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## New Sphergo<sup>®</sup> Swivel: Innovative Mop Handle Eases Wrist Strain

Ease of motion, better reach make life easier for cleaning professionals

CLEVELAND—April 27, 2022—Repetitive stress injuries (RSIs) are a hazard of working as a professional cleaner, but it doesn't have to be this way. Hospeco Brands Group, which comprises Acute Care, Adenna<sup>®</sup>, HOSPECO<sup>®</sup>, Nilodor<sup>®</sup>, and other popular brands, continues to improve working conditions for these vital members of the workforce with the new Sphergo<sup>®</sup> line of ergonomic surface cleaning tools, specially designed to reduce RSIs.

A common technique for floor cleaning is to walk backwards with a mop while using a figure eight or S-motion to wipe the floor. Achieving this pattern with a traditional straight mop requires excessive and repetitive wrist movement — first twisting the mop handle repeatedly and then repeatedly changing rotation. Hospeco Brands Group's new Sphergo Swivel, with patented Sphergo Ball Handle and curved pole design, achieves the same motion with minimum exertion — in fact, it can be achieved with one finger.

The Sphergo Swivel pole features a rotating Sphergo Ball Handle at the top. With one hand on the ball, users can generate a "swivel" motion guided by the second hand on the pole. The user's hand on the ball remains completely fixed, reducing flex and stress. The specially designed pole also includes a curve near its base

that further contributes to the mop head's movement. The rotation of the Sphergo Ball and the curve at the pole's base combine to create a fluidity of mop head movement with very little effort being exerted by the user.

Sphergo Swivel's curved pole allows for farther reach underneath low-clearance obstructions like beds, chairs, and desks relative to a traditional straight mop while eliminating awkward bending. The slope of the handle base uniquely positions handle, frame, and body in a less stressful posture. Its aluminum frame is light and durable for comfortable extended use. The trapezoidal shape allows for easier access into corners and along baseboards, further reducing strain.

Pair Sphergo Swivel with Hospeco Brands Group's Virtu-Clean VCU and Virtu-Clean DC disposable cleaner pads or Virtu-Clean DCS disposable scrubber pad for even more effective cleaning and less worker strain. Virtu-Clean VCU disposable single-use pads are non-quat binding, with an embossed design for reduced friction and bonded edges to improve performance by greatly reducing linting concerns. It has a higher absorption rate (900%) and greater cleaning coverage (up to 360 square feet) than comparable competing brands. Its non-woven backing minimizes lint, keeps cost down, and makes VCU an ideal choice for floor mopping. These specially engineered pads reduce friction while maximizing cleaning results and coverage area. Pads sold separately. The Sphergo Swivel's pole and base combination can be used with any 18" to 20" disposable or reusable microfiber flat pad.

Workers who suffer RSIs lose an average of more than a week of work per incident. Cleaning professionals are more likely to "tough it out," but this can cause reduced productivity and poor performance. Sphergo Surface Cleaning Tools form an ergonomic cleaning system made with the health and safety of cleaning professionals in mind, designed to reduce repetitive motions, prolonged stretching and stooping, and unnecessary climbing that can put workers in harm's way. Cleaning is obviously hard work, but providing tools that make it easier on the body is clearly important for employees over the long-term. Sphergo Swivel mop handle is a worthy addition to this mission-focused product line. The end result is a circle of products that dramatically minimizes wrist motions, repeated torso flexion, and straining movements.

For more information, visit https://www.hospecobrands.com/products/5637172327.

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