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Streck introduces Cal-Chex X

Whole blood calibrator for the Coulter AC•T™ 5diff analyzer
and the ABX Pentra 60C+, 80 and 120.

Omaha, NE—Streck, a leading manufacturer of products for the clinical laboratory, introduces Cal-Chex X, a whole blood calibrator for the Coulter AC•T 5diff and ABX Pentra 60C+, 80 and 120 hematology analyzers.

Cal-Chex X, assayed on analyzers calibrated with whole blood using standard reference methods, ensures accurate and reliable calibration of hematology analyzers. Cal-Chex X offers five-day open-vial stability and 45-day closed-vial stability and complements Streck's whole blood hematology control, Para® 5X, for the same analyzers.

Para 5X offers 105-day closed-vial stability and 14-day open-vial stability and is packaged in a 3.0ml cap-pierceable vial, compatible with closed-tube sampling systems.

STATS®, a free interlaboratory quality control program that ensures laboratories meet regulatory requirements for quality control records is offered to Para 5X customers. Data may be submitted by FAX or mail. STATS produces relevant peer group comparison reports and graphs with a quick turnaround time. The reports include customer data, peer group averages and computer-generated Levy-Jennings graphs.

Over the past 30 years, Streck has developed a reputation for excellence that includes consistent, high quality products and responsive customer service and technical service teams. For more information, call 800-843-0912 or consult Streck online at www.streck.com.