Bedside glucose testing systems

Up next: Inform updates, flexible connectivity, and a next-gen system

New to the CAP TODAY lineup of point-of-care blood glucose systems is the Roche Accu-Chek Inform II, which the FDA cleared last fall. It offers meter-level wireless technology, conducts extensive integrity checks with each test, has an advanced laser bar-code scanner, and provides up to three unique patient identifiers. An Other Test Entry feature makes it possible to capture and store results for multiple POC tests.

"The system integrates easily with a hospital network, whether the network is wired, wireless, or a combination of both," says Mary Catherine Coyle, director of marketing, hospital point of care. Expect software and hardware enhancements this year, she says.

On the market since 2004, HemoCue's Glucose 201 DM analyzer has "withstood the test of time," says product marketing manager Terry Carmichael, who adds that the recent focus has been to develop more flexible connectivity solutions. "HemoCue plans to make available options that allow clients to select how they connect HemoCue devices to their [information] system," Carmichael says, "with our goal of making the connection fees for the client more affordable."

Abbott Diabetes Care is working with hospitals to help them achieve their patient safety goals, says Rick Burke, U.S. marketing manager, point of care. The Precision Xceed Pro blood glucose and beta-ketone monitoring system is built on Abbott's "three pillars of patient safety"-bedside accuracy, crosscontamination prevention, and hospital compliance, he says. "Our individually foil-wrapped test strip is just one way Abbott Diabetes Care helps address patient safety and the potential risk of bacterial cross-contamination that can occur with vial-packaged glucose test strips," Burke adds. Pending FDA approval is a next-generation POC blood glucose and ketone monitoring system, he says.

Nova Biomedical's StatStrip measures and corrects for common interferences such as hematocrit, acetaminophen, and ascorbic acid. StatStrip biosensors eliminate the need for calibration coding, and the system's large color display presents multiple patient identifiers. What does Nova marketing specialist Richard Rollins foresee customers requesting in the future? "More point-of-care tests based on a common platform," he says. Nova released last year its StatStrip Lactate handheld analyzer.

Ten bedside glucose testing systems from six companies are profiled in the following pages. All information is supplied by the companies. Readers interested in a particular product should confirm it has the stated features and capabilities.

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	See captodayonline.com/productguides for an interactive version of guide	877-376-1001 www.abbottdiabetescare.com	800-818-8877 www.arkrayusa.com
	Name of instrument/First year sold	Precision Xceed Pro Blood Glucose and Beta-Ketone Monitoring System/2007	Assure Platinum/2010
	Professional or home use Total units sold in U.S./Total units sold outside U.S.	professional and home —	professional —
	No. of contracts for product signed in 2010 Dimensions (H \times W \times D)/Weight	— 19.7 cm (7.7 in) × 7.5 cm (2.96 in) × 5.33 cm (2.1 in)/256 g (9 oz)	1 4.5 \times 2.5 \times 1.2 in/2.8 oz
	Analytical method or technology or enzyme system used	glucose-specific GDH-NAD enzyme and low applied voltage to minimize interference; ß-hydroxybutyrate, the predominant blood ketone DKA	glucose oxidase
	No. of disposable reagent system units per basic package Disposable units shelf life/Reagent unit storage requirements	glucose: 100 strips; ketone: 50 strips 15–18 months/4°–30°C	50 or 100 18 months/room temperature
	Digital readout character size/Keypad input capability	3.06 mm (normal), 8.16 mm (results)/menu selection, numeric, alphabetic	_
	How results are displayed Specimen types/Sampling techniques	true values whole blood/drop (arterial, venous, capillary, neona- tal), capillary transfer, touchable strips	true values whole blood/drop
	Minimum specimen volume required Suitable for samples from well neonates/Sick neonates	glucose: 0.6 μL; ketone: 1.5 μL yes/yes	0.5 μL no/no
	Time from sample introduction to result availability Batteries used/No. used/Average life of one set of batteries Average expected life of device/Mean time between failures	glucose: 20 seconds; ketone: 10 seconds AA Alkaline or NiMH rechargeable/2/— 4–5 years/—	7 seconds AAA/2/5,000 tests with 4 tests per day —
	Device warranty/Service options/Loaners provided	1 year/lifetime replacement/24-hour replacement	5 years/—/yes
	User list or user group Toll-free No. for customer questions/Hours of operation Training and certification program/No. of training days provided Average time for lab to complete maintenance	yes, list available upon request 877-529-7185/24 hours, 7 days a week, all year yes/defined during implementation planning no lab maintenance	no 800-818-8877/24 hours, 7 days yes/one on site daily: <5 minutes
	Internal QC recommended or required Between instrument CV (based on PT) at the following glucose levels:	as defined by facility or institutional policy	control solution testing
	 <50 mg/dL 100-200 mg/dL >400 mg/dL 	70.5 mg/dL, CV=5.0% (4,259 labs) 121.4 mg/dL, CV=4.9% (8,177 labs) 409.6 mg/dL, CV=4.8% (8,052 labs)	=
	Program name, year/Challenge No.	CAP Whole Blood Glucose Survey, WBG-C, 2008/—	_
-	Accuracy/Compared to what reference method or device Precision/Compared to what reference method or device	capillary blood: y=0.94x + 1.6; r=0.98/YSI blood samples: CV 3.0%-3.6%/YSI	slope=1.0, y-inter.= -2.33, r=0.99/YSI model 2300 for glucose results ≥75mg/dL, 100% within ±20%; 96% within ±15%; 79% within ±10%; and 53% within ± 5%. for glucose results <75 mg/dL, 100% within ± 15 mg/dL; 100% within ± 10 mg/
	Linear range Suggested dynamic or measurement range Contraindications Known interferences/High-altitude interference Restrictions based on hematocrit Electronic and optical function checks	glucose: 20–500 mg/dL; ketone: 0.0–8.0 mmol/L glucose: 20–500 mg/dL; ketone: 0.0–8.0 mmol/L per labeling per labeling/no yes, glucose: 20–70%; ketone: 30–60% battery, bar-code scanner, database, and temperature	dL; 88% within ± 5 mg/dL 20–600 mg/dL 20–600 mg/dL yes, see labeling yes/per labeling yes, 30–55% automatic
	Sample quantity checks	checks performed during power-up of meter fill-trigger electrode on each test strip designed to	
	When auto lock or shutdown occurs User defines QC lockout intervals/QC lockout can be circumvented	start the test when sufficient sample is detected strip lot expired, QC failure, and other options yes (optional QC pass/fail feature)/no	Ξ
	Information for which device supports bar-code scanning	operator and patient identifiers, reagent lot numbers, comment codes, control and linearity lot numbers	no bar-code scanner
	Method of analyst ID/ID required Internal memory size/Maximum No. of patient results stored	bar-code or manual ID entry/analyst ID, option to require, set ID length -/1,000 control test results, 6,000 operators, 6,000 pa-	
	mornal monory decombanding no. of patient results stored	tient IDs, 2,500 patient test results, 18 glucose test-strip lots, 20 proficiency test results, 20 glucose linearity test results (1 panel, 5 levels, 4 replicates per level)	000,000 1000
	Meter connections for information transfer	comprehensive Web-based POC data-management system, PrecisionWeb, which connects to *Sybase (Interface Manager), Telcor (QML Quick-Linc), or	_
	How meters are connected to external system to upload results	Alere AegisPOC, then to LIS/HIS hospital network-direct serial via connectivity software on workstation (ethernet); ethernet-terminal	_
	Information contained in transmission to external system	server; ethernet-wireless workstation device-unique identifiers, operator and patient IDs, results, QC identifiers, strip lots, comment codes, test	_
		dates and times, operator certification observed test flag, operator certification observer ID	
	Hardware/Software for data-management system	laptop, desktop, server, or virtual/PrecisionWeb enter- prise multi-simultaneous user, Web-based POC data-	_
	No. of different management reports system can produce	mgmt. system, Alere AegisPOC, Telcor QML Quick-Linc >25 report templates, unlimited custom reports and	_
	Contents downloaded from DMS to meter	suites, custom report development purchase option strip lot numbers, valid control values (optional), valid operator IDs, patient list/demographics, free	-
	LISs/HISs to which system is connected (live installs) using: • Screen animation/Screen scraping	text definitions, meter configuration/lockout settings Cerner, Misys, PerSe, Meditech, SoftLab, CPSI, Vista, CHCS, GE Medical, ADAC, HBOC Star, McKesson Leving Lob Star, ADAC, HBOC Star, McKesson	_
	Standard HL7 interface Proprietary protocol interface	Horizon Lab, Siemens Novius Lab, others yes —	Ξ
	Use 3rd-party interfacing tool or engine for LIS or HIS interfaces	yes (*Sybase Interface Manager, Telcor QML Quick- Linc, Alere AegisPOC)	_
	LOINC can be used to identify tests when communicating with LIS Distinguishing features (supplied by company)	TruelD: identifies patients by name, gender, birth date,	auto coding, no need to manually code the
	gaiog .cataloo (cappilou by company)	alphanumeric data entry; TrueMeasure: test-strip detects adequate sample and minimizes chemical interference, individual foil-wrapped bar-coded test strips: TrueAccess: notification and lock-out technol-	meter; qcProGuard, a 24-hour control solution reminder; strip-release button, no need to touch used test strips

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base has both scripted/HL7 available depending on HIS/LIS versions

ogy helps ensure compliance with procedures

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Name of instrument/First year sold	Assure 4/2007	Glucose 201 DM Analyzer/2005	Glucose 201 Analyzer/2002	
Professional or home use Total units sold in U.S./Total units sold outside U.S. No. of contracts for product signed in 2010 Dimensions (H × W × D)/Weight Analytical method or technology or enzyme system used	professional	professional — 6.7 × 3.7 × 2 in/0.77 lbs absorbance photometry, glucose dehydrogenase	professional — 6.3 × 3.4 × 1.7 in/0.77 lbs absorbance photometry, glucose dehydrogenase	
No. of disposable reagent system units per basic package Disposable units shelf life/Reagent unit storage requirements	50 or 100 18 months/room temperature	25 in vial/box; 4 vials/boxes per package 9 months from manufacture date/refrigeration	25 in vial/box; four vials/boxes per package 9 months from manufacture date/refrigeration	
Digital readout character size/Keypad input capability	_	varies from 8–28 points/menu selection, numeric,	0.5 in/none	
How results are displayed	true values	alphabetic plasma equivalent values	plasma equivalent values	
Specimen types/Sampling techniques	whole blood/capillary transfer	whole blood, venous, capillary, or arterial/exact amount of blood is drawn into the cuvette by capillary force	whole blood, venous, capillary, or arterial/exact amount of blood is drawn into the cuvette by capillary force	
Minimum specimen volume required Suitable for samples from well neonates/Sick neonates	1.5 μL no/no	5 µL yes/yes	5 μL yes/yes	
Time from sample introduction to result availability Batteries used/No. used/Average life of one set of batteries	10 seconds 1.5-V alkaline AAA/2/3,000 tests	40–240 seconds rechargeable lithium ion supplied by HemoCue/—/	40-240 seconds AA/4/150 hours	
Average expected life of device/Mean time between failures Device warranty/Service options/Loaners provided	 5 years/—/yes	several years 7 years/>5 years 2 years, at no additional cost/replacement of defective analyzer/yes	7 years/>5 years 2 years at no extra cost/—/yes	
User list or user group Toll-free No. for customer questions/Hours of operation Training and certification program/No. of training days provided Average time for lab to complete maintenance	no 800-818-8877/24 hours, 7 days yes/as needed weekly: 5 minutes	no 800-323-1674, 6 AM−5 PM PST yes/as needed daily: ≤5 minutes	no 800-323-1674, 6 AM-5 PM PST yes/as needed daily: ≤5 minutes	
Internal QC recommended or required	as specified by accreditation	as specified by accreditation	as specified by accreditation	
Between instrument CV (based on PT) at the following glucose levels: • <50 mg/dL	_	not available	not available	
• 100–200 mg/dL • >400 mg/dL	_	3.8 ≥272 mg/dL=2.9	3.8 ≥272 mg/dL=2.9	
 Program name, year/Challenge No./Level of mean glucose challenge sample 	_	Equalis (Swedish PT program), 2003/2003–2003; 2003–2007/272 mg/dL; 120 mg/dL	Equalis (Swedish PT program), 2003/2003-03; 2003-07/272 mg/dL; 120 mg/dL	
Accuracy/Compared to what reference method or device Precision/Compared to what reference method or device	slope=1.010/r=0.993/YSI glucose analyzer 4.1%/—	$\pm 10\%$ or $\pm 6\%$ mg/dL; corr=0.994/wet chemical glucose dehydrogenase, ID-GCMS within run CV 1.9% (108 mg/dL)/—	$\pm 10\%$ or ± 6 mg/dL; corr=0.994/wet chemical glucose dehydrogenase, ID-GCMS within run CV 1.9 percent (108 mg/dL)/—	
Linear range Suggested dynamic or measurement range Contraindications	30–550 mg/dL 30–550 mg/dL no	0–444 mg/dL 0–444 mg/dL no	0–444 mg/dL 0–444 mg/dL no	
Known interferences/High-altitude interference	per labeling/no, tested up to 7,000 ft	per labeling/no	grossly lipemic samples, methemoglobin, glucosamine/no	
Restrictions based on hematocrit Electronic and optical function checks	yes, 30–55% sumcheck functions for electronics and software, no optics	no internal electronic self-test automatically checks that the instrument's optronic unit is working properly	no internal electronic self-test automatically checks that the instrument's optronic unit is working properly	
Sample quantity checks When auto lock or shutdown occurs	Ξ	visual inspection user ID failure if configured to require operator ID; QC failure if configured to require quality control; number of device errors	visual inspection —	
User defines QC lockout intervals/QC lockout can be circumvented	no/—	yes/no (stat testing may be allowed; 1–100 tests after QC interval)	no/no	
Information for which device supports bar-code scanning	no bar-code scanner	operator and patient identifiers, reagent lot Nos., comments, log entries, lab ID	no bar-code scanner	
Method of analyst ID/ID required	FO took manage/ED	alphanumeric manual entry or bar-code scan entry/ optional 4 000 nation) tosts 500 00 tosts 500 analyzer log	_	
Internal memory size/Maximum No. of patient results stored	50-test memory/50	4,000 patient tests, 500 QC tests, 500 analyzer log entries/4,000	_	
Meter connections for information transfer How meters are connected to external system to upload results	_	analyzer connects to 201 DM docking stations data-management system, which can further transmit data direct USB/hospital network	_	
Information contained in transmission to external system		device unique identifiers, operator and patient IDs, results, QC identifiers, POCT-1A standard compliant, date/time, lab ID, flags		
Hardware/Software for data-management system No. of different management reports system can produce	=	PC/server/HemoCue 201 DM–DMS software 15 different templates, custom reports based on	=	
Contents downloaded from DMS to meter	_	templates, multiple export formats cuvette lot No., valid control values, valid operator IDs, comments, analyzer log entries, analyzer configuration	_	
LISs/HISs to which system is connected (live installs) using: • Screen animation/Screen scraping • Standard HL7 interface	=	— Cerner, Orchard, Sunquest, EHS, SoftLab, M-Magic, Starlab, M-CS, HorizonLab	Ξ	
Proprietary protocol interface Use 3rd-party interfacing tool or engine for LIS or HIS interfaces LOINC can be used to identify tests when communicating with LIS.	=	yes (MAS-RALS, LDS AegisPOC, Telcor, Sybase, Radiometer Radiance)	=	
LOINC can be used to identify tests when communicating with LIS		DOOT 4.6 compliants indicated for diagnosis of	CLIA-waived; indicated for diagnosis of diabetes	
Distinguishing features (supplied by company)	small sample size: 1.5 µL; fast test time: 10 seconds; large strip handle	POCT-1A compliant; indicated for diagnosis of diabetes mellitus; not hematocrit-dependent; CLIA-waived; lab verification of patient home meter; no interference from maltose or galactose; no need to recalibrate	CLIA-waived; indicated for diagnosis of diabetes mellitus; not hematocrit-dependent; lab verification of patient home meter; no interference from maltose or galactose; no need to recalibrate	
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for an interactive versi	ion of guide	www.medtronicdiabetes.net	www.novabiomedical.com	www.roche-diagnostics.us
Name of instrument/Fi	irst year sold	iPro2 Professional CGM/2012	StatStrip Hospital Glucose Monitoring System/2006	ACCU-CHEK Inform II System/2012
Professional or home u Total units sold in U.S.	use /Total units sold outside U.S.	professional —	professional —	professional —
Dimensions (H \times W \times D	No. of contracts for product signed in 2010 Dimensions (H $ imes$ W $ imes$ D)/Weight Analytical method or technology or enzyme system used	$\begin{array}{l} \\ 0.37 \times 1.40 \times 1.12 \text{ in/<5 g} \\ \text{glucose oxidase} \end{array}$		$-\!$
No. of disposable reag Disposable units shelf	ent system units per basic package i life/Reagent unit storage requirements	4 Sof-sensors per box, 4 Sen-serters per box 6 months/non-refrigeration 36°–80°F (2°–27°C)	50 strips per vial and 100 per box 24 months from date of manufacture/none	50 strips per vial 18 months/36–86°F, do not freeze
Digital readout charac	ter size/Keypad input capability	no patient monitor interface/blinded glucose values, retrospective data/none	varies and is defined by the particular field/numeric,	
		renospective data/none		

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Name of instrument/First year sold	AccuData GTS, 1994; AccuData GTS Plus, 2000	ACCU-CHEK Inform System/2001
Professional or home use Total units sold outside U.S. No. of contracts for product signed in 2010 Dimensions (H $ imes$ W $ imes$ D)/Weight	professional 40,000*/5,000 — 11 × 8.75 × 4 in/5 lb	professional 67,000/10,000 — 1.4 × 3.8 × 7.6 in/12 oz
Analytical method or technology or enzyme system used	biosensor-glucose dehydrogenase	biosensor—glucose dehydrogenase
No. of disposable reagent system units per basic package Disposable units shelf life/Reagent unit storage requirements	50 strips per vial 18 months, stable until expiration on vial/<90°F, do not freeze	50 test strips 18 months, stable until expiration date on vial/room temperature less than 90°F, do not freeze
Digital readout character size/Keypad input capability	4 lines by 20 characters LCD/menu selection, numeric	font size varies/menu selection, numeric, alphabetic
How results are displayed Specimen types/Sampling techniques Minimum specimen volume required Suitable for samples from well neonates/Sick neonates Time from sample introduction to result availability Batteries used/No. used/Average life of one set of batteries Average expected life of device/Mean time between failures Device warranty/Service options/Loaners provided	true values whole blood/arterial, venous, capillary, neonate (including cord blood) 4 µL yes/yes 26 seconds 3-V lithium/2/~700 tests 5 years/— AccuData GTS Plus/GTS system will be free from defects in materials and workmanship through life of Accu-Chek Comfort Curve test strip contract; overnight replacement, according to warranty policy, is available	true values whole blood/arterial, venous, capillary, neonate (including cord blood) 4 µL yes/yes 26 seconds 3.7-V rechargeable lithium ion/1/5 years 5 years/— Free from defects in materials and workmanship through life of the Comfort Curve test strip contract; overnight replacement, according to warranty policy, is available 24/7, 365 days per year/replaced under
	24 hours, 7 days, all year/replaced under warranty	warranty
User list or user group Toll-free No. for customer questions/Hours of operation Training and certification program/No. of training days provided Average time for lab to complete maintenance	yes (contact local account manager) 800-440-3638/24 hours, 7 days, all year yes/site-specific according to No. of employees —	yes (contact local account manager) 800-440-3638/24 hours, 7 days, all year yes/site-specific according to No. of employees —
Internal QC recommended or required Between instrument CV (based on PT) at the following glucose levels: • <50 mg/dL • 100–200 mg/dL • >400 mg/dL • Program name, year/Challenge No./Level of mean glucose challenge sample	daily, two levels — — — — — —	daily, two levels of glucose control solutions — — — — — —
Accuracy/Compared to what reference method or device	y=0.991x + 8.4, r=0.980/glucose hexokinase-Hitachi	y=0.991x + 8.4, r=0.980/glucose hexokinase- Hitachi
Precision/Compared to what reference method or device Linear range Suggested dynamic or measurement range Contraindications Known interferences/High-altitude interference Restrictions based on hematocrit Electronic and optical function checks Sample quantity checks When auto lock or shutdown occurs User defines QC lockout intervals/QC lockout can be circumvented Information for which device supports bar-code scanning Method of analyst ID/ID required Internal memory size/Maximum No. of patient results stored	controls: low SD=2.83 mg/dL, mid CV=3.08%, high CV=2.82%; blood: low SD=1.5 mg/dL, mid CV=3.2%, high CV=3.2%/glucose hexokinase 10–600 mg/dL 10–600 mg/dL per labeling per labeling per labeling per labeling/none up to 10,150 feet yes, glucose <200 mg/dL, 20–65%; glucose >200, 20–55% meter cradle communication with Advantage meter, GTS with code key, battery voltage test, internal database memory check, internal configuration check built-in electronic strip check, visual confirmation of sample volume user ID failure (valid operator), QC failure, patient ID length, incorrect code key, incorrect Advantage meter yes/yes (information management system identifies operators who violate hospital policy) operator and patient identifiers, comment codes numeric input or bar-code wand scan/yes 1,000 total patient, control, linearity, proficiency tests/1,000	controls: low SD=2.8 mg/dL, mid CV=3.1%, high CV=2.8%; blood: low SD=1.5 mg/dL, mid CV=3.2%, high CV=3.2%/glucose hexokinase 10–600 mg/dL 10–600 mg/dL per labeling per labeling per labeling per labeling/none up to 10,150 feet yes, glucose <200 mg/dL 20–65%; glucose >200 mg/dL 20–65%; meter with code key, battery voltage test, internal database memory check, internal configuration check built-in electronic strip check, visible verification of sample volume user ID failure, QC failure, download interval lockout, patient ID length, reagent editing, mandatory comments, incorrect/missing code key, time, and data editing yes/no (optional QC pass/fail feature) operator and patient identifiers, reagent lot Nos. alphanumeric or bar-code scan/yes 4,000 results/4,000 tests
Meter connections for information transfer How meters are connected to external system to upload results Information contained in transmission to external system	information management system, which connects with LIS-HIS direct serial/—, hospital network/— device-unique identifiers, operator and patient IDs, results, QC identifiers, strip lot Nos., download location, comment codes, proficiency and linearity samples	information management system, which connects with LIS-HIS direct serial/—, hospital network/— device-unique identifiers, operator and patient IDs, results, strip lot Nos., QC identifiers, proficiency and linearity samples, comments, meter location, download location
Hardware/Software for data-management system	MAS RALS portfolio	MAS RALS portfolio; Cobas IT 1000 application for connection into third-party DMS, including Telcor
No. of different management reports system can produce Contents downloaded from DMS to meter	varies by Data Manager (customer defined) strip and QC lot Nos., valid operator IDs, valid control values, linearity values	QML varies by Data Manager (customer defined) QC and strip lot numbers, valid control values, valid operator and patient IDs, meter configuration, linearity lot numbers and values, comments
LISs/HISs to which system is connected (live installs) using: • Screen animation/screen scraping • Standard HL7 interface	Cerner, Misys, McKesson, Meditech, SoftLab, Siemens, SIA Molis, others**	Cerner, Meditech, Misys, CPSI, SoftLab, Siemens, McKesson, others** yes
Proprietary protocol interface Proprietary protocol interface Use 3rd-party interfacing tool or engine for LIS or HIS interfaces LOINC can be used to identify tests when communicating with LIS	yes (MAS)	yes (MAS or Telcor QML) yes
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Distinguishing features (supplied by company)

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proven bi-directional network connection from AccuData GTS/GTS plus to LIS/HIS; ADT data interface with RALS-Plus/DataCare POC: uses Accu-Chek Comfort Curve test strip; universal sampling due to oxygen-independent chemistry, with reliable results at varying hematocrit levels

*combined AccuData GTS and AccuData GTS Plus sales **both scripted/HL7 are available

uses Accu-Chek Comfort Curve test strip; universal sampling due to oxygen-independent chemistry, reliable results at varying hematocrit levels; alphanumeric touchscreen, onboard bar-code ID, and MAS RALS portfolio and other flexible connectivity options, including ADT feed; extends quality of blood glucose programs to six other point-of-care tests **both scripted/HL7 are available depending on LIS version