## **Blood banking centrifuges, 9/16**

**September 2016**—Thermo Scientific introduced two large-capacity blood banking centrifuge models. For regularto medium-throughput blood processing needs, the Sorvall BP 8 and Heraeus Cryofuge 8 centrifuges provide  $6 \times 550$  mL blood bag capacity and, using the same bucket system, are upgradeable to  $8 \times 550$  mL bags. The Sorvall BP 16 and Heraeus Cryofuge 16 centrifuges are designed for high-throughput blood processing with  $12 \times 500$  mL capacity and are upgradeable to  $16 \times 500$  mL blood bags with the same bucket selections.

Features of the centrifuges include automatic door and lid function, windshielded rotors, and accumulated centrifugal effect function, which automatically adjusts run time to account for and eliminate acceleration/deceleration variations that could otherwise lead to incomplete separation of platelet. The Centri-Touch interface, with a highly visible, glove-friendly display, simplifies run setup with Thermo Scientific Centri-Cross function to convert the user's existing protocols. The Centri-Vue remote monitoring function allows the user to check run status or see available centrifuges from the mobile app.

All models are CE marked for the Medical Devices Directive 93/41/EEC and are listed with the FDA.

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