

CLAIMS

1. Cradle (1) for a medical device (2), wherein the cradle (1) having:

- an inner cradle side (11D) and an opposing outer cradle side (11P), wherein the outer cradle side (11P) is adapted for attachment to a patient's skin with at least part of the outer cradle side (11P) facing the patient's skin;
- a medical device coupling structure (14a, 14b), wherein the medical device coupling structure (14a, 14b) is adapted for coupling the medical device (2) to the cradle (1) such that part of the medical device (2) is facing the inner cradle side (11D);

wherein the cradle (1) further comprises a draining structure fluidically coupling the inner cradle side (11D) with the outer cradle side (11P).

2. Cradle (1) according to claim 1, wherein the draining structure comprises at least one through hole (13) fluidically coupling the inner cradle side (11D) with the outer cradle side (11P).

3. Cradle (1) according to claim 1 or 2, wherein the cradle (1) includes a cradle base (11) and a wall (12), wherein the wall (12) projects away from the cradle base (11) and comprises two opposing wall sides, wherein one of the two opposing wall sides is at least partly formed by at least part of the outer cradle side (11P) and the other of the two opposing wall sides is at least partly formed by at least part of the inner cradle side (11D), wherein the two opposing wall sides

at least partly formed by the at least part of the outer cradle side (11P) and at least part of the inner cradle side (11D), respectively, are fluidically coupled to each other by the draining structure.

4. Cradle (1) according to claim 3, wherein the at least one through hole (13) of the draining structure is located at a free end of the wall (12).
5. Cradle (1) according to claim 3 or 4, wherein the at least one through hole (13) of the draining structure forms an interruption of the wall (12).
6. Cradle (1) according to any of claims 3 to 5, wherein the at least one through hole (13) of the draining structure is located at the transition of the wall (12) and the cradle base (11) thereby extending from the wall (12) into the cradle base (11).
7. Cradle (1) according to any of claims 3 to 6, wherein the wall (12) forms a border strip, wherein the border strip extends over at least half of the circumferential length of the cradle base (11).
8. Cradle (1) according to any of claims 2 to 7, wherein the at least one through hole (13) of the draining structure forms an elongated hole, a slot, a rectangular hole or a circular hole.
9. Cradle (1) according to any of claims 2 to 8, wherein the cross-sectional area of the at least one through hole is more than 0.01 mm^2 and less than 5 mm^2 .

- 10.** Cradle (1) according to any of the preceding claims, wherein the cradle (1) includes spacers for locating a medical device at a predefined distance from the inner cradle side (11D), the spacers projecting from the inner cradle side (11D).
- 11.** Cradle (1) according to any of the preceding claims, wherein the draining structure comprises at least one groove located on the inner cradle side (11D).
- 12.** Cradle (1) according to any of the preceding claims, wherein the outer cradle side is hydrophobic.
- 13.** Medical system (1, 2), including
- a cradle (1) according to any of the preceding claims;
 - a medical device (2), the medical device (2) including a cradle coupling structure (24a, 24b), the cradle coupling structure (24a, 24b) being complementary to the medical device coupling structure (14a, 14b) of the cradle (1), the medical device (2) further including a proximal medical device side (2P), wherein in a configuration in which the medical device (2) is coupled to the cradle (1) the proximal medical device side (2P) faces the inner cradle side (11D).
- 14.** Medical system (1, 2) according to claim 13, wherein, in a configuration in which the medical device (2) is coupled to the cradle (1), the proximal medical device side (2P) and the inner cradle side (11D) delimits a hollow space fluidically coupled with the draining structure.

15. Method of venting a space between a medical device (2) and a cradle (1), the method comprises the steps of

- providing a medical system according to claim 13 or 14;
- engaging the cradle coupling structure (24a, 24b) of the medical device (2)
5 with the medical device coupling structure (14a, 14b) of the cradle (1), such
that the proximal medical device side (2P) faces the inner cradle side (11D);
- venting a space (G) between the medical device (2) and the cradle (1) by
allowing removal of water, humidity or air from the space by means of the
draining structure, wherein the draining structure is fluidically coupled to
10 the space (G) between the medical device (2) and the cradle (1).