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## The Venner PneuX™ System

- a major development in the prevention of Ventilator-Associated Pneumonia (VAP)

# Aspiration - Why take the risk?

The **Venner PneuX™** System has the ONLY endotracheal tube (ETT) to consistently prevent ANY aspiration past the cuff when directly compared to other ETTs.<sup>1</sup>

The **Venner PneuX™** System has been recognised as providing an evidence-based solution to minimising VAP!

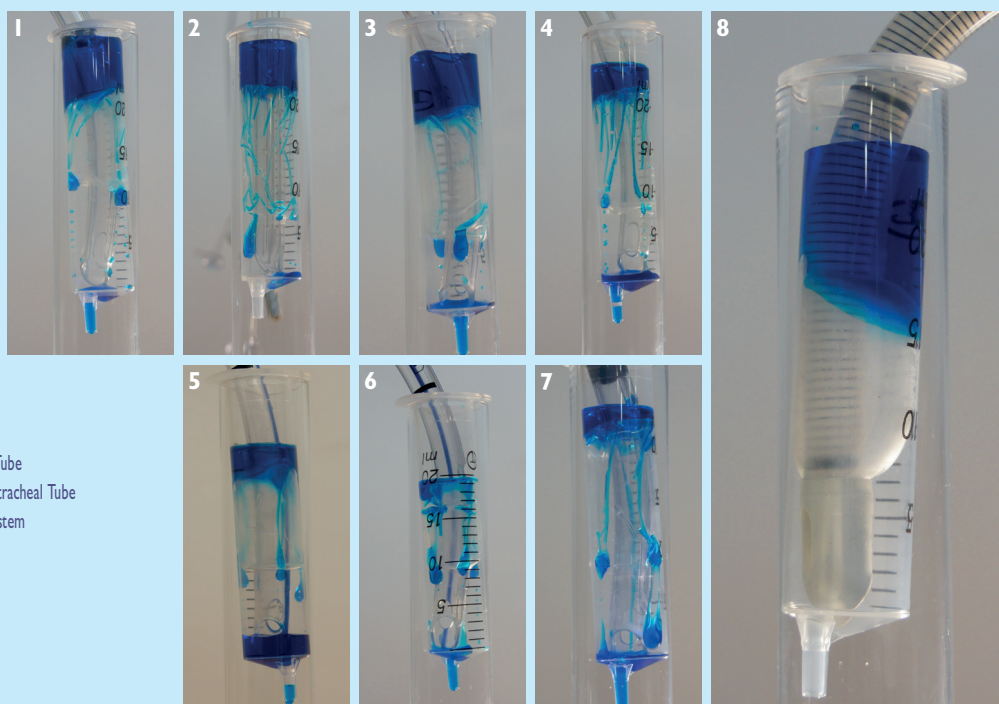


### Leakage of ETTs after 1 hour of placing in the 'model trachea'

Each cuff was inflated to the correct pressure according to the manufacturer's instructions using a hand-held manometer. If continuous cuff pressure monitors were recommended, these were used to maintain cuff inflation during experiments.

1. Mallinckrodt™ TaperGuard™ Evac Oral Endotracheal Tube
2. KimVent™ MICROCUFF™ Subglottic Suctioning Endotracheal Tube
3. Mallinckrodt™ Hi-Lo Oral Endotracheal Tube, Lanz System
4. Mallinckrodt™ SealGuard™ Evac Endotracheal Tube
5. Portex Soft Seal® Cuff Tracheal Tube
6. Portex SACETT™ Suction Above ET Cuff
7. Teleflex ISIS® HVT™
8. Venner PneuX™ ETT

*Photographs taken as part of the Mariyaselvam et al study<sup>(1)</sup>*



The Qualitech Healthcare Team would like to take the opportunity to present the **Venner PneuX™** System to the Critical Care Team.

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## Multifactorial approach to the prevention of VAP



## VAP - the most common nosocomial infection in critically ill patients<sup>2</sup>

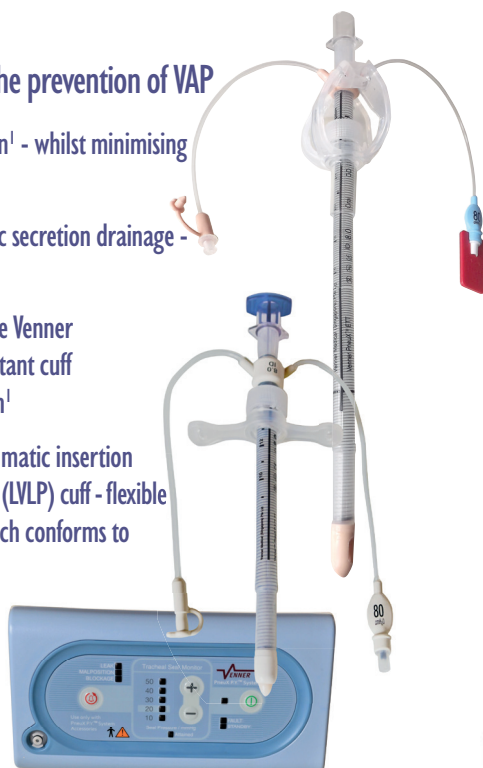
- Up to 20% of patients receiving >48 hours of mechanical ventilation will develop VAP<sup>2</sup>
- Patients with VAP have significantly longer intensive care unit lengths of stay<sup>2</sup> (average of 6.1 days)
- The incidence of VAP increases with the duration of mechanical ventilation. VAP causes longer ICU and hospital stay, higher mortality, and higher hospital costs (up to \$40,000/case (approximately £24,000))<sup>3</sup>
- Critically ill patients with VAP are twice as likely to die compared to similar patients without VAP<sup>2</sup>
- Tubes with single subglottic drainage ports frequently fail (48% incidence)<sup>4</sup>, and this failure is associated with an increased incidence of VAP<sup>5</sup>.

Hourly Subglottic Secretion Drainage (SSD) can reduce the incidence of VAP by up to 64%<sup>6</sup>.

	Control group	SSD group	p-value
VAP	22.1%	7.9%	0.001

### The Venner PneuX™ System Multifactorial approach to the prevention of VAP

- Prevents pulmonary aspiration<sup>1</sup> - whilst minimising the risk of mucosal injury
- Permits intermittent subglottic secretion drainage - three subglottic ports
- Protects the tracheal wall - the Venner PneuX TSM™ maintains a constant cuff pressure preventing aspiration<sup>1</sup>
- Specifically designed for atraumatic insertion with low-volume, low-pressure (LVLP) cuff - flexible silicone/wire construction which conforms to the airway



### Features of the Venner PneuX™ System

Partnered with the Venner PneuX TSM™ designed exclusively for use with the Venner PneuX™ ETT and the Venner PneuX™ TT maintains a constant cuff pressure, minimising bacterial leakage<sup>7</sup> and preventing aspiration<sup>1</sup>.

A LVLP cuff with no folds, designed such that the tracheal wall pressure is kept at a continuous 30cm H<sub>2</sub>O pressure, preventing aspiration<sup>8</sup> whilst minimising the risk of mucosal injury associated with high-pressure cuffs<sup>18</sup>.

Pulmonary aspiration can be prevented by using a low-volume, low-pressure (LVLP) tracheal tube cuff<sup>9</sup>. 89% of patients have been shown to aspirate stomach contents<sup>19,10</sup>.

Protects the tracheal wall and prevents aspiration<sup>1</sup>.

Three subglottic ports remove secretions intermittently from the subglottic space.

A 'boat tip' that minimises forces when intubation is performed in combination with a bougie, exchanger, fiberoptic bronchoscope or stylet and which is designed to lie straight and not push forwards into the tracheal wall<sup>11</sup>.

Flexible silicone/wire construction conforms to the airway, yet with strength against kinking.

Medical grade non-stick lining - inhibits the adhesion of biological materials. Bronchoscopes and suction catheters can normally pass without need for additional lubrication, thereby reducing the forces on the delicate laryngeal structures<sup>12</sup>.

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