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Winner of an Alufoil Trophy 2008

Hygiene development is a winner

Winner of an Alufoil Trophy 2008 Protective Packaging's laminated foil pouch for sterile wipes provides evidence of the major role aluminium foil plays in healthcare markets.

Produced by Protective Packaging and designed by Agma, the Sterile Zyceine Wipes are a two-compartmented pack containing a sporicidal disinfectant for use in sterile environments in the hospitals and other parts of the healthcare sector.

The AGMA multipart chemical system allows a potent sporicide (essential in the destruction of *Clostridium difficile* and other pathogens) to be generated in small, useful quantities at point of use. The compartments maintain the individual integrity of the two essential reagents during packing, gamma-ray sterilisation, delivery and storage.



At point of use, the vulnerable seal is ruptured and both the reagents and wipes mixed together. The alufoil layer in the triplex laminate - PET, alufoil and PE with selective sealing properties - provides the essential protection needed.

In the face of growing concerns about the MRSA, the laminated foil pouch ensures that regulations requiring sterility at point of use are met.

“Hygiene is of critical importance in hospitals where ‘super bugs’ are a cause for concern. The pack helps meet regulations,” said Head Judge Arne Russ, purchasing director of confectionery specialist August Storck.

“Dedicated to our industry we pride ourselves on discovering Barrier Foil packaging solutions, however challenging or complex,” Simon Jolly, Sales director, Protective Packaging.

The annual Alufoil Trophy is organised by the European Aluminium Foil Association.

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