

Date Issued **June 2017**

Affected Product

Name (Unique Identifier No.)	Product Code	Affected Generations (GENs)
VITROS® Chemistry Products PHYT Slides (10758750004690)	8298671	This issue affects expired, current (in date) and future product GENs.

Issue

The purpose of this notification is to inform you that Ortho Clinical Diagnostics (Ortho) determined that negatively biased results may occur when processing citrate plasma samples using VITROS Chemistry Products PHYT Slides.

As a result, citrate plasma is now not a recommended specimen type for VITROS PHYT Slides.

Investigation

Our internal testing confirmed negatively biased patient results using VITROS PHTY Slides for citrate plasma samples. The majority of the bias may be attributed to the dilution effect of the liquid anticoagulant in the citrate plasma tubes with the sample.

Serum and/or heparin plasma samples obtained from the same patients did not exhibit biased results.

Impact to PHYT Results

The average negative bias observed using citrate plasma samples when compared to serum samples is approximately 18% across the PHYT reportable measuring range of 11.88–158.40 µmol/L (3.00–40.00 µg/mL).

Discuss any concerns you may have regarding previously reported results with your Laboratory Medical Director to determine the appropriate course of action.

Required Actions

- **Immediately discontinue using citrate plasma samples for VITROS PHYT Slides.** In the interim, retain this notification as verification of the revised instructions.
- Notify your laboratory and medical staff of this change.
- It is acceptable to continue using heparin plasma or serum samples to process VITROS PHYT Slides.
- Complete the Confirmation of Receipt and return by **June 21, 2017**.
- Post this notification by each VITROS System or with your user documentation.
- Forward this notification if you have distributed these products outside of your facility.

**Revised
Instructions
for Use**

The current Instructions for Use (Version 9.0) states that recommended specimens include:

- Serum
- Plasma (Heparin and Citrate)

Ortho will issue a notification upon availability of revised Instructions for Use in which citrate plasma is removed as a recommended specimen type.

**Contact
Information**

If you have further questions, please contact your local Ortho representative or our Ortho Care™ Technical Solutions Centre at 1800 5646766.

Sincerely,



Jon Wong, QA Manager 19 June 2017