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Familiar, yet completely different: The alternative opening for strip packs

A well-known risk for children is the accidental ingestion of medication that isn't intended for them. This can have dire consequences. To prevent accidents like this, the packaging needs to be completely safe.

At the same time, however, elderly people must be able to open stick packs, sachets and strip packs without help from others in order to take their medication. Therein lies the dilemma: pharmaceutical packaging that is both easy and difficult to open – it's a paradox, but a paradox that can be solved!

Huhtamaki presented its solution for the first time at Pharmapack 2018: the Push Tab[®] material for strip packs makes it easy to remove tablets simply by applying pressure. Featuring top barrier properties and various seal layers, the revolutionary material from Huhtamaki offers the option of a child-safe packaging solution.

The barrier properties are not affected in any way as a result of pushing through the film and guarantee the highest levels of product safety. The risk of migration is also very low, as an extrusion-laminated and coated laminate that does not contain any solvents is used. Based on the typical market specification of PET-PE-Alu-PE/Surlyn, Push Tab[®] offers completely new ways of opening strip packs.

Different versions and forms ensure adequate market differentiation and are an interesting alternative to blister or cold-form applications. During development, Huhtamaki filed a patent for this method of opening.

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