

# Customer Notification

POC 26-007-A-OUS



## DCA Vantage® DCA / Atellica® DCA

**Title** HbA1c Reagent Cartridge Bias Issue due to Delamination

**Date Issued** July 2026

**Products**

| Product                                | Lot Number | Siemens Material Number | Unique Device Identification | Manufacturing Date | Expiration Date |
|----------------------------------------|------------|-------------------------|------------------------------|--------------------|-----------------|
| DCA Vantage HbA1c (Japan)              | 0989115    | 10333427                | 00630414532813               | November 2025      | November 2027   |
| Atellica DCA HbA1c Monitor Kit (Japan) | 05310226   | 11419271                | 00630414298054               | February 2026      | February 2028   |
| DCA Vantage HbA1c (DX Claim)           | 0916065    | 10698915                | 00630414592633               | June 2025          | June 2027       |

**Issue Description**

Siemens Healthineers has confirmed through customer complaint investigations and internal testing that delamination of the buffer pull-tab may occur in a small subset of cartridges. Delamination occurs when bonded material layers within the pull-tab separate, preventing full release of the buffer solution into the reaction chamber and reducing the reagent volume available for analysis.

When delamination occurs, it may result in falsely low (negatively biased) HbA1c results or instrument-generated error codes that prevent completion of the test. The issue observed in approximately 0.07–0.5% of cartridges in these lots. The majority of cartridges in these lots continue to perform as intended.

**Customer Actions**

- You may continue to use the cartridges or request replacements if you experience issues with these lots.
- If you choose to continue testing with these lots, repeat testing if an HbA1c result is inconsistent with the patient's clinical presentation, and follow standard troubleshooting procedures if an error code is displayed.
- If you prefer replacements, review your inventory of these products to determine your laboratory's replacement needs and complete the replacement form below.
- Please review this letter with your Medical Director to determine the appropriate course of action, including for any previously generated results, if applicable.
- Complete and return the Field Correction Effectiveness Check Form attached to this letter.
- Please retain this letter with your laboratory records and forward this letter to those who may have received this product.

**Resolution**

Only the lots listed in the table above are affected by this issue.

**Single Registration Number (SRN)**

US-MF-000016560

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We apologize for the inconvenience this situation may cause. If you have any questions, please contact your Siemens Healthineers Customer Care Center or your local Siemens Healthineers technical support representative.

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**PRODUCT REPLACEMENT FORM**

This response form is to request no charge replacement product for the enclosed Siemens Healthineers POC 26-007-A-OUS dated July 2026. Please read each question and indicate the appropriate answer.

If you have received any complaints of illness or adverse events associated with the products listed in the table on Page 1 immediately contact your local Siemens Healthineers Customer Care Center or your local Siemens Healthineers technical support representative.

Return this completed form as per the instructions provided at the bottom of this page.

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|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|------------------------------|-----------------------------|
| 1. Do you have the affected product(s) on hand? Please check inventories before answering. | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 2. Are you experiencing issue with this lot and therefore requesting replacements?         | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 3. Were affected Site Personnel notified?                                                  | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |
| 4. Was a copy of the letter retained and posted with the current product labeling?         | Yes <input type="checkbox"/> | No <input type="checkbox"/> |

If the answer to the question #1 above is yes, please complete the table below to indicate the quantity of affected product in your laboratory and replacement product required.

| Product Description<br>Product Catalog #/SMN #/Lot #   | Quantity of Affected Product in inventory<br>Replacement Quantity Required |           |
|--------------------------------------------------------|----------------------------------------------------------------------------|-----------|
| DCA Vantage HbA1c (Japan) – Lot# 0989115               |                                                                            |           |
| Atellica DCA HbA1c Monitor Kit (Japan) – Lot# 05310226 |                                                                            |           |
| DCA Vantage HbA1c (DX Claim) – Lot # 0916065           |                                                                            |           |
| Name of person completing questionnaire:               |                                                                            |           |
| Title:                                                 |                                                                            |           |
| Institution:                                           |                                                                            |           |
| Street:                                                |                                                                            |           |
| City:                                                  | State:                                                                     | Zip Code: |
| Phone:                                                 | Country:                                                                   |           |
| Customer Sold To #                                     | Customer Ship To #                                                         |           |

Please send a scanned copy of the completed form via email to [fscreportingunit.my@siemens-healthineers.com](mailto:fscreportingunit.my@siemens-healthineers.com).

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