



For professional use only

HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit
(*PREP-NA* DNA/RNA Extraction Kit included)

USER MANUAL



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1. INTENDED USE

The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** is intended for research and diagnostic applications as well as for evaluation of the therapy efficiency. The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** is an *in vitro* Nucleic Acid Test (NAT) – based on pathogen detection and calculation of viral load. The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** is designed to detect and calculate the viral load of Hepatitis B Virus (HBV) nucleic acids in human blood plasma samples with an aid of Quantitative Real-Time Polymerase Chain Reaction (qPCR) method.

The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** can be used in clinical practice for HBV diagnostics.

2. METHOD

The implemented PCR method is based on amplification of a target DNA sequence.

The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** is based on real-time detection of the target DNA sequence.

Real-time PCR technology is based on measurement of the fluorescence at every cycle of reaction. The PCR-mix contains target-specific hydrolyzing probes bearing reporter and quencher molecules. Once hybridized to a target sequence, the probe become activated. As a result of activation fluorescence increases proportionally to target sequence amplification. The intensity of fluorescence is detected with a real-time PCR thermal cycler data collection unit and analyzed with the software provided.

The assay includes following steps:

-DNA extraction. On this step the internal control sample (DNA-IC) is added to the samples. It is needed for test quality assurance.

-Real-time PCR amplification. The Kit has passed validation on “DNA-Technology” made instruments and software **REF** O-DTPRIME4M1-EU, O-DTPRIME5M1-EU, O-DTLITE4S1-EU, O-DTLITE5S1-EU.

The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kits** **REF** Q2-P602-23/9EU, Q2-P602-S3/9EU and Q2-P602-24/9EU are also approved for use with iQ5 (Bio-Rad Laboratories) and Rotor-Gene (Qiagen) thermal cyclers respectively. The Kit can be supplied in either separate (1x96) or stripped (8x12) tubes. (**REF** Q2-P602-23/9EU, Q2-P602-24/9EU and Q2-P602-S3/9EU respectively).

-Quantitative analysis. The calculation of the viral load of the target DNA is performed with an aid of Standards (ST) with known concentration of artificially synthesized target DNA. The Kit is supplied with STs of the two concentrations 1.0×10^6 (ST1) and 3.0×10^3 copies/mL (ST2). The STs are used to build the standard curve which is necessary to calculate of the viral load in the sample.

3. CONTENT

Table 1. *PREP-NA* DNA/RNA Extraction Kit

Reagent	Description	Total volume	Amount
Lysis buffer	Colorless, soapy liquid	30 mL	1 vial
Precipitation buffer	Colorless liquid	40 mL	1 vial
Washout solution 1	Colorless liquid	50 mL	1 vial
Washout solution 2	Colorless liquid	30 mL	1 vial
Dilution buffer	Colorless liquid	5.0 mL (1.25 mL in each tube)	4 tubes
Negative control	Colorless liquid	3.0mL (1.5 mL in each tube)	2 tubes
Internal control (DNA-IC)	Colorless liquid	1.0 mL	1 tube

Table 2. Standards

Reagent	Description	Total volume	Amount
ST1 (1.0x10 ⁶ copies/mL)	Colorless liquid	75 µL	1 tube
ST2 (3.0x10 ³ copies/mL)	Colorless liquid	75 µL	1 tube

Table 3. HBV Quantitative Real-Time PCR Kit

Reagent	Description	Total volume	Amount
Paraffin sealed PCR-mix	Colorless liquid and white waxy	1.92 mL (0.02 mL per tube)	96 separate (1x96) or stripped (8x12) tubes
TECHNO Taq-polymerase	Colorless viscous liquid	50 µL	1 tube
PCR-buffer	Colorless liquid	1.0 mL (0.5 mL in each tube)	2 tubes
Positive control	Colorless liquid	500 µL	1 tube
Mineral oil (not supplied in Kit for Rotor-Gene)	Colorless viscous liquid	2.0 mL (1.0 mL in each tube)	2 tubes

The approximate total time needed to perform the assay is 4 hours

The *PREP-NA* DNA/RNA Extraction Kit is sufficient for extraction of 100 samples.

The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** is sufficient to test 44 (36 for Rotor-Gene) samples in duplicates.

4. REAGENTS AND EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

4.1 Specimen collection

The whole blood samples should be collected in 2.0 or 4.0 mL Vacuette type tubes with EDTA in 2.0 mg/mL final concentration. The sodium citrate anticoagulant is also applicable.



The use of heparin anticoagulant is not allowed.

4.2 DNA extraction and PCR

Biological (microbiological) safety cabinet class II;

UV PCR cabinet;

Vortex mixer;

Aspirator with trap flask to remove supernatants;

1.5 mL tubes;

PCR tube rack for 0.2, and 1.5 mL tubes;

Vacuum blood collection tubes (Vacuette for example), containing ethylenediaminetetraacetic acid disodium salt (EDTA) or sodium citrate anticoagulant;

Single channel pipettes (volume range 0.5-10 μ L, 5.0-40 μ L, 40-200 μ L, 100-1000 μ L);

RNase and DNase free filtered pipette tips (volume range 20 μ L, 50 μ L, 200 μ L, 1000 μ L);

Powder-free surgical gloves;

Disinfectant solution;

Container for used pipette tips;

High speed centrifuge (RCF 13 000 g);

Thermostat (temperature range from 40 °C to 95 °C);

Refrigerator with freezer;

Real-time PCR thermal cycler.

5. WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

The laboratory makeup should comply the requirements regulating work with microorganisms of I-IV classes of pathogenicity.

Handle and dispose all biological samples, reagents and materials used to carry out the assay as if they were able to transmit infective agents. Avoid direct contact with the biological samples reagents and materials used to carry out the assay. Any material coming in contact with the biological samples must be treated for at least 30 minutes with disinfecting solution or autoclaved for 1 hour at 121 °C before disposal.

Molecular biology procedures, such as nucleic acids extraction, reverse transcription, amplification and detection require qualified staff to avoid the risk of erroneous results, especially due to the degradation of nucleic acids contained in the samples or sample contamination by amplification products.

All oligonucleotide components are produced by artificial synthesis technology according to internal quality control protocol and do not contain blood or products of blood processing.

Positive control is produced by artificial DNA synthesis technology. Positive control does not include parts of infectious agents.

All the liquid solutions are designed for single use and can not be used more than once in amplification reactions. Plastic tubes do not contain phthalates. Do not breathe gas/fumes/vapour/spray produced by the components of the kit. Do not eat/drink components of the kit. Avoid contact with eyes. Do not use the kit after the expiry date provided. Only use the reagents provided in the kit and those recommended by manufacturer. Do not mix reagents from different batches. Do not use reagents from third party manufacturers' kits.

Significant health effects are **NOT** anticipated from routine use of this kit when adhering to the instructions listed in the current manual.

6. DNA EXTRACTION PROTOCOL

The **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** is designed to detect DNA extracted from blood plasma. Shake the tube containing blood sample thoroughly to mix the blood and anticoagulant.



Using of heparin as anticoagulant is not allowed.



The overall storage of the sample should not exceed 6 hours.

The transportation and storage temperature from collecting the sample till analysis should be in between 2 °C and 8 °C range.



Whole blood cannot be frozen.

- 6.1 To obtain the plasma spin the tubes with blood at 3000 rpm for 20 min at room temperature (from 18 °C to 25 °C).
- 6.2 Take the upper fraction (plasma) with an automatic sampler and put it into the new 1.5 mL tube. The blood plasma can be stored at temperature from minus 18 °C to minus 22 °C for no longer than 3 months.



The lysis buffer can contain the precipitate. Dissolve it at 65 °C for 10 min prior to use.



At this step of assay use only disposable RNase and DNase free filter tips



To rise the reliability of the results the extraction should be performed in duplicates.

6.3 Mark the required number of 1.5 mL tubes by the following scheme:

- 2 tubes for each sample to be tested;
- 1 tube for the negative control (C-);
- 1 tube for the positive control (C+).

For example, if you need to test 10 samples, mark 22 tubes (20 for the samples, 1 for “C-“ and 1 for “C+”).

6.4 Add 10 µL of the premixed DNA-IC in each tube.

6.5 Add 300 µL of the lysis buffer avoiding contact of the pipette tip with an edge of the tube. Close the tubes.



Open the tube, add sample, then close the tube before proceeding to the next DNA sample to prevent contamination.

6.6 Add 100 µL of the premixed blood plasma sample into the marked tubes. Do not add samples to the “C-“ and “C+” tubes.

6.7 Add 100 µL of the “C-“ and “C+” into corresponding tubes.

6.8 Vortex the tubes maximally intensively for 3–5 sec twice, spin down the drops at 1000-3000 rpm for 3-5 sec.

6.9 Incubate the tubes for 15 min at 65 °C, spin down the drops at 13000 rpm for 30 sec at room temperature.

6.10 Add 400 µL of the precipitation buffer into each tube. Vortex the tubes maximally intensively for 3–5 sec twice.

6.11 Spin the tubes at 13000 rpm for 15 min at room temperature.

6.12 Remove the supernatant avoiding contact of the pipette tip with the precipitate. Use new tip for each sample.

6.13 Add 500 µL of the washout solution №1 to the precipitate. Vortex the tubes for 3–5 sec. Invert the tube up and down washing of the cap of the tube. It is necessary to carry out this procedure with each tube individually.

6.14 Spin the tubes at 13000 rpm for 5 min at room temperature.

6.15 Remove the supernatant avoiding contact of the pipette tip with the precipitate. Use new tip for each sample.

6.16 Add 300 µL of the washout solution №2 to the precipitate and gently invert the tube up and down washing of the walls and the cap of the tube. It is necessary to carry out this procedure with each tube individually.

6.17 Spin the tubes at 13000 rpm for 5 min at room temperature.

6.18 Remove the supernatant avoiding contact of the pipette tip with the precipitate. Use new tip for each sample.

6.19 Open the tubes and dry the precipitate at 65 °C for 5 min strictly.

- 6.20 Add 25 μL of the dilution buffer to the precipitate. Spin down the drops for 3–5 sec.
- 6.21 Incubate the tubes for 10 min at 65 °C, vortex them maximally intensively.
- 6.22 Spin down the drops at 13000 rpm for 30 sec.
- 6.23 The preparation can be stored:
- at the temperature from 2 °C to 8 °C for no longer than 7 days;
 - at temperature from minus 18 °C to minus 22 °C for no longer than 1 month;
 - at temperature from minus 70 °C to minus 72 °C for no longer than 1 year.



For PCR samples which were stored under the temperature from minus 18 °C to minus 22 °C and from minus 70 °C to minus 72 °C need to be thawed at the room temperature. After that the samples and calibrators should be vortexed for 3-5 sec and centrifugated at 1000-3000 rpm for 3-5 sec at the room temperature.

The nucleic acid preparation is ready.

7. PCR PROTOCOL

- 7.1 Mark tubes with PCR-mix for each test sample, negative control (C-), positive control (C+) and three tubes for each of the Standards (ST1 and ST2).

For example if you need to test 10 samples, mark 28 tubes (20 for each sample in duplicate, 1 for C-, 1 for C+, 3 for ST1 and 3 for ST2).



Mark only the caps of the tubes when using Rotor-Gene Thermal Cycler.

- 7.2 Thaw PCR-buffer at the room temperature
- 7.3 Mix the PCR-buffer and TECHNO Taq-polymerase thoroughly (3-5 sec), then spin briefly (1-3 sec) at room temperature.



Hold TECHNO Taq-polymerase at room temperature as short time as possible. The overheating is detrimental to its performance.

- 7.4 Prepare the mixture of PCR-buffer and TECHNO Taq-polymerase. Add into the one tube:
10 x (N+1) μL of PCR-buffer;
0.5 x (N+1) μL of TECHNO Taq-polymerase,
N — number of the marked tubes including “C-”, “C+”, “ST1” and “ST2”.
- 7.5 Vortex the tube with the mixture of PCR-buffer and TECHNO Taq-polymerase for 3-5 sec and spin down the drops for 1-3 sec at room temperature.



The maximum storage time for the mixture of PCR-buffer and TECHNO Taq-polymerase is 1 hour at temperatures between 2 °C and 8 °C.

- 7.6 Add 10 μL of the mixture of PCR-buffer and TECHNO Taq-polymerase into each tube. Avoid paraffin layer break.
- 7.7 Add 20 μL of mineral oil into each tube. Avoid paraffin layer break (skip this step when using Q2-P602-24/9EU – for Rotor-Gene). Close the tubes.
- 7.8 Add 5.0 μL of DNA sample prepared according to p.6.23 into corresponding tube. Avoid paraffin layer break.



Open the tube, add DNA sample, then close the tube before proceeding to the next DNA sample to prevent contamination. Use filter tips.

- 7.9 Add 5.0 μL of “C-” and “C+” (prepared in p.6.23) into corresponding tubes. Avoid paraffin layer break.
- 7.10 Add 5.0 μL of into tubes marked as “ST1” and “ST2” (three tubes for each). Avoid paraffin layer break.
- 7.11 Spin tubes briefly (1-3 s) at room temperature (not applicable to kits approved for use with Rotor-Gene thermal cycler).
- 7.12 Set the tubes to Real-Time PCR Thermal Cycler.

Launch the Thermal Cycler software and run PCR according to instructions supplied with device. See table 4-7 to refer the cycling program and table 8 to refer the detection channels.

In case of working on DT device, launch the RealTime_PCR application in “Device handling” mode. Upload the ini file HBV_RQ_en.ini before the first run. Add corresponding test hereafter. Specify the number and types of samples including negative controls. Define position of tubes in the software interface according to the position they were set in the thermoblock. Run PCR.

Table 4. The PCR program for DTlite and DTprime Thermal Cyclers

Step	Temperature, °C	Min	Sec	Number of cycles	Optical measurement	Type of the step
1	94.0	5	00	1		Cycle
2	94.0	0	10	50		Cycle
	62.0	0	20		v	
3	10.0	...	...	...		Holding

Table 5. The PCR program for iCycler iQ5 thermal cyclers (with persistent well factor)

Cycle	Repeats	Step	Dwell time	Setpoint, °C	PCR/Melt Data Acquisition
1	1				
		1	05:00	94.0	
2	50				
		1	00:10	94.0	
		2	00:20	62.0	Real Time
3	1				
4	...	...		10.0	Storage

Table 6. The PCR program for iCycler iQ5 thermal cyclers (with dynamic factor)

Cycle	Repeats	Step	Dwell time	Setpoint, °C	PCR/Melt Data Acquisition
dynamicwf.tmo program					
1	1				
		1	00:30	80.0	
		2	05:00	94.0	
2	5				
		1	00:20	94.0	
		2	00:30	62.0	
3	2				
		1	00:20	80.0	Real Time
PCR program					
4	45				
		1	00:10	94.0	
		2	00:20	62.0	Real Time
5		...	...	10.0	Storage

Table 7. The PCR program for Rotor-Gene Thermal Cyclers

Cycling	Temperature	Hold Time	Cycle Repeats
Cycling	80 °C	300 sec	1 time
Cycling 2	94 °C	10 sec	50 times
	58 °C	5 sec	
	62 °C ¹	25 sec	

Table 8. Detection channels

	Specific product	IC
DTprime, DTlite, iQ and IQ5	FAM	HEX
Rotor-Gene	Green	Yellow

8. CONTROLS

Table 9.

Control	The controlled step	Result		Interpretation
		Specific signal is present	Specific signal is absent	
C+	PCR	+	+	Valid
		-	-	Invalid
C-	PCR and DNA extraction	+	+	Invalid
		-	-	Valid
DNA-IC	PCR and DNA extraction	+	+	Valid
		-		Valid
			-	Invalid

The sample is considered positive if the signal for specific DNA is present. The signal for IC could be absent in samples with high concentration of specific DNA due to competitive priming.

The sample is considered negative if the signal for specific DNA is absent and for IC is present.

If the specific signal for C- is present, whole tests of current batch considered false. Test should be repeated.

¹ - take the measurement

9. DATA ANALYSIS

The analysis performed automatically. After completion of the run the device will build standard curve, define the concentration of viral DNA and form the report. The PCR efficiency should be in 90-100% range. The interpretation should be performed in accordance with table 10.

Table 10.

Detection channel		Interpretation
FAM/Green copies/mL	HEX/Yellow Cp (Ct)*	
Test samples		
$7.5 \times 10^2 - 1.0 \times 10^8$	Not considered	Positive with specified viral load (copies/mL)
Less than 7.5×10^2	Not considered	Positive with notification « Less than 750 copies/mL » (no specified value)
More than 1.0×10^8	Not considered	Positive with notification « More than 1.0×10^8 copies/mL » (no specified value)
Not specified (N/A)	Specified (Cp/Ct 29-34)	Negative
Not specified (N/A)	Not specified (N/A)	Uncertain
C+		
$2.0 \times 10^4 - 9.0 \times 10^4$ **	Not considered	Positive with specified viral load (copies/mL)
C-		
Not specified	Specified (Cp/Ct 29-34)	Negative

*if the Ct value more than specified in the table the result must be considered as uncertain.

**If the concentration of the C+ does not fit the $2.0 \times 10^4 - 9.0 \times 10^4$ range the test should be repeated.

10. TROUBLESHOOTING

Table 11

	Specific product	IC	Possible cause	Solution
C+	-	-	Operation error PCR inhibition Violation of storage and handling requirements	1. Repeat PCR PROTOCOL (starting from p. 8). 2. If the result repeats - contact the manufacturer.
C-	+	+	Contamination	1. Repeat RNA EXTRACTION PROTOCOL (starting from p. 6) 2. Perform decontamination procedures. 3. If the result repeats - contact the manufacturer.
Sample	+/-	-	Operation error PCR inhibition Violation of storage and handling requirements	1. Repeat RNA EXTRACTION PROTOCOL (starting from p. 6) 2. If the result repeats - contact the manufacturer.

11. STORAGE, TRANSPORTATION AND HANDLING REQUIREMENTS

Shelf life - 9 months if all the conditions of transportation, storage and operation are met.

All components of the **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** except Paraffin sealed PCR-mix, ST1, ST2 and C+ must be stored at temperature from minus 18 °C to minus 22 °C over the storage period. The PCR-buffer and mineral oil can be stored at temperatures between 2 °C and 8 °C.

The Paraffin sealed PCR-mix, "ST1", "ST2", "C+" and *PREP-NA* DNA/RNA Extraction Kit must be stored at temperatures between 2 °C and 8 °C over the storage period.

Transportation can be held by all types of roofed transport with adherence to above mentioned temperature requirements.

An expired **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** must not be used.

We strongly recommend following the instructions to get robust and reliable results.

The conformity of the **HBV Quantitative REAL-TIME PCR Kit** to the prescribed technical requirements is subject to compliance of storage, carriage and handling conditions recommended by manufacturer.

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12. SPECIFICATIONS

- a. **Analytical specificity:** the **HBV Quantitative Real-Time PCR Kit** allows detection of all known HBV subtypes. The samples containing HBV will be defined as positive and characterized quantitatively. The samples not containing HBV will be defined as negative.
- b. **Linear range:** $7.5 \times 10^2 - 1.0 \times 10^8$ copies/mL.
- c. **Variation coefficient:** less than 7%.
- d. **Sensitivity:** not less than 200 copies of HBV DNA per 1 mL of blood plasma.


















The claimed specifications are guaranteed when DNA extraction is performed with *PREP-NA* DNA/RNA Extraction Kit.


13. QUALITY CONTROL

"DNA-Technology, Research&Production" LLC declares that the above mentioned products meet the provision of the Council Directive 98/79/EC for *In Vitro* Diagnostic Medical Devices. The quality control procedures performed in accordance with ISO 9001:2008 and ISO 13485:2003.

14. KEY TO SYMBOLS

	Caution		Manufacturer
	Consult instructions for use		Negative control
	Date of manufacture		Positive control
	Expiration date		Catalogue number
	In vitro diagnostic medical device		Sufficient for
	Batch code		Temperature limitation
	Version		Upper limit of temperature

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