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# IMPORTANT PRODUCT CORRECTION NOTIFICATION

Increased Frequency of Calibration Failures using VITROS® Immunodiagnostic Products Vitamin B12 Reagent Pack 1/2

Dear Customer,

Cc: Chairman Medical Board and relevant Head of Department

This notification provides information regarding the potential increased frequency of calibration failures when using VITROS Vitamin B12 Reagent Packs, <u>Lot 2601</u>. Our records indicate that you were shipped the affected lot.

Affected Product	Product Code (Unique Device Identifier No.)	Affected Lot	Expiry Date
VITROS <sup>®</sup> Immunodiagnostic Products	1453489	Lot 2601	06-APR-2019
Vitamin B12 Reagent Pack 1/2			

#### Investigation

Ortho Clinical Diagnostics confirmed that VITROS Vitamin B12 Reagent Pack 1/2, Lot 2601 exhibits the potential for an increased frequency of calibration failures. When a calibration failure occurs, customers have reported that their VITROS System generated the following condition codes to indicate that the calibrator signal index exceeds the limit:

- For VITROS 3600/5600/XT 7600 Systems: PW7-012 (Calibrator signal index above limit Level %d)
- For VITROS ECi/ECiQ Systems: 542-037 (542-037: Calibration %s Lot %s failed)

Our preliminary testing indicates that the calibration failure is related to a component used during the manufacture of <u>some</u> VITROS Vitamin B12 Reagent Packs 1/2, Lot 2601 and is <u>not</u> associated with VITROS Vitamin B12 Calibrators. **Note**: Not all reagent packs from Lot 2601 are affected.

#### Resolution

Because only a subset of the Reagent Packs are affected and they are not readily identifiable, Ortho will credit your account for your remaining inventory of VITROS Vitamin B12 Reagent Pack 1/2 and Calibrators for Lot 2601. In order to supply product for all customers, product allocation may be necessary.

If your laboratory is able to successfully calibrate Lot 2601 <u>and</u> your quality control results are acceptable; you may continue using your existing inventory until new product arrives. In the interim, you are advised to perform quality control testing on <u>every</u> reagent pack when using Lot 2601.

### Impact to Results

If a successful calibration is obtained, quality control results may not identify this issue. Since not all reagent packs are affected, the table below shows the potential impact to results:

Reagent Pack used for Calibration	Reagent Pack used for Sample Results	Impact to Results	
Unaffected Reagent Pack	Affected Reagent Pack	Positive bias (>20%)	
Affected Reagent Pack	Unaffected Reagent Pack	Negative bias (<20%)	
Affected Reagent Pack	Affected Reagent Pack	No impact	
Unaffected Reagent Pack	Unaffected Reagent Pack	No impact	

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# **REQUIRED ACTIONS**

- Place an order for new product.
- If this lot was successfully calibrated <u>and</u> your quality control results are acceptable; you may continue using your existing inventory of VITROS Vitamin B12 Reagent Pack 1/2 Lot 2601 until new product arrives. We advise that you perform quality control on <u>every</u> reagent pack.
- If this lot cannot be successfully calibrated, contact our Ortho Care™ Technical Solutions Centre.
- Complete the Confirmation of Receipt form and return by September 7, 2018.
- Discontinue using Lot 2601 upon receipt of new product.
- Post this notification by each system that processes VITROS Vitamin B12 Reagent Pack 1/2.
- Forward this notification if the product was distributed outside of your facility.

## **Contact Information**

We apologise for the inconvenience this will cause your laboratory. If you have further questions, please contact your local Ortho representative or our Ortho Care TM Technical Solutions Centre at 1800-5646-766.

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