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Dräger Medical introduces own disposable hose system

Lübeck (Germany), March 20, 2006 – Dräger Medical is expanding its accessories portfolio with its own disposable hose systems. They are designed primarily to garner optimal performance from ventilation and anesthesia systems. The goal – better and safer treatment. Another benefit – a simplified purchasing process. The new hose systems also meet all the relevant standards. The company will introduce the new hose system to a wide audience at the International Symposium on Intensive Care and Emergency Medicine (ISICEM) in Brussels, Belgium, for the first time.

The main idea behind the development of this new product line is to enable clinicians to fully realize the performance potential of Dräger Medical systems, thereby improving patient treatment.¹ This is made possible by connecting Dräger components to Dräger devices. A great deal of value is placed on biocompatibility and resistance to anesthetic gases. All the gas components are PVC-free.

With the inclusion of its own system of disposable hoses into its existing product portfolio, Dräger Medical continues to grow as a solutions provider, thus simplifying the purchasing process for the hospital. Now there's just one supplier, one partner, for life-support and monitoring systems as well as the relevant accessories.

The new disposable hose systems will first be available for ICU and perioperative equipment. The accessories portfolio will eventually expand to cover all care areas.

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¹ As evidenced in corresponding compatibility documents.

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