



AFINION™ 2

Customer Release Notes - SW 21.16

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AFINION™ 2

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Serial Numbers: All serial numbers with software version $\leq$ 21.15

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ABOUT THIS DOCUMENT

This document describes changes in software version **21.16** over the previously released version 21.15 for the Afinion™ 2.

This update does not apply to the Alere Afinion AS100™ Analyzer.

RECOMMENDATIONS

Software version 21.16 is highly recommended if you:

- Run software version 21.15 or earlier: Improvements from previous versions are part of version 21.16, along with access to a troubleshooting feature designed to help reduce downtime when information code events occur.
- Want results to automatically transmit to your LIS/HIS/EMR system without requiring the green checkmark confirmation step (Auto-Send).
- Prefer to stay up to date with the latest software improvements that help enhance overall instrument reliability.

CONNECTIVITY ENHANCEMENTS FOR IMPROVED WORKFLOW EFFICIENCY

- Introduction of an optional Auto-Send feature that can be enabled through middleware or direct connection (via the POCT1-A communication protocol) to automatically transmit patient and control results to connected LIS/HIS/EMR systems immediately after a result is generated. This enhancement eliminates the need for manual confirmation using the green checkmark and improves overall workflow efficiency.
- The Auto-Send feature requires middleware or LIS/HIS/EMR compatibility via POCT-1A. For example, RALS Informatics software version 8.6.2 (released in May 2026) will support Auto-Send. Customers should consult their middleware or connectivity provider to confirm compatibility with this functionality.

RELIABILITY IMPROVEMENTS TO SUPPORT INSTRUMENT PERFORMANCE

- Enhanced monitoring of the temperature sensor, now with an integrated fail-safe mechanism that helps ensure stable and reliable instrument performance.
- Software adjustments to enhance the mixing during the processing of HbA1c cartridges. As a result of this update, users may notice that the instrument sounds different when running a test. Specifically, a louder pitch and distinct sounds around the midpoint of processing (starting at about 1 minute 30 seconds). These sounds are normal and expected as part of routine instrument operation.