

BORD Storage and Stability of Samples, Controls and Reagents

PURPOSE

- This procedure provides instructions for storage and stability of sample buffer tubes, controls and reagents.

SAFETY CONSIDERATIONS

- Standard precautions. Refer to [MB 2.02](#) Biohazard Containment
- Use of engineering controls: Refer to [MB 3.01](#) Engineering Controls to Prevent Nucleic Acid Contamination

ABBREVIATIONS

- BORD: Bordetella
- BORDP: Bordetella PCR
- Bp: Bordetella pertussis
- Bpp: Bordetella parapertussis
- BSC: BioSafety Cabinet
- BSL: BioSafety level
- MM: master mix
- NEG: negative control
- NFW: nuclease free water
- PCTL: process control
- POSC: positive control
- PP: primer – pair
- RT: room temperature
- SEAC: Simplex extraction and amplification control
- TE buffer: Tris – EDTA buffer
- Area/Room 1: Clean room
- Area/Room 2: Processing room
- Area/Room 3: Amplification room

MATERIALS REQUIRED

| Equipment | Reagents | Supplies |
|---|---|---|
| Room 1: Clean room <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refrigerator 2 – 8° C ▪ -10 to -30° C freezer ▪ Mini-centrifuge ▪ Laminar flow hood ▪ Eppendorf Repeater pipette Room 2: Processing <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Refrigerator 2 – 8° C ▪ BSC BSL-2 ▪ -70° C freezer | Bp primer pair (50 µl) | Orange barrier wipes |
| | Bpp primer pair (50 µl) | 200 µl TE tube (1.5 ml micro-centrifuge tube) |
| | TA master mix (2 X 200 µl) | Nitrile gloves (powder-free) |
| | Bordetella Molecular Control (POSC) 2 X 50 µl | Cryovial storage box |
| | NFW (NEG) | Test tube rack |
| | TE buffer 1X pH 8.0 (100 ml) | Sterile scissors |
| | SEAC <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Amplification Control DNA ▪ Amplification Control primer pair | Eppendorf pipette tip, 5 ml |
| | | 2.0 ml cryovials |

PROCEDURE A: Follow the activity below for the proper storage of neat samples and samples in TE buffer
Storage and Stability of Processed Samples and Reagents

| Activity | Step | Action | Related Documents | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Processed sample in TE buffer tube Room 2 | 1 | Prepare NP swabs for testing | MB 1.01 Specimen Management | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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| Aliquot Bronchs, nasal washes/aspirates | 2 | Number and label a 2.0 mL cryovial for each nasal wash/aspirate and bronch specimen to be tested | Refer to MB 6.05 Proc. K for archiving samples | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
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PROCEDURE B: Follow the activity below for proper storage of reagents. Refer to Tables 1 – 4.
Information for Reagent Storage

| Activity | Step | Action | Related Doc |
|---------------------|------|---|-------------|
| General Information | 1 | <i>Clean gloves are required prior to handling new reagents</i> | |
| | | BORDP reagents are shipped frozen on dry ice <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Do not use reagents if thawed upon arrival ▪ Do not use reagents if vials have been damaged ▪ Contact DiaSorin Customer Service at 1.800.838.4548 for shipping issues | |

| Activity | Step | Action | Related Doc |
|---------------------|------|--|--|
| General Information | 2 | Store BORDP reagents at -10 to -30° C until expiration date located on the vial unless otherwise noted. Refer to Table 1. | MB 5.02 Standards of Practice Waste Management 912.04 |
| | 3 | Discard reagents that have not been stored properly or have expired according to the Organizational Waste Management policy | |
| | 4 | Remove only the required amount of reagents from storage needed for testing. | |
| | 5 | Protect from excess heat and light; store in dark | |
| | 6 | Reagents are stable through the end of the expiration month as indicated on the packaging | |
| | 7 | Thaw reagents at room temperature before use | |
| | 8 | Once thawed, store reagents at 2 – 8° C up to 30 days <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ▪ Do not refreeze | |
| | 9 | Do not allow contact with reactive vapors from bleach or Extran or dust as these may affect the performance. | |
| | 10 | Do not interchange the reagent tube caps | |

Table 1: Simplexa BORDP Reagents

| Reagent | Unopened Reagent | | Stability | Opened Reagent | | Stability |
|-----------------------------|------------------|----------|-------------|----------------|----------|-----------|
| | Temp (° C) | Location | | Temp (° C) | Location | |
| BORDP POSC (red) | -70 | Room 2 | expiry date | 2 – 8 | Room 2 | 30 days |
| TA MM (green) | -10 to -30 | Room 1 | expiry date | 2 – 8 | Room 1 | 30 days |
| Bp PP, conc. 20 µM (brown) | -10 to -30 | Room 1 | expiry date | 2 – 8 | Room 1 | 30 days |
| Bpp PP, conc. 15 µM (brown) | -10 to -30 | Room 1 | expiry date | 2 – 8 | Room 1 | 30 days |
| SEAC (blue) | -10 to -30 | Room 1 | expiry date | 2 – 8 | Room 1 | 30 days |

Table 2: Molecular Grade Water (RNase and DNase free)

| Reagent | Unopened/Opened | | Aliquot Storage | | In Use Aliquots | |
|---------------------------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------|----------|
| | Temp | Location | Temp (° C) | Location | Temp (° C) | Location |
| Nuclease free water (NFW) | RT | Room 1 | 2 – 8 | Room 1 | 2 – 30 | Room 2 |

Table 3: TE Buffer and Aliquot Storage

| Reagent | Unopened/Opened temp | | Aliquot Storage | | In Use Aliquots, temp (° C) | |
|--------------|----------------------|----------|-----------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------|
| | Temp | Location | Temp (° C) | Location | Temp (° C) | Location |
| TE buffer 1X | RT | Room 1 | 2 – 8 | Room 1 | 2 – 30 | Room 2 |

Table 4: Process Control Storage

| Reagent | Temp (° C) | Location | Stability | Temp (° C) | Location | Stability |
|---------------------------------|------------|----------|-----------|------------|----------|-----------|
| BORDP Process Control in matrix | ≤ 70 | Room 2 | 1 year | 2 – 8 | Room 2 | 7 days |

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