



## Crosstex/SPSmedical Introduces SporView® VH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Self-Contained BI

NOVEMBER 2014 – Crosstex/SPSmedical is pleased to introduce the SporView® VH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Self-Contained BI as an extension to its SporView® biological indicator (BI) product line.

The new SporView® VH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Self-Contained BI is designed to be used to monitor the efficacy of the hydrogen peroxide (VH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>) cycles of the STERRAD® Sterilization System, as well as other hydrogen peroxide sterilization systems. The BI comes with a chemical indicator on the label for immediate confirmation that the sterilization process has occurred. After processing, the BI is activated and then incubated at 55-60°C for 24 hours. Results are easy to read as a color change from purple to yellow indicates spore growth.

Well recognized industry standards such as AAMI ST58 recommend that sterilizers should be verified by the daily (and preferably every load) use of BIs. In addition to conducting routine biological monitoring, equipment users should perform biological monitoring whenever a new type of packaging material or tray is used, after training new sterilization personnel, after a sterilizer has been repaired and/or after any change in the sterilizer loading procedures.

“Compliance with standards is critical for staff and patient safety and for maintaining accreditation,” notes Chuck Hughes VP Infection Prevention Consulting Services SPSmedical Supply Corp., div. Crosstex International. “Biological indicators are the most accepted means of monitoring the sterilization process because they directly determine whether the most resistant microorganisms are present rather than solely focusing on whether or not the physical and chemical conditions necessary for sterilization are met.”

SporView® VH<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> Self-Contained BI is currently **not for sale in the USA**. It will be introduced at the Crosstex International booth at MEDICA 2014 World Forum for Medicine, Dusseldorf Germany, November 12-15, Hall 12-E63. For information on the full line of Crosstex/SPSmedical biological indicators and other sterility assurance products, please call 800-722-1529 (+1 585.3590130 international) or visit [www.spsmedical.com](http://www.spsmedical.com).

### About Crosstex International and SPSmedical Supply

Crosstex International, a division of Cantel Medical Corp., and SPSmedical Supply have joined forces to serve the healthcare community as global manufacturers of infection control and prevention products. Crosstex/SPSmedical offers high quality, innovative products, the majority of which are manufactured in the United States in their FDA-registered manufacturing facilities. Sold in more than 100 countries, the range of products distributed to medical, dental, and veterinary practices include: Secure Fit® technology face masks, Sure-Check® sterilization pouches, STEAMPlus® Class 5 Integrators, in-office and mail-in biological monitoring products and services, sterilization packaging, Rapicide® OPA/28 HLD, patient towels, surface disinfectants, hand sanitizers, gloves, sponges, cotton products, saliva ejectors, evacuator tips and the Crosstex Patients Choice® line of preventive products.

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