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New fixed volume models join line of Ovation® BioNatural Pipettes

Options multiply for VistaLab Technologies' ergonomic pipette design that reduces musculoskeletal injuries in laboratory workers

Mt. Kisco, NY – September 6, 2002 – VistaLab Technologies, Inc. has broadened its Ovation® *BioNatural*™ Pipette product line with new models that aspirate and dispense fluids at specific fixed volumes. The new fixed volume Ovation pipettes share an identical ergonomic structure with the variable volume models introduced earlier this year. Both single stroke and two stroke (with overblow) models are available in a number of volume increments ranging from 1µL to 1000µL. In addition, the Company will custom manufacture units in additional volume settings upon request.

“The new fixed volume Ovation pipettes extend the significant ergonomic benefits we brought to the market earlier this year to another level of users who have no variation in their liquid handling needs, and thus no need to change dispensing volumes”, stated Richard E. Scordato, President of VistaLab Technologies. “For those users requiring a single aspirating and dispensing volume, a fixed volume Ovation pipette can greatly reduce exposure to cumulative risk factors that can aggravate or result in work-related musculoskeletal disorders – and at a price competitive to the axial-designed fixed volume pipettes that have been commonplace in the market for decades”.

Ovation represents an entirely new approach to pipette design. It's very shape and operating position effortlessly reinforces ergonomically-correct pipetting by encouraging the users hand, wrist, and arm to assume more neutral postures during all phases of the pipetting cycle. This permits muscles and joints to operate efficiently with minimum effort levels, thereby reducing discomfort, fatigue and work-related injuries – while increasing efficiency and accuracy.

Many organizations seeking ergonomically correct pipetting solutions have numerous workstations where the scientific processes performed never deviate, thus making a variable volume feature an unnecessary luxury. For these situations, a fixed volume Ovation BioNatural Pipette is an ideal choice.

Ovation pipettes are manufactured by VistaLab Technologies, Inc., a privately held company located in Mt. Kisco, New York. The Company's experience in liquid handling products originated in the early 1970's as part of Medical Laboratory Automation, Inc., when a mechanical pipette was developed for use in conjunction with the company's automated coagulation instruments. MLA pipettes have since become one of the most respected brands in the field of laboratory science. The Ovation design recently won a Gold award in the Industrial Designers Society of America (ISDA) 2001 Design Competition.