

# New & Noteworthy



## Gammagard Liquid 10%

Baxter announces the availability of Gammagard Liquid IVIG 10% Solution for patients in the United States being treated for primary immunodeficiencies. Gammagard Liquid is a ready-to-use, sterile preparation and needs no reconstitution. In addition, its high concentration relative to 5% concentrations reduces the length and volume of infusion, saving time for patients and health care professionals. It contains no added sugars, sodium, or preservatives, and its packaging is latex-free. In the U.S., Gammagard Liquid is available in five vial sizes (1 g, 2.5 g, 5 g, 10 g and 20 g) and can be stored for up to nine months at room temperature, within 24 months of manufacture, or for up to 36 months if kept under refrigeration.

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**Baxter Healthcare Corporation**  
 Circle #122 or visit [www.baxter.com](http://www.baxter.com).

## Open Storage Systems with Modular Flexibility

InnerSpace launches the QuickStore product line of open-architecture, modular storage systems. QuickStore units are comprised of a powder-coated frame with adjustable rails, which can be snapped into place, allowing users to adjust the system for procedure-specific applications or bulk storage. QuickStore units are available in stationary and mobile configurations. Optional accessories are also available.



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**InnerSpace Corporation**  
 Circle #127 or visit [www.innerspacecorp.com](http://www.innerspacecorp.com).

## Storage and Handling Systems with Rust-Free Guarantee

MetroMax, a polymer-constructed storage and handling system with a lifetime guarantee against rust, has an open architecture with removable mats for easy cleaning and shelves that adjust in half-inch increments. MetroMax's accessories include drop-in baskets, dividers, casters, and solid mats. Microban antimicrobial product protection is molded into MetroMax's shelf mats to help inhibit the growth of bacteria, mold, and mildew.



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**InterMetro Industries Corporation**  
 Circle #126 or visit [www.metro.com](http://www.metro.com).

## Scalable Robotic Dispensing System

Innovation Associates launches PharmASSIST ROBOTx, a scalable robotic prescription dispensing system, configurable for up to 140 dispensers. With PharmASSIST ROBOTx, pharmacies can now match their prescription volumes and budgets to the right amount of robotic dispensing, and add capacity as they need it.



PharmASSIST ROBOTx is capable of incorporating dispensers from a customer's existing PharmASSIST SmartCabinet or Symphony+ System, and is integrated with PharmASSIST Symphony workflow software. Enabling the throughput of up to 240 prescriptions an hour, the system labels, caps, and presents all filled vials to output queues from which operators can verify each prescription and then continue their prescription filling process.

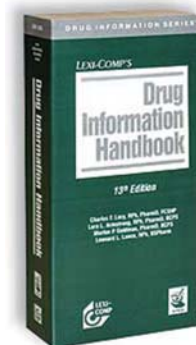
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**Innovation Associates**  
 Circle #129 or visit [www.innovat.com](http://www.innovat.com).



## Chemotherapy Technique Training and Testing Kit

Q.I. Medical's ChemoTest is designed to meet the training and testing needs of pharmacists, technicians, and nurses who manipulate hazardous drugs. Each test uses difficult-to-handle 3-mL and 50-mL vials, containing liquid and powdered fluorescein dye. Each pharmacy uses its own diluents, dispensing pins, syringes, bags, and tubing. A modest \$18 cost encourages managers to validate procedures and techniques as supported in the recent NIOSH hazardous drug alert.

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**Q.I. Medical**  
 Circle #121 or visit [www.qimedical.com](http://www.qimedical.com).



## New Edition of Drug Information Handbook

Lexi-Comp publishes the 13th edition of its Drug Information Handbook, covering 1,339 comprehensive drug monographs that contain up to 33 fields of information. Lexi-

Comp has also added a new "Medication Safety Issues" field to the handbook, identifying look-alike/sound-alike drugs and flagging highly concentrated formulations. Drug information is now separated into four categories: Cytochrome P450 Effect, Increased Effect/Toxicity, Decreased Effect, and Ethanol/Nutrition/Herb Interactions. The handbook also features labeled and unlabeled/investigational indications; pharmacodynamics/kinetics information; dosing adjustments for renal or hepatic impairment; and stability, administration, and extemporaneous preparations.

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**Lexi-Comp, Inc.**  
 Circle #132 or visit [www.lexi.com](http://www.lexi.com).



### *Latex-Free, Powder-Free Gloves*

Ansell Healthcare introduces Derma Prene PI gloves, made from synthetic polyisoprene and light green in color for easy latex-free identification. The powder-free gloves are also reduced in thickness to enhance tactile sensitivity in the fingertips and to make double gloving easier and more comfortable.



**Ansell Healthcare**  
Circle #143 or visit  
[www.ansell.com](http://www.ansell.com).



### *Growing Line of Unit of Use Bottles*

American Health Packaging produces a growing line of unit-of-use bottled products, including various strengths and sizes of Paroxetine, Diltiazem, and Gabapentin. The company's unit-of-use products are packaged in ready-to-dispense quantities of 30, 90, and 180 doses, eliminating the need for recounting and repackaging.



**American Health Packaging,**  
**An AmerisourceBergen Company**  
Circle #131  
or visit [www.healthpack.com](http://www.healthpack.com).

## Addition to Oncology Product Line

Bedford Laboratories adds Methotrexate for Injection USP, 1 gram, to its line of oncology products. Methotrexate is used in the treatment of certain neoplastic diseases, severe psoriasis, and adult rheumatoid arthritis, and is available in four single-dose, preservative-free liquid presentations, containing 25 mg/mL methotrexate sodium (50 mg in 2 mL, 100 mg in 4 mL, 200 mg in 8 mL, 250 mg in 10 mL) and a 1-gram, single-dose, preservative-free lyophilized powder.



### Bedford Laboratories

Circle #123 or visit [www.bedfordlabs.com](http://www.bedfordlabs.com).



## Softwall and Hardwall Modular Cleanrooms

Terra Universal manufactures modular cleanrooms designed to help pharmacies meet the requirements of USP <797>. Available in several standard sizes, these systems include industry-quiet, low-energy HEPA filter/fan units and meet ISO Class 5 cleanliness requirements. Choose from softwall or hardwall plastic panels, in several materials that stand up to common disinfectants. Each model includes a separate antechamber for gowning and staging products. Standard models can be configured to meet unique requirements for space, pass-through access, special lighting, and furnishings.

### Terra Universal

Circle #43 or visit [www.TerraUniversal.com](http://www.TerraUniversal.com).



## Biometrics-Enhanced Bar Code Technology

Ultra-Scan Corporation will combine its patented ultrasonic fingerprint biometric technology with Bio-Optronics' Dynamic Hospital suite of products designed to improve workflow and patient safety. The combined solution will help to address patient misidentification and medication administration errors by requiring caregivers to verify both a patient's fingerprint and bar-coded wristband at the point of care. In addition, hospital staff will be fingerprinted to ensure they are properly authorized to administer medications.

### Ultra-Scan Corporation

Circle #135 or visit [www.ultra-scan.com](http://www.ultra-scan.com).



## Keyless Lock for Wall-Mounted Workstations

Carstens introduces a new electronic, keyless lock for its line of WALLaroo 2000 wall-mounted workstations. The push-button lock stores up to five user passwords, and a master code override allows authorized personnel to access the WALLaroo's contents—patient records, PCs, and other charting equipment – if necessary. The easy-to-read numbers on the lock's antibacterial-coated, soft-membrane keypad enhance accessibility. LED indicator lights signal when the workstation is locked or open, and a USB port allows for pinpointed lighting in softly lit patient rooms or hallways. The battery-operated system also has a 9-volt power back-up.

### Carstens, Inc.

Circle #130 or visit [www.carstens.com](http://www.carstens.com).

## Barrier Isolator Manufacturer Reports Successful Validation

Germfree put their barrier isolator through an independent validation for use outside of a cleanroom. The experiment was conducted by Stan Duarte, a biosafety officer from the Morehouse School of Medicine's environmental health and safety program. To fulfill the requirements of USP <797>, barrier isolators are required to maintain ISO Class 5 conditions. The tests conclusively proved that, by utilizing a HEPA purge airlock (antechamber) and unidirectional (laminar) flow in the work area, the LFGI was able to maintain ISO Class 5 conditions throughout regular use, including the ingress and egress of materials from the unit.



### Germfree Laboratories

Circle #142 or visit [www.germfree.com](http://www.germfree.com).

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## Technology to Support Medication Reconciliation Initiatives

Siemens Medical Solutions and RxHub announce a strategic alliance to provide clinicians with access to detailed, up-to-date outpatient medication histories that can be reviewed and incorporated into a patient's medication reconciliation process within the acute care setting. Under the agreement, Siemens will offer its hospital and health system customers access to RxHub's MEDS service, which queries the databases of contracted pharmacy benefits managers and payers to find out what medications a patient has been or is taking, thereby greatly improving reliability in medication reconciliation.

### Siemens Medical Solutions

Circle #136 or visit [www.usa.siemens.com/medical](http://www.usa.siemens.com/medical).



### *Clinical-Intervention Documentation System*

Gold Standard has acquired Pharmaconomics' Clini-Doc product line, a comprehensive clinical-intervention documentation and reporting system. Available online and for Pocket PC and Palm PDAs, Clini-Doc enables pharmacists to document clinical interventions, drug consults, medication errors, and adverse drug reactions, as well as clinical activity in the pharmacy for staffing and administrative purposes. The system also features quarterly summary and corporate roll-up reports, executive and global summaries, customizable pharmacist and room lists, and drug analysis, in addition to Quick-Doc, a feature that allows users to document interventions in seconds.



**Gold Standard**

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or visit [www.gsm.com](http://www.gsm.com).



### *New Pneumatic-Tube System Carrier*

Swisslog introduces a new version of its 6-inch Eco-Seal pneumatic tube system carrier with a different size wear band and sealing ring. The new blue Duraband wear band and opaque white sealing ring can improve a user's ability to visually assure that the ring is properly in place, as well as indicate that no contaminants or obstructions are present.



**Swisslog**

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or visit [www.swisslog.com](http://www.swisslog.com).



## Water-Purification System

Millipore launches the new RiOs 3 water-purification system, designed to meet the needs of operations that require up to 30 L of high-quality, pure water from tap per day. This adaptable system is suitable for general non-critical laboratory applications such as manual cleaning/rinsing and buffer preparation. It also can be used to provide feedwater for glassware washers, autoclaves, and humidifiers or as a pretreatment for ultra pure water systems, including Millipore's Synergy and Milli-Q systems. The compact, 15.4-lb RiOs 3 system can be wall- or bench-mounted, and product water is typically better than 94% free of ionic contaminants and better than 99% free of organics, bacteria, and particles. The water can be used on demand or stored in the integrated 6-L reservoir in optimal condition for use when needed. The system's graphic screen displays product water quality, system functions, and reservoir water level parameters, enabling the user to check the status at a glance.



### Millipore Corporation

Circle #140 or visit [www.millipore.com](http://www.millipore.com)



## Catheter Connector

B. Braun announces the Perifix Catheter Connector, a low-profile, click-to-close connector for the company's epidural, combined spinal/epidural, and nerve-block products that contain a connector. The new device is easy to use and has increased grip strength to facilitate more secure catheter connections. Because of its low profile, it is less obtrusive and more comfortable for patients.

### B. Braun Medical Inc.

Circle #141 or visit [www.bbraunusa.com](http://www.bbraunusa.com).



## Refrigerated Automated Pharmacy Storage

Swisslog announces the addition of an automated refrigerated pharmacy medication storage and retrieval cabinet to its existing BoxPicker system: a high-density, automated pharmacy cabinet for storing and dispensing medication inventory and supplies. With the refrigerated BoxPicker, pharmacy can store and retrieve items that traditionally could not be housed in a carousel or robot. The refrigerated BoxPicker can maintain specified temperatures between 36° and 46°F.

### Swisslog

Circle #125 or visit [www.swisslog.com](http://www.swisslog.com).



## Prescription Containers

EPS announces the addition of plastic and glass vials and bottles with either child-resistant or regular screw caps to its line of prescription containers. The bottles are graduated for quick visual identification and are available in capacities from 2 to 16 ounces. Vials are stocked from 6 to 60 dram and plastic ointment jars range in size from 1/2 ounce to 16 ounces. All the containers are available for immediate shipment.

### EPS, Inc.

Circle #119 or visit [www.medi-dose.com](http://www.medi-dose.com).

## Electronic Document Storage

QS/1 releases Document Imaging Module for its NRx, RxCare Plus, and PrimeCare pharmacy management systems for scanning and electronically storing documents for rapid retrieval. With QS/1's Document Imaging Module, documents can be saved by the patient, transaction, item, or physician record for quick access. Pharmacy employees can now quickly view an electronic image of a document to verify accuracy. This product eliminates the need for employees to search through a filing cabinet for the original document.



### QS/1

Circle #120 or visit [www.qs1.com](http://www.qs1.com).

## Bar Code and RFID Reader Technology

Socket Communications announces the CF RFID Reader-Scan Card Series 6, designed for Pocket PCs or other mobile devices running Windows Mobile software. The CF RFID Reader-Scan Card combines both RFID and bar code technology, enabling users to scan bar codes and read/write to high frequency (13.56MHz) RFID tags with a single, affordable mobile device.

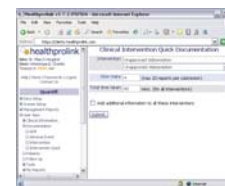


### Socket Communications

Circle #124 or visit [www.socketcom.com](http://www.socketcom.com).

## Abridged Intervention Documentation Form

Healthprolink releases Quantifi Quick Documentation, an abridged intervention documentation form, as an alternative to the Quantifi program's more extensive Clinical Intervention Documentation form. Shorter in length, the Quick Documentation form can also document multiple interventions of the same type at once, saving pharmacists valuable time.



### Healthprolink

Circle #133 or visit [www.healthprolink.com](http://www.healthprolink.com).