RapiDxFire 1-step RT-qPCR System quick protocol

For specific guidance on SARS-CoV-2 testing, please refer to the RapiDxFire™ 1-step RTgPCR System for SARS-CoV-2 detection quick protocol.

- 1. Thaw components at room temperature and mix well by vortex prior to use.
- 2. Prepare stock (100 µM) oligonucleotides by multiplying the nmol amount (e.g. 14.2 nM) by 10 $(14.2 \times 10 = 142)$. This is the volume of diluent, in μ L, $(142 \mu$ L) to be added to the tube.
- 3. Prepare working assay mixes as described in Table 1:

Component		y mix (for final volumes >5 µL)	80x assay mix (for final reaction volumes <5 μL)	
	Volume	Working concentration	Volume	Working concentration
100 μM primer (each)	20 µL	20 μΜ	40 µL	40 μM
100 μM probe (each)	8 µL	8 µM	16 µL	16 μΜ
Diluent	to 100 μL	-	to 100 μL	-
Total volume	100 µL	-	100 μL	-

Table 1. Preparation of 40x and 80x working assay mixes to allow for assay set-up with final oligonucleotide concentrations of 500 nM primer and 200 nM probe.

4. Prepare reaction mixes, for either singleplex or multiplex reactions (Table 2).

Component	1.6 μL* ³	5 μL	10 μL	20 μL	25 μL	Final concentration
RapiDxFire qPCR 5X Master Mix	0.32 μL	1 μL	2 μL	4 μL	5 μL	1X
EpiScript™ RNase H- Reverse Transcriptase, 200 U/μL	0.04 μL	0.125 μL	0.25 μL	0.5 μL	0.625 μL	5 U/μL
Assay mix*1 (40x or 80x)	0.02 µL (80x assay mix)	0.125 µL (40x assay mix)	0.25 µL (40x assay mix)	0.5 µL (40x assay mix)	0.625 µL (40x assay mix)	500 nM primer, 200 nM probe
Template RNA	No more than 1.26 µL	No more than 3.375 µL	No more than 7.75 μL	No more than 16.5 µL	No more than 19.375 µL	As required
SuperROX (optional)	0.01 μL	0.03 μL	0.07 µL	0.13 µL	0.17 μL	100 nM
Water*2	-	to 5 µL	to 10 µL	to 20 μL	to 25 μL	-

Table 2. Example of a singleplex or multiplex reaction set-up.

5. Place the reaction tubes/plates in a qPCR instrument and run the desired qPCR protocol (Table 3). Ensure instrument is set to read at the appropriate channels for the selected probes.

Step	Temperature	Time	Number of cycles	
1	42 °C	15 minutes	1	
2	95 °C	2 minutes	1	
3*	95 °C	3 seconds	45	
	55 °C-60 °C	30 seconds	45	

Table 3. Guide for thermal cycling protocol, for RT-gPCR.

For any queries about this quick protocol, please visit our RapiDxFire 1-step RT-qPCR System webpage or contact techsupport@lgcgroup.com

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^{*140}x or 80x assay mix volumes to be added for each assay per target, per reaction

^{*2}Volume to be adjusted to account for any addition of passive reference dye.

^{*3}If working with Array Tape™ platforms from LGC, Biosearch Technologies™ (e.g. IntelliQube™, Nexar™), generation of a 2X mix is recommended for pipetting accuracy. Please contact techsupport@lgcgroup.com for further guidance.

^{*}Step 3 can be modified to account for the specific Tm of the primers/probes in the specific assay