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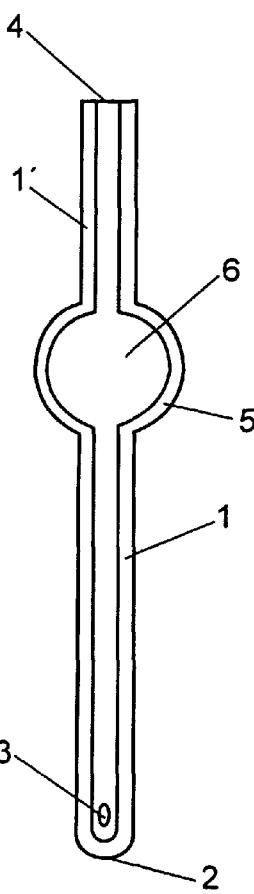
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(54) Title: CATHETERIZATION CATHETER

(54) Título: SONDA PARA CATETERISMO



(57) Abstract: The invention relates to a catheterization catheter which is particularly suitable for bladder catheterization and catheterization of other cavities in both humans and animals. The inventive catheter is of the type comprising a variable-length tubular body (1) which is made from plastic, latex or any other suitable material. The front rounded end (2) of the catheter comprises at least one drain hole (3) and the rear end thereof is provided with an outlet. The central one-piece part of the catheter comprises a wide expansion (5) forming a type of intermediary sphere which is used as an end stop for limiting catheter penetration and as a means of handling said catheter.

(57) Resumen: Sonda para cateterismo, especialmente aplicable al sondaje vesical y de otras cavidades tanto en seres humanos como animales, del tipo de las que incorporan un cuerpo tubular (1) de longitud variable, a base de material plástico, látex o cualquiera otro apropiado, dotado en su extremidad frontal (2) y redondeada de al menos un orificio (3) de drenaje, y de un orificio de salida en su extremidad posterior. En su zona media y con carácter monopieza, incorpora una amplia expansión (5) que configura una especie de globo intermedio en funciones de tope limitador de penetración de la sonda y como medio de manipulación de la misma.

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