



Electrophysiology Market Discovery Brief

ONE MINUTE PITCH:

Molex has extensive experience collaborating with market-leading manufacturers of electronic catheters used for diagnostic, therapeutic and monitoring applications. Molex is applying its product and engineering expertise to the MedTech industry. We draw from our broad portfolio of interconnect solutions as well as our contract design, development and outsourcing capabilities, focusing on next-generation electrophysiology (EP) devices.

From proximal- to distal-end applications, Molex has the technology and know-how to enable your success and overcome the challenges of EP applications. This breadth of converging capabilities is what has established Molex as a market leader in medical device products, solutions and services.

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BASIC SYSTEM ELEMENTS



Diagnostic Catheter

Therapeutic Catheter

Signal Generator

Accessories

ABOUT ELECTROPHYSIOLOGY (EP)

- EP is a test/study that records the electrical activity and the electrical pathways of the heart to find an abnormal heartbeat (arrhythmia).
- EP is a specialized application that utilizes a minimally invasive (keyhole surgery) approach to insert an electronic catheter in the body to access a major artery.
 - There are several types of catheters. However the focus in EP is on electronic catheters.
- The EP probe is navigated through the artery into the heart chamber where it can aid diagnosis and/or apply a therapy.
- The procedure is conducted in a specialized room called an “EP Lab,” which is configured to efficiently apply the procedures.
- Functionally, there are 2 major modes the electronic catheter operates in:
 - Diagnostic, which measures the electrical performance from within the heart.
 - Ultrasound imaging is another tool that uses Doppler imaging of blood flow and velocity and myocardial wall motion to assess function.
 - Therapeutic, which stops the abnormal function (arrhythmia) of the heart through the tip of the catheter. A typical therapy is radio frequency (RF) ablation.

WHERE WE PLAY

The EP system consists of:

1. The signal generator: the box that the respective cable assemblies are plugged into.
 - a. Within the box there are in-the-box connectors and wiring assemblies.
 - b. Connector receptacles also attach to the box for cables to interface.
2. EP cable assemblies plug into the signal generator receptacles.
 - a. The system requires a suite of cable assemblies that interface to the signal generator box. The surgeon selects and configures the cables based on the specific procedure.
3. The interface between the cable assembly and distal side of the catheter is an electromechanical junction that houses the connections toward the distal end.
 - a. This junction is referred to as the handle assembly, which the surgeon articulates to position the tip for diagnosis and/or therapy.
4. The distal-end probe assembly is application- and customer-specific requiring a “statement of work” document, as it is very likely to include IP considerations.
 - a. Due to the unique nature, distal applications will be handled on a case-by-case basis.

Additional Resources: <https://www.webmd.com/heart-disease/electrophysiology-test#1>

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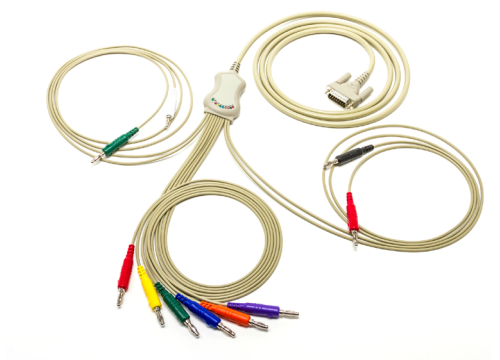




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HOW WE WIN

There are several areas in which Molex has differentiated advantages, starting from within the box to the distal end. Molex wins when we solve a “pinch point” for the customer. We can enter the business at any of the four sections of the playbook. However, the goal is an end-to-end solution leveraging the key Molex & Phillips-Medisize capabilities.

Signal Generator	I/O Cable Assembly
<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Wire harness assembliesCopper Flex and Premo-Flex CircuitsPower and signalBoard-to-board (B-to-B), wire-to-board (W-to-B), wire-to-wire (W-to-W) connectorsPower connectorsI/O connectorsIntegrated products</div>	<div><ul style="list-style-type: none">ISO13485 certifiedFDA-registered medical device manufacturerJapanese Ministry of Health accreditationCE marking under medical device directiveSilicone moldingAHA and IEC compliantHigh-cycle-life contact systemsDIN 42802-2 safety contacts for connection to the interface panel and customer-specified catheterDesign and manufacture adapter cables and cables</div>
Handle Assembly	Distal Probe
<div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Design for manufacturing (DFM)Design for assembly (DFA)ISO3485 QMS for medical devicesISO14001 environmental managementFDA 21 CFR 820 QSR medical deviceFDA 21 CFR 210/211 good manufacturing practiceMedical device directive 93/42/EECMedical devices regulation (regulation [EU] 2017/745)</div><div><ul style="list-style-type: none">Japan QMS MHLW ordinance No. 169China CFDA YY/T 0287 medical devicesCanadian medical devices regulations (SOR/98-282)Regulated software and APP developmentLean and Six Sigma methodologies</div></div>	<div><div><p>Polymicro</p><ul style="list-style-type: none">Medical-certified silica optical fiberCapillary tubingPackaged, labeled and sterilized devicesISO13485, ISO14001, ISO9001Biocompatible certificationsClass-8 clean roomUV-laser finishing</div><div><p>Temp-Flex Coated Wire</p><ul style="list-style-type: none">Implantable biocompatible gradeFluoropolymer micro-extrusionMicro ribbonMicro cable bundles</div></div>