

Sphere to attend Medica in Düsseldorf 19-22 November, 2008

Sphere Medical will be attending Medica, the World Forum for Medicine in Düsseldorf, where the company will exhibit Proxima*, its patient attached blood microanalyser for use in critical care. Sphere will co-exhibit with Analogic Inc., manufacturer of the bedside monitor for the Proxima system.

Proxima* is a disposable blood analyser based on microchip technology. The device is so small that it can be integrated into an arterial line, where it can repeatedly measure blood gases, electrolytes, glucose and hematocrit as frequently as required.

This revolutionary approach to blood monitoring is quicker and simpler than removing blood samples for analysis in a lab or nearby blood gas analyser. A step change improvement in critical care management may be brought about by the ability to monitor blood parameters on demand with no waiting and no additional costs. The product will help more accurate control of therapeutic processes such as mechanical ventilation and tight glycaemic control.

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