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**Baxa Features Rapid-Fill™ Colored Labels, PACT™ Products, Exacta-Mix™  
2400 Compounders and Abacus™ Software at the ASHP Mid-Year Clinical  
Meeting**

*Baxa Corporation announces its focus on new Rapid-Fill ASF colored label and Productivity and Compliance Tools (PACT) products at the 2008 American Society of Health-System Pharmacists Mid-year Clinical Meeting and Exhibition beginning today at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, FL.*

Englewood, Colo. – Baxa Corporation is featuring its new Rapid-Fill colored labels, along with the Productivity and Compliance Tools (PACT), Exacta-Mix Automated Compounders and Abacus Software during this week's ASHP Mid-year Clinical Meeting (MCM). Featured products include the Rapid-Fill Automated Syringe Filler, the market leader for accurate and easy-to-use, automation for IV syringe batch filling. PACT products provide training and process efficiency to improve regulatory compliance and streamline pharmacy operations. Finally, the Exacta-Mix and Abacus products combine to offer a state-of-the-art system for automating multi-ingredient sterile solution compounding. In its 43<sup>rd</sup> year, the MCM takes place December 7 – 11, 2008 at the Orange County Convention Center in Orlando, Florida.

The *Rapid-Fill System* reduces pharmacy overhead for sterile syringe batching activities, while facilitating USP <797> compliance and providing the opportunity for more adequate staff allocation and greater inventory control. Its new syringe labels – available in eight new colors (in addition to the original white) – allow customers to extend the system's automation to broader applications in pharmacy syringe filling.

The *PACT* product line includes products and services designed to help pharmacies improve patient-care efficiencies and simplify compliance with state and federal regulations. Current products within the PACT line are the Skills Training, Academics and Resources (STAR) Center™, the MedBoard™ Medication Tracking System and the CriticalPoint™ online training modules.

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Also featured in Baxa booth #2249 are the Exacta-Mix™ 2400 Automated Compounder and Abacus™ TPN Calculation Software. Market-leading Exacta-Mix Compounders are the only system that automates both macro and micro ingredient deliveries for parenteral solution compounding. Abacus is used for total parenteral nutrition (TPN) order entry and calculation. Designed by health-system pharmacists, the software reduces the opportunity for user error in the prescribing, calculating and mixing of multi-source solutions.

Baxa Corporation is the leading provider of solutions for improving pharmacy efficiency and promoting safe medication handling and administration. Founded in 1975, Baxa Corporation built its reputation by designing niche products that provide solutions for the transfer, delivery, packaging and administration of fluid medications in hospital pharmacy and alternate-site settings worldwide. Baxa features a number of products and services that promote pharmacy best practices and support compliance to the guidelines under USP Chapter <797> – Sterile Compounding.

### **About Baxa Corporation**

Baxa, a customer-focused medical device company, provides innovative, solution-based technologies for fluid handling and delivery. Its systems and devices promote the safe and efficient preparation, handling, packaging, and administration of fluid medications. Key products include Rapid-Fill™ Automated Syringe Fillers, Exacta-Med® Oral Dispensers, MicroFuse® Syringe Infusers, Repeater™ Pharmacy Pumps, and Exacta-Mix™ and MicroMacro™ Multi-Source Automated Compounders; used worldwide in hospitals and healthcare facilities. Privately held, Baxa Corporation has subsidiaries and sales offices in Canada and the United Kingdom; direct representation in Austria, Belgium, Finland, France, Germany, Luxembourg, The Netherlands, Switzerland; and distribution partners worldwide. Further information is available at [www.baxa.com](http://www.baxa.com).

### **About CriticalPoint, LLC**

CriticalPoint, LLC, offers interactive Web-based training for compounding sterile preparations and services related to creating and enabling learning through technology in clinical settings. CriticalPoint e-Learning represents a best practices

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approach for interactive training for sterile compounding and is designed to assist healthcare providers in meeting quality assurance program goals and regulatory compliance. For more information visit [www.criticalpoint.info](http://www.criticalpoint.info).

### **About the STAR Center**

The STAR Center is a state-of-the-art cleanroom, pharmacy and training facility located at the Baxa world headquarters in Englewood, Colorado. The center was purpose-built to support training in aseptic technique, pharmacy workflow and practice, cleanroom design and maintenance, and USP <797> compliance among other topics. Classes are taught by industry-recognized subject matter experts. Further information is available at [www.baxa.com/starcenter](http://www.baxa.com/starcenter).

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