

# COLBERT PACKAGING ENHANCES QUALITY AND EFFICIENCY WITH LEARYVIEW PRINT SOLUTION POWERED BY EYEC

Colbert Packaging, Kenosha, WI, USA, a leader in the pharmaceutical and healthcare packaging industry, needed a robust solution to ensure defect-free shipments, improve operational efficiency, and maintain compliance with industry standards.

To address these challenges, the company integrated the LearyVIEW Print Solution, powered by EyeC and W. H. Leary, into its production processes. This case study explores how this investment transformed Colbert Packaging's quality control, efficiency, and market positioning.



Nick Stober, Director of Quality Systems and Compliance, from Colbert Packaging highlighted, **“We needed a system that could scan products before shipment. It is especially important before a shipment makes a journey overseas - ensuring defects are caught early and prevent costly returns. With pharmaceutical and healthcare customers requiring precise defect detection, the need for a reliable vision system became crucial.”**

## THE CHALLENGE

**Colbert Packaging sought a vision system that could:**

- Detect and eliminate defective products before shipment.
- Prevent costly returns from overseas customers.
- Meet stringent industry requirements for defect scanning
- Improve operational efficiency through automation.
- Gain an advantage in the pharmaceutical packaging market.

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## THE SOLUTION: LEARYVIEW PRINT SOLUTION WITH EYE C INSPECTION

Colbert Packaging partnered with W. H. Leary to implement the LearyVIEW Print Solution due to its:

- Seamless integration with existing Leary gluing systems.
- Advanced print defect detection with EyeC's 100% inspection.
- Maximum range of carton sizes and styles transferred with ease.
- Compact 18-inch size, with ability to retro-fit to any gluer.
- Strong technical support and ease of installation.



## KEY BENEFITS & OUTCOMES

### 1 Competitive Advantage and Business Growth

One of the unexpected benefits was its impact on sales. “We’ve used our system as a marketing tool,” said Stober. “It has helped us win business that we might not have secured otherwise.” Large pharmaceutical companies have chosen Colbert Packaging due to its superior inspection capabilities.

### 2 Operational Efficiency and Cost Savings

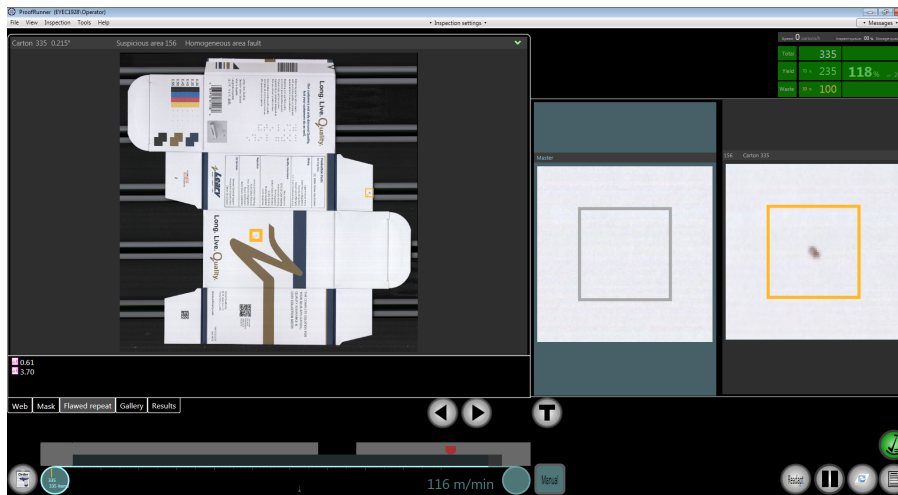
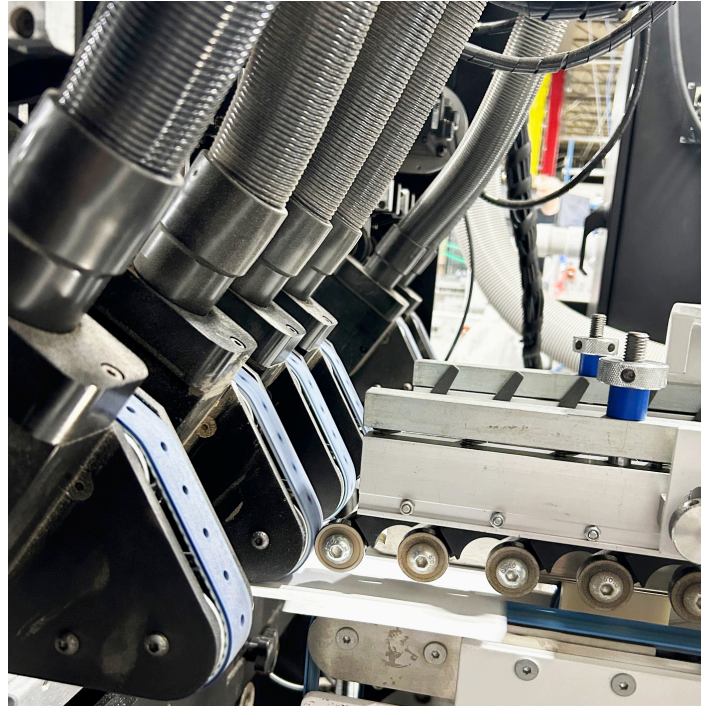
Prior to implementing the vision system, Colbert Packaging, like many other carton producers would run the risk of having to discard entire batches due to an inability to pinpoint specific defects. Stober explained, “In the past, it took a team to sort quality defects. Now, with the LearyVIEW Print inspection system we utilize technology and automation to verify quality standards are achieved.”

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The automated inspection system also allows Colbert to refine upstream processes. For example, adjustments were made to the printing process for certain customers to eliminate recurring defects, leading to significant efficiency gains.

Also, the enhanced flexibility with individual belt adjustments has significantly improved handling of various carton sizes, eliminating previous limitations. The system now accommodates both very wide and very narrow cartons with ease, ensuring precision inspection across all product types.



### 3 Error Prevention and Continuous Improvement

The system acts as a learning tool, enabling Colbert Packaging to identify defects early and implement corrective actions. Jeff Bates, National Sales Manager, W. H. Leary noted, “If you catch something in the middle of your process, you can correct it immediately, avoiding further waste.”

By eliminating the need for human sorting, the system ensures accuracy, speed, and consistency—factors critical to pharmaceutical packaging compliance. Eye C offers 100% inspection for print quality defects including blemishes, missing print and color variation.

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## 4 Return on Investment (ROI) and Sustainability

Wanda Speer explained that the investment has not only improved efficiency but also attracted new business. “Having these systems in place has directly contributed to new business opportunities, both from existing and new customers.”

From a sustainability perspective, reducing waste, minimizing rework, and maximizing workforce efficiency align with Colbert Packaging’s long-term goals.



## 5 Strong Technical Support and Future Expansion

Colbert Packaging was highly satisfied with the technical support provided by Leary and EyeC. Stober explained, “Leary’s service response time is exceptional. With other vendors, we could wait up to two weeks for technical support, but with Leary, we typically receive assistance within 24 hours.”

Looking ahead, Colbert sees a future where every folder gluer in its facility is equipped with a LearyVIEW with EyeC vision system. “I think the market is heading in that direction,” said Stober. “As we look at our sustainability program, reducing rework and waste contributes to additional ROI.”

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