extension tubing to the drug reservoir. Change of the drug reservoir is required usually every 1 to 2 weeks depending on infusion rates. The rest of the system together with the self-adhesive dressing are changed as a whole every 4 to 6 weeks by a specialised pain nurse in an aseptic manner, minimising the risk of contamination of the system.

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Reply from Author: Intrathecal Analgesia for Cancer Pain: Externalised Intrathecal Catheters

Dear Editor,

We thank Dr Nicholas Chua et al for their interest in our review article. We agree and appreciate the experience and comments by the authors regarding the usage of externalised intrathecal catheter for analgesia in cancer pain.

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