



Typenex® Introduces the TypeSafe™ Segment Sampling Device
TypeSafe is the newest segment-sampling device offered to blood banks, made for safety, efficiency, and affordability

CHICAGO, Nov. 1, 2007 – Typenex® Medical, L.L.C., the manufacturer of the Original Blood Recipient Verification System, today announced the launch of its new segment-sampling device designed to provide blood banks with a safe, efficient, and more affordable method of cross-matching.

The TypeSafe™ Segment Sampling Device provides an improved alternative to segment piercing devices on the market today. The device features a ribbed exterior for easy handling and an enclosed piercing needle to lower the occurrences of blood splatter when cross matching segments. In order to maintain efficiency in its customers' blood banks, TypeSafe™ was designed to fit into existing test tubes, and help to reduce the need for sample re-processing due to cross-contamination with scissors-use.

According to the 2005 Nationwide Blood Collection and Utilization Survey Report, a total of 11,221,000 cross-match procedures were performed in 2004, with the overall cross-match-to-transfusion ratio being 1.55 procedures per unit. This number increased with hospital size and ranged from 1.30 in hospitals performing 0-999 surgeries a year, to 1.63 in hospitals performing more than 8,000 surgeries per year.

"We are very excited to offer such a safe and affordable device to our customers," said John Fife, managing partner of Chicago Venture Partners, owner of Typenex. "We look forward to the adoption of this product by blood banks and hope it will provide a more convenient and affordable option when cross-matching compared to other products on the market today."

The report went on to state that approximately 1,322 medical treatment facilities reported a total of 32,128 transfusion-related adverse reactions. Of these, 160 were reported as transfusion-related acute lung injury and were more likely to occur in hospitals performing more than 8,000 surgeries per year. Typenex products are designed with these statistics in mind.

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Earlier this year, Typenex released a bar code version of its original identification wristband available for purchase. Created based upon customer requests, the bar code wristband boasts the capability of 'Code 128' symbology, an adhesive fastening for easy application and enhanced patient comfort, a clear wrist strap to protect patient information, and the stout information label to accommodate 4mL sample tubes and handwritten or printed labels.

For more information about the Typenex TypeSafe Segment Sampling Device, please call 866-TYPENEX (897-3639) or visit www.Typenex.com.

About Typenex

Typenex is held by Chicago Venture Partners, a Chicago-based small business investment company. It is the original Blood Recipient Verification System, and was designed to maximize patient safety by ensuring the accuracy of blood cross-matching procedures. The Typenex system establishes a positive physical link between the patient, the drawn blood sample, the cross-matched units of blood, and paperwork from the bedside, to the laboratory and/or blood bank. Also included in the Typenex portfolio are bar code bands for fast patient-blood identification and matching, and TypeSafe Segment Sampling Device for cross matching segments. For more information please call (866) TYPENEX (897-3639) or visit www.Typenex.com.

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