

**Prolonged PT on Sysmex® CS-2000i/2100i Systems with Thromborel S**  
**Siemens Catalogue and Material Nos. OUHP295 / 10446442 & OUHP495 / 10446445**  
**Sysmex Japan Catalogue and Material Nos. OUHP295J / 10469932 & OUHP495J / 1046993**

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Dear valued customer,

Our records indicate that you may use a Sysmex CS-2000i or Sysmex CS-2100i System for determination of Prothrombin Time (PT) and related coagulation factors with Thromborel S.

Our investigations have confirmed that with Sysmex CS-2000i and CS-2100i Systems the last (up to 4) measurements out of a Thromborel S vial might be erroneously prolonged (longer PT sec., lowered % of Norm, increased INR). This might occur if the reagent in the vial is nearly used up and has been placed on board of the Sysmex CS-2000i/CS-2100i Systems for more than 4 hours. Please note that other systems are not affected.

Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics is conducting a voluntary field corrective action. Your local Siemens representative will contact you as soon as a technical solution is available. In the meantime please be advised to mix the reagent carefully every 4 hours.

As the coagulation status changes over the time a look back is not recommended.

Please distribute this information to all appropriate personnel in your laboratory, retain a copy in your files and forward this information to all parties that may use this product including others to whom you may have transferred the affected reagent for use on the above mentioned Sysmex CS-2000i/CS-2100i Systems.

If you have any questions or need assistance please contact your local Siemens representative.

The Bundesinstitut für Arzneimittel und Medizinprodukte (BfArM) has been notified of this action.

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We apologize for any inconvenience that this situation has caused. Thank you for your patience and continued support.

Sincerely yours,

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**This response form is to confirm receipt of the enclosed Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics Urgent Field Safety Notice dated February 2013 regarding a/m Issue. Please read each question and indicate the appropriate answer. Fax this completed form to Siemens Healthcare diagnostics at the fax number indicated at the bottom of this page.**

1. Did your facility receive a field correction letter from Siemens Healthcare Diagnostics regarding \_\_\_\_\_ Yes  No

[This question is necessary only if the Effectiveness Check Letter is mailed separately from the FCA Letter]

2. Did we effectively communicate all necessary information? Yes  No

3. Do you now have any of the noted product on hand? (Please check inventories before answering.) Yes  No

4. If the answer to the question above is Yes, do you intend to take the recommended action as requested? Yes  No

Name of person completing questionnaire:

Title:

Institution:

Instrument Serial Number:

Street:

City:

State:

Phone:

**PLEASE FAX THIS COMPLETED FORM TO THE TECHNICAL SOLUTIONS CENTER AT  
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