

Urgent Field Safety Notice

EP-TRACER
FSCA-identifier (2017-04-06)
Device modification

Date: 06.04.2017

Dear Ladies and Gentlemen, customer and partner,

we hereby inform you about a Field Safety Corrective Action for the EP-TRACER.

Details on affected devices:
All EP-TRACER devices.

Description of the problem:

During product testing it was discovered that the parameters for backup pacing can be changed unintentionally by activating stimulation in the software while backup pacing is active. This does not affect the backup pacing protocol, which is always pacing at 60 bpm.

Potential risk:

The identified problem may result in unexpected backup pacing parameters (pulse width, pulse amplitude, delay between output channels, pulse shape), which may be confusing to the user and lead to delayed treatment.

Advise on action to be taken by the user:

- While backup pacing is active the software must not be operated.
- In case of backup pacing disconnect all catheter connection pins and reconnect only the two required for stimulation to the dedicated backup pacing output ports (OUT1 or OUT2).
- If the backup pacing parameters were changed by accident quickly switch backup pacing off and on again to reset the parameters.
- Ensure that the system is only operated by trained users.

Actions planned by CardioTek B.V.

- CardioTek B.V. will provide an amendment to the hardware manual concerning the correct use of the backup pacing functionality to all service partners and customers.
- Optionally an updated software, which prevents accidental change of backup pacing parameters will be made available.

Transmission of this Field Safety Notice:

This notice needs to be passed on to all those who need to be aware within your organisation or to any organisation where the potentially affected devices have been transferred.

Please maintain awareness on this notice and resulting action for an appropriate period to ensure effectiveness of the corrective action.

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The signing person confirms that this notice has been transmitted to the appropriate regulatory agency.



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Feedback Form

Please return this form not later than 30.06.2017 by fax or E-Mail:

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Thank you for your support!

Service partner:	
Contact person:	
Contact person phone:	
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Hospital	City	Device	Serial number	Device in use or scrapped?	Actions taken	Date change implemented
				<input type="checkbox"/> in use <input type="checkbox"/> scrapped	<input type="checkbox"/> amendment provided to customer <input type="checkbox"/> software updated	

Completed by:

Function	Name	Date	Signature