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Our ref.: R2019-002  
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## **ACTION REQUIRED: FIELD SAFETY NOTICE**

Product Affected: 003500-0026-893 Visthesia 1.0% batch 140692AA

Dear Customer,

You are using the ZEISS Ophthalmic Viscosurgical Devices (OVDs). As you know, high quality and innovation is our main goal, but the safety of your patients is our first priority. To ensure that you are able to continue reliably using our products, Carl Zeiss Meditec is issuing a Field Safety Notice regarding the product listed above.

With this letter, we would like to inform you that we have received one report from the field that an OVD has been found, whose 27G Cannula was not the correct shape. Our initial investigation has identified a supplier manufacturing error which has resulted in a small number of cannula not being correctly bent and we have identified excess Silicone Oil coating on the tip of the cannula. Silicone Oil is biocompatible and a thin coating layer is part of the specification. In order to eliminate potential risk to the patient, any such cannulas should not be used.

### **Actions to be taken:**

Please check the cannulas of Visthesia 1.0% batch 140692AA before use and discard them, if they are not properly bent. Your Zeiss representative will contact you shortly to arrange a visit and replace affected OVDs.

### **Affected Products:**

Product: Visthesia 1.0%®  
Lot Number: 140692AA  
Expiry Date: 2021-02  
Ref: A090004

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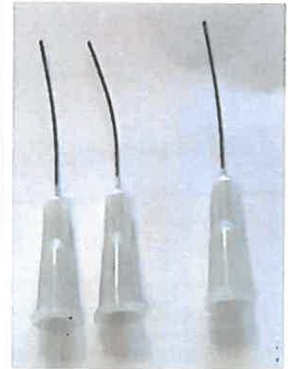
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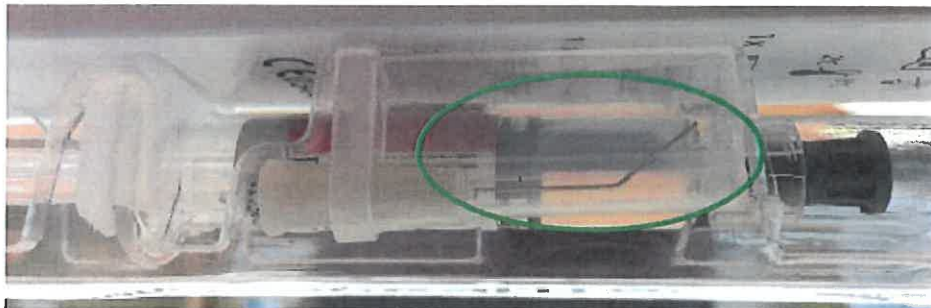


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**Incorrect shape (Needle does not have a 35° angle 9mm from the tip):**



**Correct shape:**



We understand that this notification is highly inconvenient for you. We would like to apologize and thank you in advance for your support with regards to this Field Safety Notification. Please be assured that we are investigating the non-conformity along with our supplier to determine root cause and will implement the necessary corrective actions to prevent this from happening again.

We thank you very much for your attention, your consequent verifications and your continuous support.

If you have any further questions please do not hesitate to contact us.

Best regards

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