InvMan – Inventory Management system for the clinical laboratory

InvMan is a computerized inventory management system designed for the clinical laboratory. The InvMan system is installed on a server and any PC on the network can access InvMan allowing multiple inventory, purchasing, reporting and equipment processes to be accessed simultaneously. Some of the InvMan benefits are listed below.

**Operational benefits**

- Complete database of all reagents & supplies with links to package insert, current SOP and SDS (MSDS).
- Use of vendor reagent barcodes and portable scanner to automate the inventory counting process.
- Worklists to help organize reagents and supplies into logical groups for inventory processing.
- Ability to perform periodic count of inventory and/or perpetual in/out inventory system.
- Log on alerts: reagent lot numbers due to expire, reagents at their re-order level and instrumentation/equipment due for a service visit.
- Analytic reports for budget preparation, negotiations with vendors, etc. Reports cover many areas including:
  - Cost of stock on hand by vendor, by department or all vendors in the lab.
  - Expenses per defined time period per vendor or per department.
- Automatic generation of purchase requisition/order based upon reagent re-order point.
- Complete instrument/equipment database for tracking service events.
- Links to instrument service records from vendor field service representative.
- Full instrument/equipment life cycle database providing immediate and accurate information regarding instrument implementation, upgrades and replacements.
- Maintain regulatory compliance: CAP GEN.61900 & GEN.85100 requiring an effective supply inventory control system; Joint Commission CAMLAB EC.02.04.01 The laboratory manages laboratory equipment risks; 42 CFR 493.1252; CLSI QSE; ISO 15189.

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Management benefits

- Reduce wastage by identifying and using reagents before they are due to expire.
- Order the right amount at the right time and reduce overnight shipping charges.
- Reduce level of reagents and supplies on-hand due to real-time oversight.
- Reduce staff time for reagent orders, shipment receipt and determining in-stock levels.
- Automate the generation of purchase requisitions and orders.
- Analyze reagent and supply expense and usage per time, per vendor, per department per instrument, per workbench, etc.
- Track instrument and equipment service visits and have direct link to service report.
- Prepare expense analysis for budget preparations and for negotiations with vendors.
- Track distribution of reagents and supplies to off-site locations (POC sites, draw stations).
- Free unlimited technical support (phone and email).
- Annual upgrades (optional) are $250 to $500 depending on the extent of the upgrade.

Information Systems requirements with InvMan

- Installation wizard to install InvMan on the server and then map any client PC on the network to run InvMan.
- InvMan can be installed on any server including a simple file-sharing server.
- SQL software is not required for application management.
- The InvMan application requires approximately 10 MB of space.
- Barcode scanner and label printer connect via USB ports.

Summary

- InvMan can reduce FTE and reagent expenses in clinical laboratories.
- InvMan is a cost effective solution for laboratory reagent and supply management duties.
- InvMan is supplied as a one-time license fee and no restriction on the number of users.
- Log on alerts prompt staff to use reagents before expiration, to order when needed and to ensure instrument and equipment maintenance is complete and documented.
- Comprehensive management reports for analysis and budgeting with >30 preset reports and a query wizard.
- Equipment and instrument database tracking service and life cycle for all instrumentation.

Schedule a web demo to see how InvMan can streamline, automate and organize your reagent and supply management functions.
See how operating expenses can be reduced by automating reagent management.
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