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# Urgent Field Safety Notice NuVisc<sup>™</sup> Pro

### For Attention of:

Clinics where NuVisc Pro is used during cataract surgery, especially ophthalmic surgeons who are using NuVisc Pro and members of the medical team within the operating theatre.

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- to prevent from eye injuries to patients -

### 1. Information on Affected Devices\* 1 1. Device Type(s)\* NuVisc Pro is a hyaluronic ophthalmic visco-surgical device intended to be used in ophthalmic anterior segment cataract surgery. The product consists of a highly viscous, cohesive, sterile, viscoelastic, clear, isotonic solution for intraocular use, supplied in a ready-to-use glass syringe with one sterile .5 x 22 mm (25G 7/8 in) cannula with a 45° angle. It is cohesive and easy to remove from the anterior chamber. One ready-to-use syringe contains 1 ml of the hyaluronic solution with a pH of 6.8-7.6. The device is provided sterile and is intended for single use only. Figure 1: Picture and description of the respective parts of NuVisc Pro Plunger stopper Backstop Syringe Plunger rod Cannula Commercial name 1 NuVisc™ Pro 3. Unique Device Identifier(s) (UDI-DI) 1 GTIN: 9003502004645 1 4. Primary clinical purpose of device(s)\* NuVisc Pro is intended to be used in ophthalmic anterior segment cataract surgery in order to create and maintain space and protect intraocular tissues. 1 5. Device Model/Catalogue/part number(s)\* Catalogue numbers 37284 and 37758 1 6. Software version n.a. 1 7. Affected serial or lot number range n.a. 1 Associated devices Viscoflow Cannula, sterile .5 x 22 mm (25G 7/8 in) cannula with a 45° angle

2. Reason for Field Safety Corrective Action (FSCA)*				
2	<ol> <li>Description of the product problem*</li> </ol>			
	Since May 2024, Croma has received 4 complaints, involving 5 incidents of NuVisc Pro, alleging			
	the same medical device problem - "backstop detached" during surgery/injection or while			
	preparing for surgery. Croma is thoroughly investigating these complaints. A connection with the			
	quality of an individual product or with a certain product batch could not be established so far.			
2	<ol> <li>Hazard giving rise to the FSCA*</li> </ol>			
	Not following the Instruction for Use could lead to a backstop being detached from the syringe			
	during injection, associated with the risk of a serious eye injury of the patient.			
2	3. Probability of problem arising			
	The probability of the problem to arise is very low, occurrence rate < 1:25,000.			



2	Predicted risk to patient/users				
	See above				
2	5. Further information to help characterise the problem				
	See above				
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2	6. Background on Issue See above				
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2		7. Other information relevant to FSCA			
	n.a.				
	2	Tune of Action to mitigate the rick*			
		Type of Action to mitigate the risk*			
3.	1.	Action To Be Taken by the User*			
		☐ Identify Device ☐ Quarantine Device ☐ Return Device ☐ Destroy Device			
		☐ On-site device modification/inspection			
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	☐ Follow patient management recommendations				
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		☐ Take note of amendment/reinforcement of Instructions for Lice (IELI)			
	☑ Take note of amendment/reinforcement of Instructions for Use (IFU)				
		□ Other □ None			
		□ Other □ None			
		Even though the probability of the problem to price is your law. Crome has decided to			
		Even though the probability of the problem to arise is very low, Croma has decided to			
		amend the Warnings and Precautions section of the Instructions for Use (IFU) of			
		NuVisc Pro by adding the following lines:			
		- Do not manipulate the backstop as this may cause instability in device handling			
		during the surgical procedure.			
	- Do not use the device if the backstop is loose or missing.				
	- If the device is not used as described in these instructions for use, this may result in				
		eye injuries to patients.			
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3.	2.	By when should the n.a.			
		action be completed?			
3.	3.	Particular considerations: n.a.			
3.	4.	Is customer Reply Required?			
3.	5	Action Being Taken by the Manufacturer			
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		□ Product Removal □ On-site device modification/inspection			
		□ Software upgrade □ IFU or labelling change			
		□ Other □ None			
3	6.	By when should the New IFU with first delivery 2025.			
		action be completed?			
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3.	7.	Is the FSN required to be communicated to the patient			
		/lay user?			
3	8.	If yes, has manufacturer provided additional information suitable for the patient/lay			
		user in a patient/lay or non-professional user information letter/sheet?			
		na			



4. General Information*					
4.	1.	FSN Type*	New		
4.	2.	For updated FSN, reference number and date of previous FSN	n.a.		
4.	3. For Updated FSN, key new information as follows:				
		n.a.			
4.	4.	Further advice or information already expected in follow-up FSN? *	No		
4	5. If follow-up FSN expected, what is the further advice expected to relate to:				
		n.a.			
4	6.	Anticipated timescale for follow-up FSN	n.a.		
4.	7. Manufacturer information				
	(For contact details of local representative refer to page 1 of this FSN)				
		a. Company Name	Croma-Pharma GmbH		
		b. Address	Industriezeile 6, 2100 Leobendorf		
		<ul><li>c. Website address</li></ul>	<u>Home » Croma Pharma</u>		
			(https://www.cromapharma.com/)		
4.	8.		ority of your country has been informed about this		
		communication to customers. *			
4.	9.	List of attachments/appendices:	n.a.		
4.	10.	Name/Signature	Johannes Wiesmann		
		ğ	Global Director Quality Unit		
			Croma-Pharma GmbH		
			12.03.2024		

# Transmission of this Field Safety Notice This notice needs to be passed on all those who need to be aware within your organisation or to any organisation where the potentially affected devices have been transferred. (As appropriate) Please transfer this notice to other organisations on which this action has an impact. (As appropriate) Please maintain awareness on this notice and resulting action for an appropriate period to ensure effectiveness of the corrective action. Please report all device-related incidents to the manufacturer, distributor or local representative,

Note: Fields indicated by \* are considered necessary for all FSNs. Others are optional.

and the national Competent Authority if appropriate, as this provides important feedback.