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## RE: FALSIFIED HUMAN IMMUNODEFICIENCY VIRUS (HIV) UNI-GOLD™ TEST KITS

National Drug Authority received an alert from WHO falsified Uni-Gold™ rapid diagnostic test kits purported to be manufactured by Trinity Biotech PLC. The falsified product has been reported in neighbouring Kenya. Uni-Gold™ HIV is a single-use rapid diagnostic test intended to be used in point of care settings as an aid in diagnosing of HIV-1 and HIV-2 infections. The falsified lot is as below:-

| PRODUCT NAME  | LOT NUMBER | EXPIRY DATE | STATES MANUFACTURER |
|---------------|------------|-------------|---------------------|
| Uni-Gold™ HIV | HIV7120026 | 5 Dec 2020  | Trinity Biotech plc |

The genuine manufacturer (Trinity Biotech PLC) confirmed that:-

- They did not manufacture the above product
- Genuine lot HIV7120026 was manufactured by Trinity Biotech plc and expired in 2019
- The expiry date is incorrect and does not correspond with their batch manufacturing records.

National Drug Authority advises you to verify the Uni-Gold™ HIV test kits in your facility and immediately contact National Drug Authority and report this suspected substandard/ falsified product to NDA by email to <a href="mailto:druginfo@nda.or.ug">druginfo@nda.or.ug</a>. You can also call on 0414-255665 or by sending a message on WhatsApp to 0791415555.

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