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The case of the DRX-1 was largely clear glass so that the entire mechanism could be viewed. The DRX progressed in its appearance to a modern look of the DRX-3, which continues to be manufactured and sold today. The DRX-3 has a metal case which encloses the mechanism, and a transparent plastic cover which serves as both a wind shield and a dust shield. The DRX-3 is a true Balance in that mechanical weights can be used to balance out the weight of the unknown. The balance also has a calibrated spring and dial mechanism that allows the user to bring the scale to balance by using the finely calibrated dial. The balance condition is indicated on a sensitive null meter in the center of the instrument.

The technique of presetting a desired weight and then compounding by watching a null meter to detect when the desired amount of an ingredient has been placed on the balance has the very great advantage of eliminating the need to remember the desired quantity, and making all weights look the same (at null).

TORBAL always strives to offer the ultimate compounding experience for pharmacies around the country. Our scales can be found in thousands of Pharmacies in the United States as well as in Hospitals, VA Clinics and top Pharmacy schools, Colleges and Universities, where they are used to teach and train pharmacy students.

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Torbald now offers the pharmacy scale in digital electronic versions which are designated the DRX-4 Series and the DRX-5 Series, both of which are available with pill counting capabilities, prescription verification, but most importantly follow the tradition of easy and precise compounding capabilities. There are a number of different scales in each series that offer different options based upon similar platforms.

The DRX-5 Series offers unsurpassed compounding features, such as the digital simulation of an analog null meter which gives the pharmacist the fill to null capability, and recipe storage for future compounding. It also offers a filling meter which lets the user watch the filling progress toward the desired cutoff point. This filling meter gets more sensitive as the cutoff count is approached to aid in achieving an exact cutoff. In addition, there is a remaining to fill digital display which shows the actual weight required to reach the cutoff point (this display always reads zero at the cutoff point). The DRX-5 Series also allows the user to label the ingredients used in compounding, store the ingredients used in a recipe and print the entire recipe out. If that weren't enough, the 5's also feature on-screen instructions and automatic internal calibration with both time and temperature changes. The DRX-500s is simply the finest pharmacy scale in the market and the one of the least expensive forms of pharmacy automation.