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Product News

Latest offerings and announcements

Cork-testing system

Amorim Cork America and Portocork are now offering premium natural corks that have gone through automated, individual quality screening with Amorim's new NDtech system. The process employs "fast chromatography" to analyze each cork in seconds, and any cork with a level of TCA of more than 0.5 nanograms per liter is automatically rejected. amorimca.com



Assay for bacteria

Veriflow released a new assay, vino-PAL, which tests for the presence of Pediococcus and Lactobacillus with the company's proprietary PCR technology. Similar to the company's vinoBRETT test, the kits are designed to provide results in less than a few hours to determine if bacteria are present and to what degree. The tests can be used to



proactively manage problems with wine lots or barrels and minimize the effects of spoilage organisms. invisiblesentinel.com

Dhea membrane presses

Vintner's Vault is now offering Dhea presses. Produced by Italian manufacturer Enomet, Dhea presses feature a central membrane bladder and offer faster press cycles, higher yields at lower pressures, uniform press pressure and less heavy tannins. The Dhea has five connected drip channels and a patented system to provide variable positioning for loading, pressing and unloading. Hydraulics in the supporting legs of the press enable the operator to raise or lower the machine to make filling and emptying guicker and more uniform. The Dhea also features an internal system for washing and sanitizing that eliminates the need for a worker to enter the press. thevintnervault.com

UV label printing

Monvera Glass Décor is now offering ultraviolet (UV) printing op-



tions for its line of screen-printed labels. UV printing enables the supplier to offer a wider range of colors, four-color printing and new, specialty inks. The new process also enables Monvera to screen print photos in a four-color printing process. monvera.com

ArdeaSeal closures now available in U.S.

The ArdeaSeal wine closure produced by Italian firm Coro Développement is now available in the United States through Bouchard Cooperages. The closure is comprised of a rigid core covered by a body of soft thermoplastic elastomers and a plastic "shield" at the end of the closure that is in contact with wine. The core maintains the closure's shape and



seal, while the shield prevents any chance of contamination, and the body

facilitates the closure's removal with a corkscrew. The ArdeaSeal is available in different colors and can be customized with graphics and images. ardeaseal.com

Espritbonnet screwcap

Tecnocap unveiled its new Espritbonnet screwcap closure for the wine industry. The Espritbonnet is a two-piece cap that is wrapped with a metal shell of tin or aluminum. The cap is available in different colors and can be customized with graphics or embossing. According to the supplier, Espritbonnet's unique design combines the functionality of a plastic cap with the appearance of a metal closure. tecnocapclosures.com

Secure capsule by SICPA

SICPA launched a new capsule featuring "multi-layered security solutions to fight counterfeiting, diversion and adulteration." Compatible with polylaminate capsules and capsule makers' existing equipment, SICPA's secure capsule uses patented colorshifting properties for overt authentication with the naked eye. A semi-covert feature, SIC-PA's invisible fluorescent security is revealed through certain types and frequencies of light. Covert security is incorporated as an invisible taggant detected only with



the help of a proprietary device. Machine-readable datamatrix or QR codes with serialization components can be printed on capsules to act as a unique identifier for each unit and provide trackand-trace capabilities. This technology is compatible with inkjet printers and can be authenticated via proprietary devices or smartphones. sicpa.com

Minerality by T.W. Boswell

T.W. Boswell released the Minerality barrel, which is the latest addition to its Cool Climate series. The Minerality barrel is produced with 36-month aged, extra-fine grain oak from T.W. Boswell's Special Reserve premium wood selection. Launched in 2013, the Cool Climate series barrels are designed to help express wine's terroir "while adding a light touch of oak, firm structure and a crisp, steely finish." twboswell.com

Foudres and upright vats by Allary

Allary is offering an expanded line of large-format oak vessels made at its

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new facility in France. The cooper produces 10-60 hectoliter capacity foudres and fermentation vats with capacities from 300 to 600 hectoliters. The foudres and vats are available with several custom options and are all produced with high-quality wood from France's national forest system. tonnellerie-allary.com

Pressure system for tank lids

French supplier GD Industries unveiled a new system to maintain the proper air pressure of the inner tube on lids of variable-capacity wine tanks. The company's control box features multiple outlets for different tanks and allows a winemaker to inflate, deflate or maintain the correct pressure of a tank. In the event a tank lid seal loses pressure, the control box will automatically provide constant air pressure to maintain the seal. gd-industries.fr

New Lift'n Buddy lift

The LNB-2 by Lift'n Buddy is the company's latest two-wheel hand truck with a powered lift function. The unit's platform can lift loads of up to 200 pounds and 37 inches high at the push of a button to eliminate any bending or stretching when manipulating heavy loads. Lifting speed is 4 inches per second, and the manufacturer reports the unit's belt drive is "extremely" quiet. Two 12-volt rechargeable batteries provide power. liftnbuddy.com

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