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Durham-Based Parata Systems Acquires Business Unit of McKesson

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DURHAM, N.C. – Parata Systems, which has developed automated solutions for pharmacy order fulfillment, has acquired “substantially all” the assets of the Automated Prescription Systems business unit of McKesson Corporation.

Financial terms were not disclosed.

Parata will integrate McKesson products into its lineup of offerings. As part of the agreement, McKesson will become a sales lead for Parata in the United States and a distributor in Canada and Mexico.

Also, McKesson will assume two seats on the board of directors at Parata.

According to Parata, less than 10 percent of the retail pharmacies in the U.S. utilize automation.

Parata, which was launched in 2001, offers a robotic dispensing system that is capable of counting 100 tablets per second and filling as many as 154 prescriptions in an hour.

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