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Device: Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II  
EUA Number: EUA203021  
Company: Beckman Coulter, Inc.  
Indication: Qualitative and semi-quantitative detection of IgG antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 in human plasma (lithium heparin, dipotassium EDTA, tripotassium EDTA, and sodium citrate). Intended for use as an aid in identifying individuals with an adaptive immune response to SARS-CoV-2, indicating recent or prior infection. Emergency use of this test is limited to authorized laboratories.  
Authorized Laboratories: Laboratories certified under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA), 42 U.S.C. 263a, that meet requirements to perform moderate or high complexity tests.

Dear Dr. Colinayo:

This letter is in response to your<sup>1</sup> request that the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) issue an Emergency Use Authorization (EUA) for emergency use of your product,<sup>2</sup> pursuant to Section 564 of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act (the Act) (21 U.S.C. §360bbb-3).

On February 4, 2020, pursuant to Section 564(b)(1)(C) of the Act, the Secretary of the Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) determined that there is a public health emergency that has a significant potential to affect national security or the health and security of United States citizens living abroad, and that involves the virus that causes COVID-19. Pursuant to Section 564 of the Act, and on the basis of such determination, the Secretary of HHS then declared that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use of in vitro diagnostics for detection and/or diagnosis of the virus that causes COVID-19 subject to the terms of any authorization issued under Section 564(a) of the Act.<sup>3</sup>

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<sup>1</sup> For ease of reference, this letter will use the term “you” and related terms to refer to Beckman Coulter, Inc.

<sup>2</sup> For ease of reference, this letter will use the term “your product” to refer to the Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II for the indication identified above.

<sup>3</sup> U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, *Determination of a Public Health Emergency and Declaration*

FDA considered the totality of scientific information available in authorizing the emergency use of your product for the indication above. A summary of the performance information FDA relied upon is included in the “Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II” Instructions for Use (identified below).

Having concluded that the criteria for issuance of this authorization under Section 564(c) of the Act are met, I am authorizing the emergency use of your product, described in the Scope of Authorization of this letter (Section II), subject to the terms of this authorization.

## **I. Criteria for Issuance of Authorization**

I have concluded that the emergency use of your product meets the criteria for issuance of an authorization under Section 564(c) of the Act, because I have concluded that:

1. The SARS-CoV-2 can cause a serious or life-threatening disease or condition, including severe respiratory illness, to humans infected by this virus;
2. Based on the totality of scientific evidence available to FDA, it is reasonable to believe that your product may be effective in diagnosing recent or prior infection with SARS-CoV-2 by identifying individuals with an adaptive immune response to the virus that causes COVID-19, and that the known and potential benefits of your product when used for such use, outweigh the known and potential risks of your product; and
3. There is no adequate, approved, and available alternative to the emergency use of your product.<sup>4</sup>

## **II. Scope of Authorization**

I have concluded, pursuant to Section 564(d)(1) of the Act, that the scope of this authorization is limited to the indication above.

### **Authorized Product Details**

Your product is an enzyme immunoassay intended for qualitative and semi-quantitative detection of IgG antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 in plasma (lithium heparin, dipotassium EDTA, tripotassium EDTA, and sodium citrate) using one of the fully automated Access Family of Immunoassay Analyzers, including the standalone Access 2, UniCel DxI 600, and UniCel DxI 800 analyzers and the integrated chemistry/immunoassay platforms; UniCel DxC 600i, UniCel DxC 680i, UniCel DxC 880i, UniCel DxC 660i and UniCel DxC 860i (includes Access 2 Immunoassay System Instructions for Use for in vitro Diagnostic use, Access 2 Immunoassay System Operators’ Guide, Access 2 Immunoassay System reference Manual for stand alone Access 2 system and DXC 600i integrated systems. UniCel DxI Access Immunoassay System Instructions

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*that Circumstances Exist Justifying Authorizations Pursuant to Section 564(b) of the Federal Food, Drug, and Cosmetic Act, 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3. 85 FR 7316 (February 7, 2020).*

<sup>4</sup> No other criteria of issuance have been prescribed by regulation under Section 564(c)(4) of the Act.

for use for in vitro Diagnostic Use, UniCel DxI Access Immunoassay System Operators' Guide and UniCel DxI Access Immunoassay System Reference manual for DxI integrated systems). The product is intended for use as an aid in identifying individuals with an adaptive immune response to SARS-CoV-2, indicating recent or prior infection. At this time, it is unknown for how long antibodies persist following infection and if the presence of antibodies confers protective immunity. Semi-quantitative results from your product should not be interpreted as an indication or degree of immunity or protection from reinfection.

A sample is added to a reaction vessel with buffer and paramagnetic particles coated with recombinant SARS-CoV-2 protein specific for the receptor binding domain (RBD) of the S1 protein. After incubation in the reaction vessel, materials bound to the solid phase are held in a magnetic field while unbound materials are washed away. A monoclonal anti-human IgG alkaline phosphatase conjugate is added and the conjugate binds to the IgG antibodies captured on the particles. A second separation and wash step remove unbound conjugate. A chemiluminescent substrate is added to the vessel and light generated by the reaction is measured with a luminometer. The light production is compared to the cut-off value defined during calibration of the instrument. The amount of analyte in the sample is determined from a stored, multi-point calibration curve.

The Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II reagent kit must be used in combination with the Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II Calibrator which is not included with the kit but is available from you with the "Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II Calibrator" Instructions for Use, or other authorized calibrators (as may be requested under Condition M below) to be run as outlined in the "Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II" Instructions for Use:

- Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II Calibrator: One container (S0) with TRIS buffer, surfactant and protein (bovine), < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.5% Proclin 300, and five containers (S1-S5) with different levels of human anti-SARS-CoV-2 monoclonal IgG in TRIS buffer, surfactant and protein (bovine), < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.5% Proclin 300.

Your product also requires the use of the SARS-CoV-2 IgG II QC, which is not included with the kit but is available from you with the "SARS-CoV-2 IgG II QC" Instructions for Use, or other authorized controls (as may be requested under Condition M below), to be run as outlined in the "Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II" Instructions for Use:

- Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II QC: QC1 - Negative control consisting of defibrinated plasma negative for anti-SARS-CoV-2 in TRIS buffer, surfactant, protein (bovine), < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.5% ProClin 300; QC2 – Positive control consisting of defibrinated plasma, human anti-SARS-CoV-2 monoclonal IgG, surfactant, protein (bovine), < 0.1% sodium azide and 0.5% ProClin 300, and QC Value Card.

Your product also requires the use of additional authorized materials and authorized ancillary reagents that are not included with your product and are described in the "Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II" Instructions for Use.

The labeling entitled “Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II” Instructions for Use, the “Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II Calibrator” Instructions for Use, the “SARS-CoV-2 IgG II QC” Instructions for Use (available at <https://www.fda.gov/medical-devices/coronavirus-disease-2019-covid-19-emergency-use-authorizations-medical-devices/vitro-diagnostics-euas>), the product information cards (PICs) for the Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II reagent kit, calibrator kit and QC kit and the following fact sheets pertaining to the emergency use, is required to be made available as set forth in the Conditions of Authorization (Section IV), and are collectively referred to as “authorized labeling”:

- Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers: Beckman Coulter, Inc. - Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II
- Fact Sheet for Recipients: Beckman Coulter, Inc. - Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II

The above described product, when accompanied by the authorized labeling as set forth in the Conditions of Authorization, is authorized to be distributed to and used by authorized laboratories under this EUA, despite the fact that it does not meet certain requirements otherwise required by applicable federal law.

I have concluded, pursuant to Section 564(d)(2) of the Act, that it is reasonable to believe that the known and potential benefits of your product, when used consistent with the Scope of Authorization of this letter (Section II), outweigh the known and potential risks of your product.

I have concluded, pursuant to Section 564(d)(3) of the Act, based on the totality of scientific evidence available to FDA, that it is reasonable to believe that your product may be effective in diagnosing recent or prior infection with SARS-CoV-2 by identifying individuals with an adaptive immune response to the virus that causes COVID-19, when used consistent with the Scope of Authorization of this letter (Section II), pursuant to Section 564(c)(2)(A) of the Act.

FDA has reviewed the scientific information available to FDA, including the information supporting the conclusions described in Section I above, and concludes that your product (as described in the Scope of Authorization of this letter (Section II) meets the criteria set forth in Section 564(c) of the Act concerning safety and potential effectiveness.

The emergency use of your product under this EUA must be consistent with, and may not exceed, the terms of this letter, including the Scope of Authorization (Section II) and the Conditions of Authorization (Section IV). Subject to the terms of this EUA and under the circumstances set forth in the Secretary of HHS's determination under Section 564(b)(1)(C) of the Act described above and the Secretary of HHS's corresponding declaration under Section 564(b)(1) of the Act, your product is authorized for the indication above.

### **III. Waiver of Certain Requirements**

I am waiving the following requirements for your product during the duration of this EUA:

- Current good manufacturing practice requirements, including the quality system requirements under 21 CFR Part 820 with respect to the design, manufacture, packaging,

labeling, storage, and distribution of your product, but excluding Subpart H (Acceptance Activities, 21 CFR 820.80 and 21 CFR 820.86), Subpart I (Nonconforming Product, 21 CFR 820.90), and Subpart O (Statistical Techniques, 21 CFR 820.250).

#### **IV. Conditions of Authorization**

Pursuant to Section 564(e) of the Act, I am establishing the following conditions on this authorization:

##### **Beckman Coulter, Inc. (You) and Authorized Distributor(s)<sup>5</sup>**

- A. Your product must comply with the following labeling requirements under FDA regulations: the intended use statement (21 CFR 809.10(a)(2), (b)(2)); adequate directions for use (21 U.S.C. 352(f)), (21 CFR 809.10(b)(5), (7), and (8)); appropriate limitations on the use of the device including information required under 21 CFR 809.10(a)(4); and any available information regarding performance of the device, including requirements under 21 CFR 809.10(b)(12).
- B. You and authorized distributor(s) must make your product available with the authorized labeling to authorized laboratories.
- C. You and authorized distributor(s) must make available on your website(s) the Fact Sheet for Healthcare Providers and the Fact Sheet for Recipients.
- D. You and authorized distributor(s) must include a physical copy of the applicable PIC card with each shipped Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II reagent kit, calibrator kit and QC kit to authorized laboratories, and will make the “Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II” Instructions for Use, the “Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II Calibrator” Instructions for Use and the “SARS-CoV-2 IgG II QC” Instructions for Use electronically available with the opportunity to request copies in paper form, and after such request, you must promptly provide the requested information without additional cost.
- E. You and authorized distributor(s) must inform authorized laboratories and relevant public health authorities of this EUA, including the terms and conditions herein, and any updates made to your product, and authorized labeling.
- F. Through a process of inventory control, you and authorized distributor(s) must maintain records of the authorized laboratories to which they distribute your product and number they distribute.
- G. You and authorized distributor(s) must collect information on the performance of your product. You must report to FDA any suspected occurrence of false positive and false negative results and significant deviations from the established performance characteristics of the product of which you become aware.

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<sup>5</sup> “Authorized Distributor(s)” are identified by you, Beckman Coulter, Inc., in your EUA submission as an entity allowed to distribute your product.

- H. You and authorized distributor(s) are authorized to make available additional information relating to the emergency use of your product that is consistent with, and does not exceed, the terms of this letter of authorization.
- I. You and authorized distributor(s) must make available the control materials (Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II QC) with the “Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II QC” Instructions for Use and the calibrator materials (Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II Calibrator) with the “Access SARS-CoV-2 IgG II Calibrator” Instructions for Use, or other authorized control materials (as may be requested under Condition M below), at the same time as your product.

**Beckman Coulter, Inc. (You)**

- J. You must notify FDA of any authorized distributor(s) of your product, including the name, address, and phone number of any authorized distributor(s).
- K. You must provide authorized distributor(s) with a copy of this EUA and communicate to authorized distributor(s) any subsequent amendments that might be made to this EUA and its authorized accompanying materials (e.g., Fact Sheets).
- L. You must comply with the following requirements pursuant to FDA regulations: Subpart H (Acceptance Activities, 21 CFR 820.80 and 21 CFR 820.86), Subpart I (Nonconforming Product, 21 CFR 820.90), and Subpart O (Statistical Techniques, 21 CFR 820.250).
- M. You may request changes to this EUA for your product, including to the Scope of Authorization (Section II in this letter) or to the authorized labeling, including requests to make available additional authorized labeling specific to an authorized distributor. Such additional labeling may use another name for the product but otherwise must be consistent with the authorized labeling, and not exceed the terms of authorization of this letter. Any request for changes to this EUA should be submitted to the Division of Microbiology (DMD)/Office of Health Technology 7 (OHT7)-Office of In Vitro Diagnostics and Radiological Health (OIR)/Office of Product Evaluation and Quality (OPEQ)/Center for Devices and Radiological Health (CDRH) and require appropriate authorization from FDA prior to implementation.
- N. You must evaluate the performance and assess traceability<sup>6</sup> of your product with any FDA-recommended reference material(s) or established panel(s) of characterized clinical specimens. After submission to and concurrence with the data by FDA, you must update your labeling to reflect the additional testing. Such labeling updates will be made in consultation with, and require concurrence of, DMD/OHT7-OIR/OPEQ/CDRH.

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<sup>6</sup> Traceability refers to tracing analytical sensitivity/reactivity back to an FDA-recommended reference material. FDA may request, for example, that you perform this study in the event that we receive reports of adverse events concerning your product.

- O. You must have a process in place to track adverse events, including any occurrence of false results and report to FDA pursuant to 21 CFR Part 803.
- P. You must have lot release procedures and the lot release procedures, including the study design and statistical power, must ensure that the tests released for distribution have the clinical and analytical performance claimed in the authorized labeling.
- Q. If requested by FDA, you must submit lot release procedures to FDA, including sampling protocols, testing protocols, and acceptance criteria, that you use to release lots of your product for distribution in the U.S. If such lot release procedures are requested by FDA, you must provide it within 48 hours of the request.
- R. You must complete the agreed upon real-time stability study for your product. After submission to and concurrence with the data by FDA, you will update your labeling to reflect the additional testing. Such labeling updates will be made in consultation with, and require concurrence of, DMD/OHT7-OIR/OPEQ/CDRH.
- S. If requested by FDA, you must participate in a National Cancer Institute study on the evaluation of your product. After submission to and concurrence with the data by FDA you will update your product labeling to reflect the additional testing. Such labeling updates will be made in consultation with, and require concurrence of, DMD/OHT7-OIR/OPEQ/CDRH.
- T. If requested by FDA, you must periodically submit new lots for testing at the National Cancer Institute, or by another government agency designated by FDA, to confirm continued performance characteristics across lots. In addition, FDA may request records regarding lot release data for assays to be distributed or already distributed. If such lot release data are requested by FDA, you must provide it within 48 hours of the request.

#### **Authorized Laboratories**

- U. Authorized laboratories using your product must include with test result reports, all authorized Fact Sheets. Under exigent circumstances, other appropriate methods for disseminating these Fact Sheets may be used, which may include mass media.
- V. Authorized laboratories must use your product as outlined in the authorized labeling. Deviations from the authorized procedures, including the authorized instruments, authorized clinical specimen types, authorized control materials, authorized other ancillary reagents and authorized materials required to use your product are not permitted.
- W. Authorized laboratories that receive your product must notify the relevant public health authorities of their intent to run your product prior to initiating testing.

- X. Authorized laboratories using your product must have a process in place for reporting test results to healthcare providers and relevant public health authorities, as appropriate.
- Y. Authorized laboratories must collect information on the performance of your product and report to DMD/OHT7-OIR/OPEQ/CDRH (via email: [CDRH-EUA-Reporting@fda.hhs.gov](mailto:CDRH-EUA-Reporting@fda.hhs.gov)) and to you (Customer Technical Support: 1-800-854-3633 Customer portal: [www.beckmancoulter.com](http://www.beckmancoulter.com)) any suspected occurrence of false reactive or non-reactive results and significant deviations from the established performance characteristics of your product of which they become aware.
- Z. All laboratory personnel using your product must be appropriately trained in automated immunoassay techniques and use appropriate laboratory and personal protective equipment when handling this kit, and use your product in accordance with the authorized labeling. All laboratory personnel using the assay must also be trained in and be familiar with the interpretation of results of the product.

**Beckman Coulter, Inc. (You), Authorized Distributor(s) and Authorized Laboratories**

- AA. You, authorized distributors, and authorized laboratories using your product must ensure that any records associated with this EUA are maintained until otherwise notified by FDA. Such records will be made available to FDA for inspection upon request.

**Conditions Related to Printed Matter, Advertising and Promotion**

- BB. All descriptive printed matter, advertising, and promotional materials relating to the use of your product, shall be consistent with the authorized labeling, as well as the terms set forth in this EUA and meet the requirements set forth in section 502(a), (q)(1), and (r) of the Act and FDA implementing regulations.
- CC. No descriptive printed matter, advertising, or promotional materials relating to the use of your product may represent or suggest that this test is safe or effective for the detection of SARS-CoV-2.
- DD. All descriptive printed matter, advertising, and promotional materials relating to the use of your product shall clearly and conspicuously state that:
  - This test has not been FDA cleared or approved but has been authorized for emergency use by FDA under an EUA for use by authorized laboratories;
  - This test has been authorized only for detecting the presence of IgG antibodies against SARS-CoV-2, not for any other viruses or pathogens; and
  - The emergency use of this test is only authorized for the duration of the declaration that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use of in vitro diagnostics for detection and/or diagnosis of COVID-19 under Section



564(b)(1) of the Federal Food, Drug and Cosmetic Act, 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3(b)(1), unless the declaration is terminated or authorization is revoked sooner.

The emergency use of your product as described in this letter of authorization must comply with the conditions and all other terms of this authorization.

#### **V. Duration of Authorization**

This EUA will be effective until the declaration that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of the emergency use of in vitro diagnostics for detection and/or diagnosis of COVID-19 is terminated under Section 564(b)(2) of the Act or the EUA is revoked under Section 564(g) of the Act.

Sincerely,

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Enclosures