

# **Urgent Field Safety Notice** *SBN-CPS-2016-007*

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### Partly Damaged AssayTips in Certain Lots of AssayTip/AssayCup

roduct Name	AssayTip/AssayCup
MMI / Part No	12102137001
evice Identifier	
roduction Identifier	15908113
(Lot No./Serial No.)	15909113
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ype of Action	Field Safety Corrective Action (FSCA)
ype of Action	Field Safety Corrective

Dear Valued Customer,

### **Description of Situation**

We regret to inform you that we have identified 12 defective lots (lot numbers as listed above) from the "AssayTip/AssayCup" (material number as listed above). The "AssayTip/AssayCup" is used on the MODULAR *ANALYTICS* E 170 module, **Cobas e** 601 module, **cobas e** 602 module.

During the manufacturing process in one production line for one of our supplier's for the "AssayTip/AssayCup", a misaligned gripper tool for inserting the AssayTips into the AssayTip/AssayCup tray caused damage of some AssayTips. After molding each AssayTip is placed in an AssayTip rack and controlled by a camera (100% check). After this control step the AssayTips are transferred by a gripper unit to the AssayTip/AssayCup tray. While inserting the AssayTips into the AssayTip/AssayCup tray the gripper unit of the concerned production line damaged the AssayTips. The issue started after a maintenance action at one of our supplier's manufacturing line



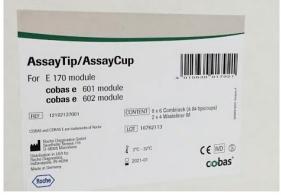
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end of December 2015. The first affected AssayTip/AssayCup lot was distributed from 18. February 2016 onwards. The damage level varies from partly closed to fully closed AssayTips.

Within an affected lot 0.5 – 1% of AssayTips may have damages. Internal investigations revealed that for approximately 75% of the affected AssayTips an alarm message 531 to 555 "Abnormal Sample Aspiration" appears and no sample result is reported. The sample results without any alarms, measured with the approximately 25% affected AssayTips, showed a comparable precision and acceptable deviation in comparison to the results produced with non-affected AssayTips. According to the internal investigations the probability of incorrect results without any flag is low. This is in accordance that no complaints have been received up to now.

The affected lots can easily identified, see pictures below of the AssayTip/AssayCup tray and package:





AssayTip/AssayCup tray

Label of AssayTip/AssayCup package

#### **Actions taken by Roche Diagnostics**

- · All the affected lots have been blocked
- The affected manufacturing line for the concerned supplier has been stopped until the full corrective / preventive actions will be implemented.

#### Actions to be taken by the customer/user

In case if you have any of the affected lots please discard them immediately locally.

#### **Communication of this Field Safety Notice (if appropriate)**

This notice must be passed on to all those who need to be aware within your organization or to any organization/individual where the potentially affected devices have been distributed/supplied.

Please transfer this notice to other organizations/individuals on which this action has an impact.

The undersigned confirms that this notice has been notified to the appropriate Regulatory Agency.



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We apologize for any inconvenience this may cause and hope for your understanding and your support.

Best regards,

#### **Contact Details**

To be completed locally:
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The following statement is mandatory in FSNs for EEA countries but is not required for the rest of World:

*Include if applicable:* The undersigned confirms that this notice has been notified to the appropriate Regulatory Agency.