

Announcement

PharmaHelp Continued Success at the University Hospital Heidelberg

Innovative Compounding Automation equipment provides easy installation and operation.

(Bad Homburg, Germany – Sep. 1, 2013) – **Fresenius Kabi**, the maker of the **PharmaHelp** automated Oncology Compounding machine, announced the details of the continued success of PharmaHelp installed at the **University Hospital Heidelberg**.

“PharmaHelp is an automated Compounding alternative ideal for use in Hospital Compounding facilities” said **Dr. Thomas Schreiner**, Head of Compounding Business Unit Quality Management and Compounding for Fresenius Kabi. “The design of PharmaHelp has been based on Fresenius Kabi’s extensive experience in Compounding under **GMP quality standards**. It provides an important step forward in the safe and accurate preparation of patient specific Oncology infusions by Hospitals”

The Pharmacy Department of the Hospital compounds in excess of **70,000** patient specific Oncology doses per year. The department added the PharmaHelp automated compounding technology as part of its continued commitment to meet the highest standards for **safety, accuracy and efficiency**.

After only 10 weeks of operation, the Hospital has the confidence to use PharmaHelp to produce up to 60 units per day across 10 different Oncology drugs including **Antibodies**. Plans are to increase the output to 90 - 100 units per day.

“Automation such as PharmaHelp provides a solution that enhances both medication safety for our cancer patients as well as occupational health and safety of pharmacy staff” said **Dr. Tilman Schöning**, Deputy Head of Pharmacy. “The speed of installation and the simplicity of operation are key factors in our choice of PharmaHelp. Our technicians have easily learned to operate the machine and are benefitting from the reduced physical strain associated with manual compounding. The consistent accuracy of the drug doses has been most impressive. We are also highly impressed with the installation and follow-up support provided by the Fresenius Kabi / MDS team.”

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