14TW	0.083	2.11	0.067	1.70	22.8
14	0.083	2.11	0.063	1.60	20.1
15TW	0.072	1.83	0.061	1.55	18.9
15	0.072	1.83	0.054	1.37	14.8
16TW	0.065	1.65	0.054	1.37	14.8
16	0.065	1.65	0.047	1.19	11.1
17TW	0.058	1.47	0.048	1.22	11.7
17	0.058	1.47	0.042	1.07	8.99
18TW	0.050	1.27	0.039	0.99	7.70
18	0.050	1.27	0.033	0.84	5.54
19TW	0.042	1.07	0.033	0.84	5.54
19	0.042	1.07	0.027	0.69	3.74
20TW	0.036	0.91	0.026	0.66	3.42
20	0.036	0.91	0.024	0.61	2.92
21TW	0.032	0.81	0.023	0.58	2.64
21	0.032	0.81	0.020	0.51	2.04
22TW	0.028	0.71	0.020	0.51	2.04
22	0.028	0.71	0.016	0.41	1.32
220	0.028	0.71	0.006	0.15	0.18
23TW	0.025	0.64	0.017	0.43	1.45
23	0.025	0.64	0.013	0.33	0.86
24TW	0.022	0.56	0.015	0.38	1.13
24	0.022	0.56	0.012	0.30	0.71
25TW	0.020	0.51	0.012	0.30	0.71
25	0.020	0.51	0.010	0.25	0.49
26	0.018	0.46	0.010	0.25	0.49
27	0.016	0.41	0.008	0.20	0.31
28	0.014	0.36	0.007	0.18	0.25
29	0.013	0.33	0.007	0.18	0.25
30	0.012	0.30	0.006	0.15	0.18
31	0.010	0.26	0.005	0.13	0.12
32	0.009	0.24	0.004	0.10	0.08

TW=thin wall, Q=quartz-lined swivel channel

# FRENCH

French scale defines catheter OD (3Fr = 1mm)

French	OD (in)	OD (mm)
1Fr	0.013	0.33
2Fr	0.026	0.67
3Fr	0.039	1.00
4Fr	0.053	1.33
5Fr	0.066	1.67
6Fr	0.079	2.00
7Fr	0.092	2.33
8Fr	0.105	2.67
9Fr	0.118	3.00
10Fr	0.131	3.33

# POLYURETHANE (PU)

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	OD (in)	OD (mm)	ID (in)	ID (mm)	Volume (µl/cm)
BTPU-027 (2Fr)	0.027	0.69	0.017	0.43	1.5
BTPU-040 (3Fr)	0.040	1.01	0.025	0.64	3.2
VAHBPU-T25	0.037	0.94	0.017	0.43	1.5
VAHBPU-T22	0.055	1.40	0.024	0.61	2.9

# SILICONE (SIL)

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	OD (in)	OD (mm)	ID (in)	ID (mm)	Volume (µl/cm)
BTSIL-025 (2Fr)	0.025	0.64	0.012	0.30	0.7
BTSIL-037 (3Fr)	0.037	0.94	0.020	0.51	2.0
BTSIL-047 (3.5Fr)	0.047	1.19	0.025	0.64	3.2
BTSIL-065 (5Fr)	0.065	1.65	0.030	0.76	4.5
BTSIL-085 (7Fr)	0.085	2.16	0.040	1.02	8.2

# POLYETHYLENE (PE)

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	OD (in)	OD (mm)	ID (in)	ID (mm)	Volume (µl/cm)
BTPE-10	0.024	0.61	0.011	0.28	0.6
BTPE-20	0.043	1.09	0.015	0.38	1.1
BTPE-25	0.036	0.91	0.018	0.46	1.7
BTPE-50	0.038	0.97	0.023	0.58	2.6
BTPE-60	0.048	1.22	0.030	0.76	4.5
BTPE-90	0.050	1.27	0.034	0.86	5.8

# CO-EXTRUDED PE/PVC

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	OD (in)	OD (mm)	ID (in)	ID (mm)	Volume (µl/cm)
BTC0EX-25	0.051	1.30	0.017	0.43	1.5
BTC0EX-22	0.064	1.60	0.024	0.61	2.9

FEP

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	OD (in)	OD (mm)	ID (in)	ID (mm)	Volume (µl/cm)	
BFEP-T22Q	0.028	0.71	0.006	0.15	0.18	

Values are approximate; in particular IDs and ODs of extruded tubing typically vary by ±.002in (.05mm) from nominal values. If dead volume is critical measure it directly by comparing weights of filled and empty samples.