CLAIMS

1. Foot valve (7) for drip chambers (1) of medical infusion or transfusion apparatuses, having an annular valve seat (15) with which a float obturator (11) which is axially displaceable between a closed position and an open position of the valve seat (15) cooperates, characterised in that it comprises a containment cage bush (8) having a flat base (10) forming said annular valve seat (15) and an elastically deformable lateral wall (9) formed by a crown of elastically deformable axial sectors (9) within which said float (11) floats in a guided fashion, the lateral wall (9) of the containment bush (8) and the float (11) having respective mutually facing diverging surfaces (14, 16; 14, 18) whereby a radial deformation of the containment bush (8) applies through said diverging surfaces (14, 16; 14, 18) an axial thrust to the float (11) in the direction of moving it apart from said annular valve seat (15).

2. Valve according to claim 1, characterised in that said float obturator (11) is provided with a soft disk-like membrane (13) which rests against said flat base (10) in said closing position.

3. Valve according to claim 1 or claim 2, characterised in that said elastically deformable axial sectors (9) have free ends with diverging portions (14) facing towards a corresponding diverging annular wall (16; 18) of the float obturator (11).

4. Drip chamber for medical infusion or transfusion apparatuses, comprising a hollow elongated cylindrical body (1) having a radially elastically deformable lateral wall (2) and a bottom wall (3) provided with an outlet opening (4), and a foot valve (7) according to any one of claims 1 through 3 wherein said containment cage bush (8) is sealingly engaged

between the lateral wall (2) and the bottom wall (3) of the drip chamber body (1) and wherein a radial deformation of the lateral wall (2) of the drip chamber body (1) and transmitted to the lateral wall (9) of the containment bush (8) applies said axial thrust to the float obturator (11).