

# New & Noteworthy

## Refrigerators for Pharmacy Applications

Follett's stainless-steel REF5 and REF4 under-counter refrigerators support JCAHO standards for medication storage, and can provide quick pull down to temperature and consistent cooling, even with frequent door openings. An external digital temperature window can improve the ease of mandated temperature logging. An optional alarm visually and/or audibly alerts staff to high or low temperature excursions and can be connected to a central monitoring system. A battery back-up provides additional security for expensive medications in the event of power failure. The refrigerators' 24-inch width and design require no side clearance and an automatic defrost can save staff time.



Follett

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## Tablet and Capsule Counter

Talyst is now the exclusive distributor of the Kirby Lester KL-16 Automatic Tablet and Capsule Counting System in the hospital market. Used for filling and verifying outpatient prescriptions, the standalone unit can verify counts for tablets and capsules of all shapes and sizes, keep a record of each prescription's quantity and user ID, and provide bar code and visual verification of the correct medication against an on-board FirstDataBank database of more than 8,000 NDC numbers and 15,000 images.



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## ADM Data-Reporting Tool

With RxAuditor by Medacist, users transmit their ADM transaction data via the Internet to RxAuditor's staff, who then prepare reports and actionable information tools that help users identify possible cases of drug diversion in their facilities. Using a hospital-specific access code, customers upload archive data to RxAuditor on a monthly basis and are typically notified within two business days that their reports have been completed and are ready for download. RxAuditor's reports can be viewed from any computer with Internet access.

Medacist Solutions Group

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## Waste Management Consultants

PharmEcology Associates offers health care facilities on-going solutions to enhance the way in which hazardous pharmaceutical waste is identified and managed. Their services can ensure that management systems are environmentally friendly and EPA and JCAHO compliant. The PharmE Formulary Analysis characterizes pharmaceuticals as hazardous waste and recommends the proper waste stream. The PharmE Waste Wizard online search engine sustains the program as new drugs are brought into the system. It can also assist with samples, patients' personal medications, and other non-formulary pharmaceuticals.

PharmEcology Associates, LLC

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## Mobile Cabinet and Workstation

McKesson's CarePoint-RN combines mobile cabinet technology with a personal workstation. Connected wirelessly to a bar code medication verification system, CarePoint-RN provides nurses with access to clinical information, patient-specific medications, and supplies. Accommodating patient-specific bins or envelopes, CarePoint-RN supports a variety of medication distribution models and features an adjustable work surface; an embedded computing platform with full-sized LCD display, keyboard, and bar code scanner; and a rechargeable power supply.

McKesson Corporation

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## Resealable and UV-Inhibitive Bags

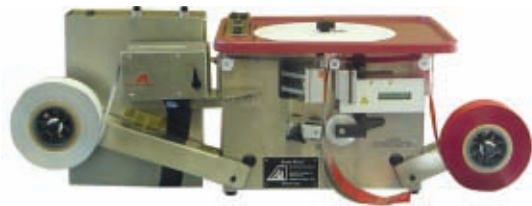
EPS' growing line of resealable and Ultraviolet UV-inhibitive bags for the protection and transfer of medications are now available in a variety of sizes. The bags are available in clear material with a white writing block or with a variety of color imprints, such as "freeze," "IV," "STAT," "refrigerate," "return to pharmacy," and "PRN." EPS also stocks re-sealable narcotic-return envelopes, as well as chemotherapy, bio-hazard, and laboratory specimen bags.

EPS, Inc.

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## Stainless-Steel Tabletop Unit Dose Packaging Machine

Medical Packaging Inc.'s Auto-Print tabletop oral solid unit dose packaging system is now available in stainless steel, the standard contact surface used in the pharmaceutical industry. As with the original Auto-Print system, the stainless-steel version comes equipped with MPI's customizable WinPakUD labeling software and can produce up to 60 unit dose packages per minute.

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## Extended-Cuff Chemotherapy Gloves

Ansell Healthcare announces the Micro-Touch Nitrile E.P., a textured, 100% nitrile, powder-free examination glove with an extended cuff for extra protection while handling hazardous drugs. The Micro-Touch Nitrile E.P. is FDA-approved for handling chemotherapy drugs and provides excellent chemical and puncture resistance. Its blue color helps users identify it as a nitrile glove.



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## Software Links Pharmacy and Lab Information Systems

The VigiLanz Dynamic PharmacoVigilance System acts as a bridge between a hospital's pharmacy and lab information systems, automating the comparison of patients' drug usage with lab results, and thereby presenting the potential for ADE reduction. Based on the system's built-in rule sets or hospital-specific guidelines, the system automatically generates warnings and alerts that help clinicians make appropriate drug therapy decisions.

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## Electronic Ambulatory Infusion Pumps

B. Braun has renewed its exclusive-distribution, training, and technical-support agreement for Curlin Medical's ambulatory pumps. Curlin Medical Ambulatory Pumps are used in multiple applications, including pain management delivery, nutritional, and antibiotic therapies. The pumps enable caregivers to pre-set doses for patient self-administration.

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## Remote Monitoring System

Isensix's Advanced Remote Monitoring System (ARMS) is a wireless monitoring and alert system for vital parameters such as refrigerator and freezer temperatures, room pressure, and airflow in IV prep/compounding hoods. With a suite of sensors and applications, ARMS can enable pharmacies to maintain quality assurance and more efficiently meet JCAHO and <797> requirements. ARMS also features a data-management system that utilizes a centralized, Web-based architecture and real-time data/documentation capture.



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## Patient-Safety Tools at the Points of Use and Administration

Omnicell introduces its Point-to-Point Medication Safety solutions for the points of use and administration. The integration of Omnicell's medication dispensing cabinets and bedside medication administration system adds six new safety checks to the medication-use process, while facilitating more efficient documentation, billing, and inventory control.

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## Bar Code Printer

The Toshiba B-SA4TP thermal transfer/direct thermal bar code printer supports a variety of symbologies, including two-dimensional bar codes. With a compact footprint, the printer is equipped with Bartender UltraLite labeling software.



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## Azithromycin for Injection

APP will market Azithromycin for Injection, the generic equivalent of Zithromax, in 500-mg vials. The product is preservative-free and AP rated, and each vial will include a bar code and latex-free vial stopper. Azithromycin for Injection is indicated for the treatment of community-acquired pneumonia and pelvic inflammatory disease, when caused by susceptible microorganisms.



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