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**URGENT MEDICAL DEVICE CORRECTION UPDATE  
CARDIOSAVE IABP HYBRID AND RESCUE CONFIGURATIONS  
2249723-10/27/2021-003-C - FLUID INGRESS**

Product Description:	Product Code / Part Number:	UDI Code:
Cardiosave Hybrid	0998-00-0800-31 0998-UC-0800-31	10607567109053
	0998-00-0800-32 0998-UC-0800-32	10607567111117
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	0998-00-0800-35 0998-UC-0800-35	10607567109107
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	0998-00-0800-45 0998-UC-0800-45	10607567108421
	0998-00-0800-52 0998-UC-0800-52	10607567108438
	0998-00-0800-53 0998-UC-0800-53	10607567108391
	0998-00-0800-55 0998-UC-0800-55	10607567108414
	0998-00-0800-65 0998-UC-0800-65	10607567113432
Cardiosave Rescue	0998-00-0800-75 0998-UC-0800-75	10607567112312
	0998-00-0800-83 0998-UC-0800-83	10607567108407
	0998-00-0800-85 0998-UC-0800-85	10607567113449
Distributed Affected Lot Number:	All	
Manufacturing Dates:	Since December 2011	
Distribution Dates:	Since March 06, 2012	

Dear Risk Manager,

**In April 2018, Datascope Corp., a subsidiary of Getinge, initiated a voluntary Medical Device Correction to install a Top Protective Cover for the Cardiosave Hybrid Intra-Aortic Balloon Pumps (IABP) to prevent fluid ingress. Customers were provided additional information related to this issue in a subsequent November 2021 voluntary Medical Device Correction for Cardiosave Hybrid and Rescue IABPs, including that this Top Protective Cover could overflow and fluid could enter other susceptible areas of the device depending on the volume of the spill. Fluid ingress, or fluid entering the Cardiosave IABP, may lead to failure of various electronic components, thus leading to system shutdown.**

**Today's letter reproduces the information provided in the November 2021 notice related to this issue, with minor revisions for clarity and provides new information on how to receive a recently released Cardiosave hardware update designed to reduce the occurrence of this issue. When the hardware upgrade is made available in your country, a Getinge representative will contact your facility to schedule a service event.**

**New information in this letter has been identified as bolded text.**

The Cardiosave IABP is an electromechanical system used to inflate and deflate intra-aortic balloons (IABs). It provides temporary support to the left ventricle via the principle of counterpulsation as stated in the Instructions for Use.

#### **Identification of the issue:**

Datascope/Getinge determined that the exterior of the Cardiosave Hybrid and Rescue IABP may be susceptible to fluid ingress at specific locations on the device. IABPs contain various electronic circuit boards. Liquid spills, such as saline, can create bridges of resistance between the circuit components; causing the circuit to not function as intended. This can impact initiation or continuation of counterpulsation therapy.

#### **Risk to Health:**

Failure to start or sudden interruption of therapy due to system shutdown could result in unsafe, hemodynamic instability. The potential for prolonged interruption to therapy and any resulting hemodynamic instability attributed to a spillage event is mediated by both the availability of temporizing measures to the clinician and the ability to exchange the impacted IABP console with another. The population(s) at greatest risk include those more clinically vulnerable to changes in support, or those within the transport environment. Transport personnel have limited access to temporizing measures, alternative therapies, or additional IABP console to address any therapy interruption.

**As of June 30, 2025, there were reports of 1 death and 1 serious injury associated with fluid ingress. During our investigation, Datascope determined that the death and serious injury associated with the reported events were not attributed to the Cardiosave IABP.**

**Actions to be taken by the User:**

A review of our records indicates that you may have a Cardiosave Hybrid and/or Cardiosave Rescue IABP in your facility. Please examine your inventory immediately to determine if you have any Cardiosave Hybrid and/or Rescue IABPs.

**When the hardware upgrade is made available in your country, a Getinge representative will contact your facility to schedule a service event. A service event will be scheduled with your facility to upgrade the equipment at no cost to you.** In the meantime, please continue to follow the IFU and adhere to the following instructions when using the Cardiosave Hybrid and/or Rescue IABP:

- Per the Cardiosave Hybrid and Cardiosave Rescue Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP) Operating/User Instructions: “Caution: Never place fluids on top of this unit. Make sure that the saline container and tubing do not hang directly over the IABP. In case of accidental spillage, wipe clean immediately and have the unit serviced to ensure no hazard exists”.
- Per the Cardiosave Hybrid and Cardiosave Rescue Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP) Operating/User Instructions: “The Plastic Weather Display and Rescue Cover is an accessory designed to protect the Cardiosave Hybrid and Cardiosave Rescue Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP) in transport configuration from ingress of liquids during a transport situation. The cover is designed to fit over the Pump Console and Display while still allowing access to the pull handle, and maintaining visibility of the Monitor and Touchscreen. The Plastic Weather Display and Rescue Cover is to be used any time the Cardiosave Rescue Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP) is used outdoors, especially when there is the possibility of wet weather.”

In the unlikely event that a sudden interruption of therapy occurs, transfer the patient to an alternative IABP. **Should an alternate IABP console not be available for use, pharmaceutical support may be provided to stabilize the hemodynamic status of the patient. Should a prolonged period of therapy interruption result, an alternative treatment course may include the application of alternate Mechanical Circulatory Support (MCS) therapies. For those patients receiving counterpulsation therapy within the transport environment, should a fluid ingress event occur that leads to a system shutdown, the clinician’s resources available are limited when in transit. There is potential for patient injury if therapy cannot resume and the available resources are insufficient to meet the hemodynamic needs of the patient.** Additionally, the IAB Catheter Instructions for Use reinforces that “The IAB catheter should not remain inactive (i.e. not inflating and deflating) for more than 30 minutes because of the potential for thrombus formation.”

Please refer to the intra-aortic balloon catheter instructions for use and Cardiosave Hybrid and Cardiosave Rescue IABP Operating/User Instruction for further information. The patient should be treated according to your facility’s treatment protocols and caregivers’ clinical judgment to ensure hemodynamic stability.

**Please forward this information to all current and potential Cardiosave Hybrid and/or Cardiosave Rescue Intra-Aortic Balloon Pump (IABP) users within your hospital/facility.**

If you are a distributor who has shipped any affected products to customers, please forward this letter to their attention for appropriate action.

**Actions to be taken by Datascope/Getinge:**

Datascope/Getinge has developed a solution to address this potential issue. Three (3) hardware kits will be released to update the Cardiosave IABP Hospital Cart, IABP Display, and to provide one (1) updated Transport Protective Cover for the system when used in Rescue/Transport configuration.

When the FSCA Kits are made available in your geography, a Datascope/Getinge service Representative will contact your facility to schedule a service event for IABP FSCA upgrade kit installation to protect the Cardiosave Hybrid and/or Rescue IABP(s) from fluid ingress. This work will be done at no cost to your facility.

Education and training materials will be made available at the link and associated QR Code below to provide instructions on how to install the Transport Protective Cover onto the Cardiosave IABP system.

<https://fs7.formsite.com/MedicalAffairs/s94ju9zlb/index>



Note: Getinge will provide one (1) single-use disposable Transport Protective Cover per Cardiosave IABP during the service event. For additional covers, contact your local Getinge representative to obtain details on how to purchase.

For more information, or if you have any questions, please contact Getinge Technical Support at the following:

**Insert SSU Contact Information**

**Actions to be taken by the User related to the issue provided in this notification:**

Please complete and sign the attached MEDICAL DEVICE CORRECTION - RESPONSE FORM (page X) to acknowledge that you have received this notification. Return the completed form to Getinge by e-mailing a scanned copy to [XXXXXXXX@getinge.com](mailto:XXXXXXXX@getinge.com) or by faxing the form to (XXX) XXX-XXXX.

This voluntary recall only affects the products listed on page 1; no other products are affected by this voluntary recall.

Adverse reactions or quality problems experienced with the use of this product may be reported to the FDA's MedWatch Adverse Event Reporting program either online, by regular mail or by fax using the following:

- **Online:** [www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/medwatch/](http://www.accessdata.fda.gov/scripts/medwatch/)
- **Regular Mail:** Download form [www.fda.gov/MedWatch/getforms.htm](http://www.fda.gov/MedWatch/getforms.htm) or call 1-800-332-1088 to request a reporting form, then complete and return to the address on the pre-addressed form
- **Fax:** 1-800-FDA-0178

We apologize for any inconvenience this recall may cause. If you have any questions, please contact your Datascope/Getinge representative or call the Datascope/Getinge Customer Support at (XXX) XXX-XXXX (press option X, then option X), Monday through Friday, between the hours of 8:00 a.m. and 6:00 p.m. (Time Zone).

Sincerely,

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Senior Director Quality Assurance & Regulatory Compliance

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**URGENT: MEDICAL DEVICE CORRECTION UPDATE RESPONSE FORM**

**CARDIOSAVE IABP HYBRID AND RESCUE CONFIGURATIONS**

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**FAX BACK TO: (XXX) XXX-XXXX or EMAIL TO: XXXXXXXX@getinge.com**

**DISTRIBUTION DATES: Since March 06, 2012**

**ADD ACCOUNT#**

**[FACILITY NAME**

**STREET ADDRESS**

**CITY, STATE, ZIP CODE]**

Please acknowledge that you have read and understand this Medical Device Recall Notice for the Cardiosave Hybrid and Rescue IABP. Please ensure that all users of the Cardiosave IABP at this facility have been notified accordingly.

Please provide the required information and signature below.

Facility Representative Information:

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Title: \_\_\_\_\_ Department: \_\_\_\_\_

Hospital Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address, City and State: \_\_\_\_\_

**Return the completed form by FAX to (XXX) XXX-XXXX or by EMAIL to XXXXXXXX@getinge.com**