

Test Menu

TOPIC	DESCRIPTION
Test Name	SARS-CoV-2, 2019-Novel Coronavirus
Other Name (s)	COVID-19, Hologic Panther SARS-CoV-2
Analyte(s)	SARS-CoV-2 (Coronavirus)
Test Code	9555
Lab location	Jacksonville, Miami, and Tampa locations
Department	Virology
Pre-Approval Required	None
Additional Required Forms	None
Specimen Source	Oropharyngeal, nasopharyngeal, and nasal swabs
Special Specimen Preparation	-Break swab at indicated scoreline. -Do not use parafilm -Make sure that the lid is on tightly -DO NOT puncture the foil cap
Minimum Volume	Do not pour out or spill the media in collection kit. Use a new kit if media is spilled. <u>1mL if using VTM/UTM</u>
Storage Conditions	Specimens in VTM/UTM can be stored at 2-8° C for up 72 hours. Longer than 72 hours, store at ≤-70° C.
Collection Media	Hologic Direct Load Collection Kits (preferred): oropharyngeal and nasal swabs. Swabs in VTM/UTM: nasopharyngeal, oropharyngeal, and nasal swabs
Specimen Labeling	-Specimen must be labeled with at least two unique patient identifiers, Ex: Name and DOB. Information on the specimen must match the requisition. -Electronic lab order preferred, HMS, PDSL, etc.
Packaging and Shipping Instructions and Handling	Specimens must be shipped in coolers with enough ice packs to keep the specimen at 2-30°C during transportation and received at with lab within 72hrs of collection. Ship on gel ice packs. If frozen, ship on dry ice. Specimen can not be tested if received more than 6 days after collection.
Test Methodology	TMA
Turnaround Time	48 hours after receipt at the laboratory
Result Indicator	SARS-CoV-2 Detected or SARS-CoV-2 Not Detected or Invalid
Unsatisfactory Specimen	Swab not broken at indicated scoreline, specimen leaked during transportation, Incorrect swab used for collection, etc.
Interferences and Limitations	Contaminated media (excess mucus during collection)
Additional Information & Notes	Collection kits may be requested from your servicing laboratory.
Reference Range	Negative (Not Detected)
Reference Lab	None
Reflex testing	None

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Source: Oropharyngeal or Nasal
Break swab at the Black Scoreline

