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### NEW MEDICAL ALARMS USE FASCIA'S THAT REDUCE THE GROWTH AND SPREAD OF BACTERIA IN HOSPITALS

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Fascia Graphics Limited, the market leader for the production of membrane keypads in the printed graphics industry has teamed up with MEDÆS, the world's leading supplier of medical gas equipment to produce the first range of Medical Gas Area Alarms with graphic overlays that inhibit the growth of potentially harmful bacteria. Manufactured at Fascia Graphics' purpose built factory in Chippenham, these unique graphic overlays reduce MRSA, Salmonella Enteritidis, Escherichia Coli and Listeria Monocytogenes.



MEDÆS' new range includes the Medipoint 26 Area Alarm and Medipoint 125 Central Alarm, both of which use graphic overlays manufactured by Fascia Graphics. The graphic overlays are manufactured from a new material, Autotex AM with Microban antimicrobial protection. This unique substrate has been specially designed by Autotype International for any hygiene critical surface application, where preventing the growth and spread of bacteria is essential.

Autotex AM with Microban allows Fascia Graphics and MEDÆS to provide hospitals with the first graphic overlays and membrane keypads which incorporate built-in Microban® Antimicrobial protection. Microban® Antimicrobial technology is incorporated into the Autotex textured hard coat during the manufacturing process, ensuring an even distribution of the antimicrobial agent throughout the texture and film surface.

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This effectively guarantees surface protection throughout the lifetime of the product. Hygiene Critical Applications that will benefit from this unique new product include membrane switches, fascia panels, wall coverings, shelf covers and worktops

Paul Bennett, Founder and Managing Director of Fascia Graphics Limited commented: "Research has proven that hand contact with contaminated surfaces can rapidly transfer bacteria to other surfaces as well as individuals. We have worked closely with MEDÆS from the product development stage to ensure that the medical industry is supplied with the highest quality Medical Gas Alarms, which also inhibit the growth of potentially harmful bacteria."

Ben Johnson, Product Manager of MEDÆS commented: "Medipoint is the first Medical Gas Alarm system in the UK to benefit from Autotex AM antimicrobial protection. Our alarms are fitted in operating theatres and intensive care units where some of the most vulnerable immunosuppressed patients are treated and cared for. Adding Microban protection is the ideal solution to help our customers in the fight against hospital acquired infections."

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### Fascia Graphics

Established in 1994, Fascia Graphics Limited is a privately owned company based in Chippenham, Wiltshire. The company utilises the latest technologies and techniques for the manufacture of membrane keypads, overlays, labels and associated products to BS EN ISO 9001:2000 quality standards. The company works with leading players in the medical, fire and safety industry.

### About MEDÆS

MEDÆS is a global leader in providing medical gas delivery systems enabling patients to receive ever higher levels of care. With more than 40 years experience in the design, manufacture, supply, installation and servicing of medical gas systems, together with our full accreditation to ISO 13485, our customers are guaranteed to receive the highest quality products with a professional service.

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