

## RVP Control and Reagent Preparation

### PURPOSE

- This procedure provides instructions for preparation of reagents and procedural controls

### ABBREVIATIONS

- Ct: crossing threshold
- EXC: extraction control
- FABR: Flu A, B & RSV PCR
- Hyb: hybridization solution
- IC: internal control
- MM: master mix
- NA: Nucleic Acid
- NEGC: negative control
- NFW: nuclease free water
- RT-PCR: reverse transcription polymerase chain reaction
- PCTL: process control
- POSC: positive control
- RT: room temperature
- RVP: Respiratory Viral Panel
- VTM: viral transport media
- Area/Room 1: Clean room
- Area/Room 2: Processing room
- Area/Room 3: Amplification room

### MATERIALS REQUIRED

Equipment	Reagents	Supplies	
<b>Room 1</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Adjustable pipettes</li> <li>▪ Cold block</li> <li>▪ Freezer, -20° C</li> <li>▪ Laminar air-flow hood</li> <li>▪ Refrigerator 2 – 8° C</li> <li>▪ Vortex mixer</li> </ul>	eSensor RVP kit: Product No. MT005102	Sterile filtered 10 µl pipette tips	
	easyMAG Lysis buffer, 2 ml	Sterile filtered 30 µl pipette tips	
	easyMAG Buffer 1	Sterile filtered 100 µl pipette tips	
	easyMAG Buffer 2	Sterile filtered 200 µl pipette tips	
	easyMAG Buffer 3	Sterile filtered 1000 µl pipette tips	
	<b>Room 2</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Adjustable pipettes</li> <li>▪ BioHit 8 channel pipette</li> <li>▪ Bio-Safety Cabinet (BSC)</li> <li>▪ Cold Block</li> <li>▪ Freezer, -70° C</li> <li>▪ Magnetic rack</li> <li>▪ Mini-centrifuge</li> <li>▪ NucliSens easyMag</li> <li>▪ Refrigerator 2 – 8° C</li> <li>▪ Tube racks, 1.5 – 2 ml</li> <li>▪ Vortex mixer</li> </ul>	MagSil	Micro tubes 1.5 ml, RNase/DNase free
		Molecular grade water, nuclease free	Nitrile gloves (powder-free)
		Viral transport media (VTM)	PCR 8 tube strips with caps
		Viral isolates: H1, H3, RSV, Flu B	easyMag disposable vessel strips and tips
		Patient hMPV sample	BioHit pipette tips
Sani-Cloth Bleach Wipes (10%)		BioHazard wipes	
70% alcohol		Gripper rack	
Household bleach		Sharps disposal container	
<b>Room 3</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Adjustable pipettes</li> <li>▪ Cold Block</li> <li>▪ Freezer, -20° C</li> <li>▪ GenMark eSensor XT-8 instrument</li> <li>▪ Mini-centrifuge</li> <li>▪ PCR thermocycler</li> <li>▪ PCR workstation</li> <li>▪ Vortex mixer</li> </ul>	MMQCI RVP Control Panel		

**PROCEDURE A:** Follow the activities in the table below for preparing RVP assay controls  
**Preparing RVP Control Panel, Positive/Extraction Controls, Internal Control, and Negative Control**

Control	Step	Action																				
<b>MMQCI RVP Control Panel<sup>3</sup></b> Room 2 1X use	1	The RVP control panel consists of 2 vials M244 and M245, single use only																				
	2	Allow the vials to warm to RT																				
	3	Vortex each vial for 5 s prior to use																				
	4	Spin for 5 s to pull down matrix																				
	5	Extract 200 µl supernatant including 10 µl IC using the EasyMag; final elution 60 µl																				
	6	Vortex the eluate for 5 sec; allow to sit in magnetic rack for 10 min																				
<b>MMQCI Testing schedule</b>	7	Analyze RVP control panel according to the RVP protocol <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Test with each new lot/shipment of RVP kits; record results <a href="#">MB 11.08.F2</a></li> <li>▪ Test weekly alternating M244 and M245; record results <a href="#">MB 11.08.F4</a></li> </ul>																				
	8	Freeze eluates at -70° C																				
<b>Internal Control</b> Room 2 F/T 5X	1	No preparation necessary																				
	2	Remove Internal Control (IC) from -70° C freezer; warm to RT before use																				
	3	Add 10 µl to each sample in easyMag vessel to be extracted																				
	4	Mark cap after each use representing one F/T; return to -70° C freezer																				
	5	Freeze/thaw cycles up to 5X																				
<b>Negative Control (NEGC)</b> Room 1	1	Aliquot 300 µl VTM in 1.5 ml micro-centrifuge tubes																				
	2	Label tubes with NEGC and prep date using preprinted labels																				
	3	Label box with VTM lot number and expiry date																				
	4	Store at 2 – 8° C in room 1																				
	5	Store a 1 week working supply in room 2																				
<b>RSV, 2009 H1, H3 and FluB PCTL/EXC</b> Prepare virus Virology Lab	1	Cultivate from stock viral suspensions <table border="1" style="margin-left: 20px;"> <thead> <tr> <th>Virus</th> <th>Cell line</th> <th>CPE</th> <th>Approx CX days</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>2009 H1N1</td> <td>RMK</td> <td>3 – 4+</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Seasonal flu H3</td> <td>RMK</td> <td>3 – 4+</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Influenza B</td> <td>RMK</td> <td>3 – 4+</td> <td>3</td> </tr> <tr> <td>RSV</td> <td>Hep-2</td> <td>3 – 4+</td> <td>3-4</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Virus	Cell line	CPE	Approx CX days	2009 H1N1	RMK	3 – 4+	3	Seasonal flu H3	RMK	3 – 4+	3	Influenza B	RMK	3 – 4+	3	RSV	Hep-2	3 – 4+	3-4
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2	Scrape down cell culture tube to make a new stock suspension																					
<b>Working suspension</b> Room 2	3	Serially dilute each stock suspension using NFW to prepare a 10 <sup>-4</sup> working dilution (total volume approx 25 ml)																				
	4	Add 5 ml of VTM to the suspension; mix well																				
	5	Extract 200 µl of the working dilution (each control)																				
	6	Perform Simplexa FABR PCR testing to determine Ct value; target range 30 – 33																				

Control	Step	Action
Working suspension cont.	7	If necessary, adjust suspension to obtain projected range with NFW / VTM based on the previous Ct value <b>Note:</b> Each 10 fold dilution will increase the Ct value by approx 3 Ct.
	8	Repeat Simplexa FABR testing from new suspension.
Aliquot and freeze Room 2	9	Label a set of 1.5 mL micro-centrifuge tubes for each extraction control (H1, H3, RSV, FluB) using preprinted labels with prep date
	10	Pipette 1.1 mL of working suspension into tubes
	11	Store in -70° C freezer, EXC box
Test aliquots before use	12	Before use: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Thaw one PCTL aliquot</li> <li>▪ Test 5 X using Simplexa FABR</li> <li>▪ Determine average Ct value</li> </ul>
	13	Document Ct values on FABR/RVP PCTL New Reagent Worksheet <a href="#">MB 11.04.F1</a>
	14	Test final dilution of each EXC on RVP assay; attach Currents Report (RUO) to worksheet
	15	Place worksheet, FABR Segment report including graphs and RVP Currents Reports in <i>New Lot Inventory and QC</i> manual
Stability	16	Once thawed, process control is stable for 5 days at refrigerated temperature
	17	Do not refreeze (only 1 F/T cycle)
hMPV PCTL/EXC RVP	1	Pool 2 - 3 known hMPV positive RVP (~nA 100) residual samples; mix well
	2	Serially dilute suspension using NFW to prepare a 10 <sup>-4</sup> working dilution (total volume approx 25 ml)
	3	Add 5 ml of VTM to the suspension; mix well
	4	Extract 200 µl of the working dilutions
	5	Perform hMPV RVP testing to determine nA value <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Final suspension: nA value between 70 – 100</li> <li>▪ Adjust if necessary by adding additional known positive or by diluting</li> <li>▪ Mix well</li> </ul>
	6	Repeat RVP testing
	7	If the nA value is within acceptable range, aliquot suspension
Aliquot/ freeze Room 2	8	Label a set of 1.5 mL micro-centrifuge tubes using preprinted labels with prep date
	9	Pipette 1 mL of working suspension into tubes
	10	Store in -70° C freezer, EXC box
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	13	Place worksheet and Currents Reports in <i>New Lot Inventory and QC</i> manual
Stability	14	Once thawed, hMPV process control is stable for 2 days at 2 – 8° C, 1 year at ≤70° C
	15	Do not refreeze (only 1 F/T cycle)

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RVP PCTL/EXC Rotation	14	Rotate EXC as follows:												
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**PROCEDURE B:** Follow the activity below for preparing master mix (MM)

**Preparing RT-PCR Master Mix (MM)**

Activity	Step	Action																
MM  Room 1	1	<b>MM must be used within 30 min of preparation.</b>																
	2	Wear lab coat and gloves dedicated in the Clean room 1.																
	3	Clean hood and equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sani-Cloth Bleach Wipes (10%) followed by water and 70% alcohol</li> </ul>																
	4	Thaw RVP PCR mix at RT up to 1 h. Place Enzyme mix in a cold block, refrigerated until use.																
	5	Vortex PCR mix 3 – 5 s, making sure it is completely thawed																
	6	Centrifuge the enzyme and PCR mix; place both reagents in cold block																
	7	Prepare MM according to number of reactions needed including POSC and NEGC; Refer to Set-up Table <a href="#">MB 11.04.A1</a>																
	8	Vortex MM and centrifuge; place in cold block until use																
Refreeze rgts	9	Refreeze reagents. Place a hatch mark on each cap to represent one F/T cycle (up to 5X)																
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**PROCEDURE C:** Follow the activity below for preparing Hybridization Solution

**Preparing Hybridization Solution “Hyb”**

Activity	Step	Action
Hyb solution  Room 3	1	Clean hood and equipment <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Sani-Cloth Bleach Wipes (10%) followed by water and 70% alcohol</li> </ul>
	2	Thaw Signal buffer, Buffer 1 and Buffer 2 at RT
	3	Vortex and centrifuge or tap lightly
	4	Prepare hybridization buffer according to number of reactions needed; Refer to Hybridization buffer set-up table <a href="#">MB 11.04.A1</a> ; stable up to 4 hours at RT

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Hyb solution Cont.	5	Label 2 ml tube "Hyb" (may need to prepare 2 tubes for sufficient volume)																		
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**PROCEDURE D:** Follow the activity below for preparing miscellaneous reagents  
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10% Bleach  Dish room	1	Prepare in dish room.											
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70% alcohol  Room 3 or Recycling room	1	Prepare from 100% Dehydrant alcohol located in the Flammable cabinet in the Recycling room.											
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**Historical Record**

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