



Sartorius Stedim Biotech GmbH 37070 Goettingen Germany

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**Urgent Field Safety Notice**

**Minisart® NML, REF 16534-----K; LOT 80535103**

**FSCA ID : FSCA-2018-11-12**

**Return of Medical Device to the supplier**

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Date: 2018-11-14

Dear Customer,

**Details on affected devices:**

We delivered one or more packaging units of syringe filter Minisart® NML, article code 16534-----K, lot number 80535103 to you.

**Description of the problem:**

We identified some filters with wrong assembled membranes, i.e. 1.2 µm instead of 0.2 µm pore size. **These devices are not suitable for sterile filtration.**

The error can be detected by performing a post-use bubble point test. If the post-use bubble point test is passed, the corresponding filter is not affected by the quality issue described herein.

Usage of defective filters may result in a non-sterile filtrate that could cause a bacterial infection of the patient.

**Advise on action to be taken by the user:**

- Please identify and quarantine all filters of LOT 80535103. We will exchange them free of charge.
- Please return all filters of LOT 80535103 until **December 7, 2018** to Distribio GmbH, Groner Siekanger 1, 37081 Goettingen, Germany and give the ID Number: **FSCA-2018-11-12**.

Registered Office: Goettingen  
Local Court of Registration:  
Amtsgericht Goettingen  
HRB No. 200266

Managing Directors:  
Uwe Becker,  
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Dr. Joachim Kreuzburg



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- Please review, if an event occurred after patient treatment associated with usage of the affected products and contact the reference person below if this is the case.
- Please inform us, how many filters you have on stock and how many have already been used.
- Please complete the form attached and return it by **December 7, 2018** via email to the referenced contact person.

**Transmission of this Field Safety Notice:**

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

**Contact reference person:**

Dr. Christian Hoffmann, Sartorius Stedim Biotech GmbH, August-Spindler-Str. 11,  
37079 Gottingen, Phone +49 551 308 2406, Email: [christian.hoffmann@sartorius.com](mailto:christian.hoffmann@sartorius.com)


The undersign confirm that this notice has been notified to the appropriate Regulatory Agency.

We apologize for the related inconvenience.

Best regards  
Sartorius Stedim Biotech GmbH  
Site Quality

  
Dr. Hartmut Hennig

Safety Officer Medical Devices

  
Dr. Christian Hoffmann



**Field Safety Corrective Action  
REPLY**

Please complete and return this record by December 7, 2018 to

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Dr. Christian Hoffmann  
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Email: [christian.hoffmann@sartorius.com](mailto:christian.hoffmann@sartorius.com)

Reply Record Completed By:

*(please print name)*

Title:

*(Please print)*

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The above Field Action has been carried out. We have informed all affected customers and have recalled the respective lot numbers.

Return this Response Sheet with the information completed below as confirmation. Objective evidence about the execution of the Field Action is available on demand.

Signature / Date:

Name

Sales Company / Distributor/  
Customer:

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