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**PillPick to Strengthen Patient Safety at Canada's London Health Science Centre**

DENVER, Colo. (July 22, 2010) – [Swisslog](#), a leading provider of automated materials transport and pharmacy automation solutions for hospitals, today announced that London Health Sciences Centre in London, Ontario, Canada, has selected PillPick for its pharmacy automation needs.

[PillPick](#) automatically bar codes, packages, stores and dispenses individual doses of medications. PillPick can hold more than 53,000 unit doses in its [DrugNest](#) until needed for a patient. When requested, the unit doses are automatically assembled onto a thin plastic ring called a PickRing. The [PickRing](#) contains all the medications for the patient for a 24-hour period. It is barcoded so that it can be scanned bedside for verification before administration.

“We researched the robots available in the marketplace and determined that PillPick was the superior automation solution,” said Pharmacy Operations Manager Ian McKechnie. “We are confident that the new robot will further increase the safety of each patient receiving medication from our pharmacy.”

Installation is expected to be completed during the Fall of 2010.

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Unlike most pharmacy robots on the market today, PillPick is fully automated. All packaging, barcoding, storage and dispensing are done within the robot virtually eliminating the chance for error because they are no human touches.

PillPick is a member of Swisslog's Automated Drug Management Systems (ADMS) product family. Other ADMS products include BoxPicker, ATP High-Speed Packager Series, and Inventory Management Software. Collectively, these pharmacy automation solutions streamline and optimize the operations of both in-patient and out-patient hospital pharmacies. From the packaging of bulk medications to storage, dispensing and logistics, Swisslog's ADMS products help hospitals reduce or eliminate costly medication errors while improving the speed and efficiency of the drug supply chain.

Swisslog Healthcare Solutions is the leading supplier of logistics automation solutions for healthcare facilities. Swisslog has installed automated materials transport and pharmacy automation systems in more than 3,000 hospitals around the world, including more than 2,000 in North America. Swisslog offers total systems design, manufacturing, installation and customer support providing a complete supply chain management approach to the logistics challenges of hospitals. The North American division of Swisslog Healthcare Solutions is based in Denver, Colo.

### **About London Health Sciences Centre**

London Health Sciences Centre has been at the forefront of medicine in Canada for 135 years and offers the broadest range of specialized clinical services in Ontario. Building on the traditions of its founding hospitals to provide compassionate care in an academic teaching setting, London Health Sciences Centre is home to Children's Hospital, South Street Hospital, University Hospital, Victoria Hospital, two family medical centers, and Lawson Health Research Institute. As a leader in medical discovery and health research, London Health Sciences Centre has a history of over 30 international and national firsts and attracts top clinicians and researchers from around the world. As a regional referral center, London Health Sciences Centre cares for the most medically complex patients, including critically injured adults and children in Southwestern Ontario and beyond. The hospital's 10,000 staff, physicians, students and volunteers provide care for more than one million patient visits a year. For more information, visit [www.lhsc.on.ca](http://www.lhsc.on.ca).

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## **About Swisslog**

Swisslog is a global provider of integrated logistics solutions for warehouses, distribution centers and hospitals. Its comprehensive services portfolio ranges from building complex warehouses and distribution centers to implementing Swisslog's own software to intra-company logistics solutions for hospitals.

Swisslog's solutions optimize customers' production, logistics and distribution processes in order to increase flexibility, responsiveness and quality of service while minimizing logistics costs. With years of experience in the development and implementation of integrated logistics solutions, Swisslog provides the expertise that customers in more than 50 countries rely on.

Headquartered in Buchs/Aarau, Switzerland, Swisslog currently employs over 2,000 staff in about 20 countries worldwide. The group's parent company, Swisslog Holding AG, is listed on the SIX Swiss Exchange (security number: 1232462, Telekurs: SLOG, Reuters: SLOG.S). For more information, visit [www.swisslog.com](http://www.swisslog.com).

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