

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tue, 2 Apr 2019 14:26:21 +1100  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]

**Subject:** FOR INFORMATION: ILS Recieved DIR in relation to recall RC-2019-RN-00501-1 [SEC=OFFICIAL:Sensitive, ACCESS=Personal-Privacy, ACCESS=Commercial]

**Priority:** High

**Attachments:** DIR 56691.pdf; image001.gif

Hi [REDACTED]

An ILS related DIR received yesterday as attached.

The report verbatim is:

“Related to Recall Early Action Advice Intraluminal Staplers.

On look back 2 patients that underwent surgery with products listed in the advice (EC529A) have post-operative complications, including anastomotic leaks and are in a critical condition in ICU.

In one of the cases, the staple line has been sent to pathology rather than being discarded.”

It would appear the Early Advice triggered a look back on patients which led to this DIR – so to my mind without the Early Advice we quite possibly wouldn't have this DIR.

FYI

[REDACTED]

Recalls Section  
Manufacturing Quality Branch

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**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 2 April 2019 2:18 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** RE: Recieved DIR in relation to recall RC-2019-RN-00501-1 [SEC=OFFICIAL, ACCESS=Commercial]

Hi [REDACTED]

No problems, I have attached a copy of DIR 56691 in a PDF format.

Cheers  
[REDACTED]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 2 April 2019 2:13 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Recieved DIR in relation to recall RC-2019-RN-00501-1 [SEC=OFFICIAL, ACCESS=Commercial]

Thanks [REDACTED] could you pls sent it to me in PDF?

Thanks

[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Recalls Section  
Manufacturing Quality Branch

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**From:** Recalls  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 2 April 2019 1:25 PM  
**To:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** FW: Recieved DIR in relation to recall RC-2019-RN-00501-1 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

**From:** [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, 2 April 2019 1:21 PM  
**To:** Recalls  
**Subject:** Recieved DIR in relation to recall RC-2019-RN-00501-1 [SEC=OFFICIAL]

Dear Recalls,

Just wanted to give you the heads up that we received a device incident report from a user yesterday in regards to the early advice action sent out for the J&J ILS staplers. I have closed the DIR, but if you wanted to look at it, it is DIR 56691.

Kind Regards


[REDACTED]

[REDACTED]  
Devices Vigilance and Monitoring  
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**Device Incident Report : Medical Devices Branch - Device Vigilance and Monitoring**

DIR : 31 - ID : 421341

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Report #: <input type="text" value="56691"/>	Records Management #: <input type="text"/>	Reporter's Reference #: ARTG reference number 124512
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ARTG: 124512 [Document Container URL](#)

Report Information Section

Report Status: <input type="text" value="Complete"/>	Sponsor's Reported Category: <input type="text"/>	Date of Adverse Event: <input type="text" value="18/03/2019"/>
Date of Final Report: <input type="text" value="01/04/2019"/>	Date of Initial TGA Action: <input type="text" value="01/04/2019"/>	Reviewed by Team: <input type="text"/>
Date Completed: <input type="text" value="02/04/2019"/>	Operator at Time of Event: <input type="text" value="Doctor"/>	If 'Other' Operator Selected: <input type="text"/>
Source of Report: <input type="text" value="Other"/>	If 'Other' Source Selected: <input type="text" value="Safety and Quality"/>	Type of Initial Action: <input type="text" value="Trend data only"/>

Event Description for Website Publication:

Clinical Event Information:  
Related to Recall Early Action Advice Intraluminal Staplers.  
On look back 2 patients that underwent surgery with products listed in the advice (ECS29A) have post operative complications, including anastomotic leaks and are in a critical condition in ICU. In one of the cases, the staple line has been sent to pathology rather than being discarded.

Number of Incidents in Report: <input type="text" value="2"/>	Contact: <input type="text" value="Initial Reporter"/>	Alternative Person Title: <input type="text"/>
Alternative Person Surname: <input type="text"/>	Alternative Person Phone: <input type="text"/>	Alternative Person Fax: <input type="text"/>

Patient Information

Sex: <input type="text" value="Female"/>	Weight: <input type="text"/>	Age: <input type="text"/>
Patient Focused Corrective Action Taken: <input type="text"/>	Patient History: <input type="text"/>	Additional Event Description: <input type="text"/>
Patient Outcome/Consequences: <input type="text"/>	Injured - Extent of Injury: <input type="text" value="Serious Injury"/>	Consequence: <input type="text"/>
Describe any test (Lab, xray, etc.): <input type="text"/>	Additional Patients Added: <input type="text" value="0"/>	
Medical Problem Device Used For: <input type="text" value="Procedure or Surgery"/>		

Submitting Reporter Section

Search Reporter By Surname: <input type="text" value="█"/>	Reporter #: <input type="text"/>	
Reporter Title: <input type="text"/>	First Name: <input type="text" value="█"/>	Surname: <input type="text" value="█"/>
Position: <input type="text" value="█"/>	Company/Institution: <input type="text" value="Redcliffe Hospital"/>	
Address 1: <input type="text" value="Anzac Ave"/>	Address 2: <input type="text" value="Redcliffe"/>	Town/Suburb: <input type="text" value="Redcliffe"/>
Country: <input type="text" value="Australia"/>	Postcode: <input type="text" value="4020"/>	Phone: <input type="text" value="█"/>
Mobile: <input type="text"/>	Email: <input type="text" value="█"/>	Are you happy for the device company to contact you about the incident?: <input type="checkbox"/>

Initial Reporter Section

As Above?: <input type="text" value="Yes"/>	<i>If No, fill out the following:</i>	
Search Reporter By Surname: <input type="text"/>	Initial Reporter #: <input type="text"/>	
Title: <input type="text"/>	First Name: <input type="text"/>	Surname: <input type="text"/>
Position: <input type="text"/>	Company/Institution: <input type="text"/>	
Address 1: <input type="text"/>	Address 2: <input type="text"/>	Town/Suburb: <input type="text"/>
Postcode: <input type="text"/>	Country: <input type="text"/>	Phone: <input type="text"/>
Mobile: <input type="text"/>	Email: <input type="text"/>	Allow the device company to contact you about the incident?: <input type="checkbox"/>

Device Information Section

Product Exempt (Note: If not exempt, enter ARTG No): <input type="text"/>	Search Device ARTG: <input type="text"/>	Device ARTG #: <input type="text"/>
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No	124512	124512
Product Licence Category:	Device Class:	GMDN / UMDN Code:
Included	Class IIb	35615
Brand Name:	Initial Device Description:	Usage of Device:
Intraluminal Staplers (IRS) - Surgical staple, non-bioabsorbable	Intraluminal Staplers (IRS) - Surgical staple, non-bioabsorbable	
Model #:	Serial #:	Batch #:
ECS29A		
Purchase Date:	Expiry Date:	Date of Implant:
		18/03/2019
Place of Implantation:	Reported Device Location:	Access Contact Title:
Staple Line for colon/bowel	Discarded	
Access Contact Surname:	Access Contact Phone:	Access Contact Fax:
Additional Devices Added:		
0		

Manufacturer Information Section

Manufacturer Name:	Manufacturer Client Id:	
Ethicon Endo Surgery LLC	48099	
Address 2:	Town/Suburb:	State/Province:
Postcode:	Phone:	Fax:
Manufacturer Informed:	Date Aware of Adverse Event:	Contact Title:
Contact Surname:		

Supplier Information Section

Supplier Name:	Address 1:	
Johnson & Johnson		
Town/Suburb:	State:	Country:
Phone:	Fax:	Email:
Supplier Informed:	Date of Supplier Contact:	Contact Title:
No		
Contact Surname:	Contact Phone:	Contact Fax:

Report Information - duplicated information from other parts of the report, for use in risk assessments.

Licence Start Date:	Date of Initial TGA Action:	Report Status:
22/12/2005	01/04/2019	Complete
Problems Observed:		
Mechanical Problem; Structural Problem;		

Report Status

For website publication:	Ready for Publication:	Investigated:	Investigation Reason:
Yes	Yes	No	Known complication
Report Priority:			
Not Investigated			

Team Review

Reviewed by Team:	Reason Sent To Meeting:	Outcome from team meeting:
Team Meeting Notes:		

DPRC Review

Reviewed by DPRC:	DPRC Reason Sent To Meeting:	Outcome from DPRC Meeting:
Meeting Notes:		

Initial Risk Analysis

Date:	Assessor:	Licence Status:	Status Reason:
02/04/2019		Active	
Injured Party:	Potential Effect:	Actual Effect:	Found Prior To Use:
Patient	Serious Injury	Serious Injury	No
Sterile:	Invasive Device:	Single Use:	Human Origin:
Yes	Yes	Yes	No

Reusable: <b>No</b>	Risk Frequency: <b>Unknown</b>	Risk Severity: <b>Serious</b>	Risk Rating: <b>Minor Risk</b>
Risk Assessment Notes:			
Final Risk Assessment: <b>Yes</b>			

RISK RATING	Severity
Frequently	Critical
Sometimes	Critical
Rarely	Major
Unlikely	Minor
Unknown	Major

Sponsor/Manufacturer Information Section

Search Sponsors: 267	Name: Johnson & Johnson Medical Pty Ltd
Attention To: [REDACTED]	Address 1: PO Box 134
State: NSW	Postcode: 1670
Email: complaintanz@medau.jnj.com	Address 2: [REDACTED]
	Phone: [REDACTED]

Investigation Information Section - Submitted by Sponsor/Manufacturer

Device Analysis Results:	Details of Similar Events:
Additional Details (use for tables): 	CAPA# Reference:
	Risk Assessment
	Frequency:
	Rating:
Type Cause and Outcome:	Number of Similar Events:
	Expected Rate:
Countries Similar Events Also Occurred:	
Completed Actions:	Planned Actions and Proposed Timelines:
Additional Comments:	

Click [N] to begin a new Correspondence entry. Note that the Email address specified here will receive a notification if the Date Received is not filled in by the Date Expected.

Correspondence and Chronology Details

Include?	Heading	Type L1	Type L2	Email	Sent	Expected	Received	Response

List of Problem Observed Codes - Click [N] to begin entering information.

Problem Observed Details			
Problem Observed (Level 1)	Problem Observed (Level 2)	Problem Observed (Level 3)	If 'Other' Selected
Mechanical Problem	Structural Problem		

Investigation Findings

Finding Details			
Investigation Findings (Level 1)	Investigation Findings (Level 2)	Investigation Findings (Level 3)	If 'Other' Selected
No Findings Available			

Investigation Conclusion

Conclusion Details		
Investigation Conclusion (L1)	Investigation Conclusion (L2)	If Additional Conclusion Detail Requested
Conclusion Not Yet Available		

Investigation Outcomes

Outcome Details		
Outcome of Investigation (L1)	Outcome of Investigation (L2)	If Additional Conclusion Detail Requested
Reviewed, for Trending Purposes Only		

Investigation Summary

Investigation Type:	Latest Investigation (DII) where this DIR is the Primary DIR:	Latest Investigation (DII) where this DIR is a Related DIR:	Investigator:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Investigator's Notes:		Summary Findings:	
Recall action early advice notification - D19-5325030. Further recall action has not been released as of 02/04/19.		<input type="text"/>	

Note: Letter generation buttons disabled if report not ready for website publication or risk analysis not completed.

Device Lookup

This section is used to match information provided via UDIR forms to ARTG information. You can select a Brand/Name from information provided in the 'Other Devices Involved' table below or enter in

Other Device (Entered):	Brand Name:	Manufacturer Name:	Device ARTG #:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Other Devices

Device ARTG No:	Manufacturer Name:	Sponsor/Supplier:	GMDN / UMDN Text:	Trade/Brand Name
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Model Number:	Batch #:	Lot #:	Expiry Date:	
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	

Related DIR Information - Click [N] to begin entering information.

Rec No
1

Samples Record - Click [N] to begin entering information. Note: Sample # Generated on Save.

Rec No	Details	Sample Details			Additional Details		
		Date Entered:	LIMS #:	Sample Requested:	Sample Received:	Manufacturer:	GMDN:
1	Reason for Testing:	# Samples from Reporter:	# Samples from Sponsor:	Outcome of TGA's Testing:	Lot Number:	Batch Number:	Model Number:
	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
					Who sent the device to the TGA?:		
					<input type="text"/>		

Additional Patients

Click [N] to begin entering information.

Patient Details		
Sex:	Weight:	Age:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Patient Focused Corrective Action Taken:		Patient History:
<input type="text"/>		<input type="text"/>
Injured - Extent of Injury:	Was device directly linked to death?:	Was device directly linked to permanent disability?:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>
Other Consequence:	Describe any test (Lab, xray, etc.):	Additional Event Description:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Additional Device Information

Where did you get this device from?:	How reliant is the affected person on correct/safe operation of this device?:
Supplier	Very
Any other relevant information to aid assessing/investigating the incident?:	
Company will be contacted 1 April 2019	

Similar Events

Similar events - how many times?:	Date of Recent Report:	Event Reported To:	Reporter Reference Number:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Device Access - Alternate Device Contact Information Provided

Title:	First Name:	Last Name:	Phone:
<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>	<input type="text"/>

Fax:

Email:

Incident Location Details

Occurred in Australia:

Organisation:

Address Line 1:

Address Line 2:

Town/Suburb:

State:

Postcode:

Attachment(s) Details

Type	Open	Name	Size	Attached Within
FILE		DIR_56691 - original user report	239	Form

Flow Details : DIR-REQ - Device Incident Request : 166214

Request Details

ID	Type	Location	Status	Assigned By	Assigned To	Assigned On
166214	DIR-REQ		Triage		Device Support Team	02/04/2015

Signature Details

Role	IRIS Investigator
User	
Signed At	
Comment	