

Instructions for Physicians regarding the sample return process for VIOXX
(rofecoxib)

1. Immediately stop prescribing and dispensing samples of VIOXX®.
2. Within 3 to 5 business days, physicians will receive a package from National Notification Center (NNC), an independent company contracted by Merck, which will contain directions and paperwork needed for the return of the samples.
3. The package from NNC will contain the formal market withdrawal notice and will include:
 - a Business Reply Card
 - a Packaging Slip
 - a Prepaid UPS Shipping Label
4. Complete and mail the **Business Reply Card** within 5 business days of receipt. A signed, dated card should be returned within that time frame even if you do not have any VIOXX® samples. The card is postage prepaid.
5. Complete the **Packaging Slip** to itemize the number of samples being returned and photocopy it for your records. Return the original Packaging Slip with the product shipment.
6. Affix the **Prepaid UPS Shipping Label** to the outside of the package.
7. Any questions about the return process should be directed to (888)36VIOXX or (888)368-4699.