

# Dengue NS1 Ag Rapid Test (Serum/Plasma/Whole Blood)

For Rapid qualitative detection of NS1 Antigen to dengue virus In human serum, plasma or whole blood.

Only for *In Vitro* diagnostic use.

## CLINICAL SIGNIFICANCE

Dengue virus, a virus belonging to the flavivirus group of viruses, is one of the most significant mosquito-borne diseases in the world in terms of morbidity and mortality. Transmitted principally by the mosquito types *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*, the virus is found commonly throughout the tropic and subtropic regions of the world. There are four known serotypes of dengue. Symptoms of dengue fever include high fever, headache, muscle pain and skin rash. The complications often associated with this infection are dengue hemorrhagic fever or dengue shock syndrome.

Dengue NS1 Antigen Test provides an excellent methodology for specifically detecting Dengue NS1 antigen within up to 1 day of infection.

## PRINCIPLE

The Dengue NS1 Antigen Test Device (Serum/ Plasma/Whole Blood) is a qualitative test for the detection of NS1 antigen to dengue virus in human serum, plasma or whole blood. Only serum, plasma, or whole blood samples may be used with this test. First a specimen is dispensed buffer; the Gold antibody conjugate will bind to Dengue antigen in the specimen sample which in turn will bind with Anti-Dengue NS1 coated on the membrane. As the reagent moves across the membrane, the Dengue NS1 antibody on the membrane will bind the antibody-antigen complex causing pale or dark pink line to form at the test line region of the test membrane. The intensity of the lines will vary depending upon the amount of antigen present in the sample. The appearance of pink line in the test region should be considered as positive result.

## REAGENTS AND MATEREIALS PROVIDED

Dengue Ns1 Test cards contain the following:

- Test Device with activated silica gel
- Plastic Dropper.
- Assay Buffer Bottle
- Package Insert (Instruction for use)

## MATERIALS MAY BE REQUIRED AND NOT PROVIDED

- Positive Control
- Negative Control

## MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDE

- Timer
- Digital Clock
- Specimen collection container Tube

## WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS:

### *For in Vitro Diagnostic Use*

- This package insert must be read completely before performing the test.
- The test device should remain in the sealed pouch until use
- Do not use expired devices.
- Do not use the kit if the cassette package is damaged or the seal is broken.
- Bring all reagent to room temperature (15-30°C) before use.
- Do not use hemolyzed blood specimens for testing.
- Wear personal protective equipment, such as gloves and lab coats when handling kit reagents. Wash hands thoroughly after performing the test.
- Do not smoke, drink or eat in areas where specimens or kit reagents are being handled.
- Dispose of all specimens and material used to perform the test as bio-hazardous waste.

## REAGENT PREPARATION AND STORAGE

**INSTRUCTIONS:** All reagents are ready to use as supplied. Store unused test device unopened at 2-30 °C, ensure that the test device brought to room temperature before opening. The test device is

stable through the expiration date printed on the sealed pouch. Do not freeze the kit or expose the kit to temperature 30°C.

## SPECIMEN COLLECTION, STORAGE AND HANDLING

Consider any materials of human origin as infectious and handle them using standard bio-safety procedures.

### 1. Plasma

- **Step 1:** Collect blood specimen into a lavender, blue or green top collection tube (containing EDTA, citrate or heparin, respectively, in Vacutainer®) by venipuncture.
- **Step 2:** Separate the plasma by centrifugation.
- **Step 3:** Carefully withdraw the plasma into a new per-labeled tube.

### 2. Serum

- **Step 1:** Collect blood specimen into a red top collection tube (containing no anti coagulants in Vacutainer®) by venipuncture.
- **Step 2:** Allow the blood to clot.
- **Step 3:** Separate the serum by centrifugation.
- **Step 4:** Carefully withdraw the serum into a new pre-labeled tube.

Test specimens as soon as possible after collecting. Store Specimens at 2-8°C if not tested immediately, for up to 5 days. The specimens should be frozen at -20°C for longer storage.

### 3. Whole Blood

- Drops of whole blood can be obtained by either finger tip puncture or venipuncture. Collect blood specimen into a lavender, blue or green top collection tube (containing EDTA, citrate or heparin, respectively in Vacutainer®). Do not use hemolyzed blood for testing.
- Whole blood specimens should be store in refrigeration (2-8°C), if not tested immediately. The specimens must be tested within 24 hours of collection.

## DIRECTIONS FOR USE

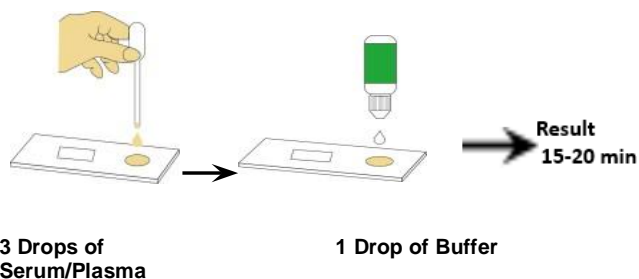
Allow test cassette, specimen, and/or controls to equilibrate to room temperature (15-30°C) prior to testing.

1. Bring the pouch to room temperature before opening it.
2. Remove the test cassette from the sealed pouch and place it on flat dry surface.
3. **For Serum or Plasma Specimen:** Hold the dropper vertically and transfer **3 drop** of serum or plasma (**approximately 75µl**) to the specimen area, then add **1 drop** of buffer (**approximately 40µl**), and start the timer, see illustration below.

**.For Whole Blood Specimen:** Hold the dropper vertically and transfer **3 drop** of whole blood (**approximately 75µl**) to the specimen area, then add **1 drops** of buffer (**approximately 40µl**), and start the timer. See illustration below.

4. Wait for the colored line(s) to appear. The test result should be read at 15-20 minutes.

**Note. Do not interpret the result after 20 minutes.**



3 Drops of  
Serum/Plasma

1 Drop of Buffer

Result  
15-20 min



3 Drops of Whole Blood

1 Drop of Buffer

Result  
15-20 min

## INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

Please refer to the illustration above.

**POSITIVE:** Two distinct colored lines appear. One color line should be in the control region (C) and another color line should be in the test region (T).



\*NOTE: The intensity of the color in the test line region (T) will vary depending on the concentration of Dengue Ns1 Antigen present in the specimen. Therefore, any shade of red in the test region should be considered positive.

**NEGATIVE :** One color line appears in the control region (C). No apparent red or pink line appears in the test region (T).



**INVALID :** Control line fails to appear. Insufficient specimen volume or incorrect procedural techniques are the most likely reasons for control line failure.



Review the procedure and repeat the test with a new test cassette. If the problem persists, discontinue using the test kit immediately and contact your local distributor.

## QUALITY CONTROL

region (C) is an internal positive procedural control. It confirms sufficient specimen volume. Control standards are not supplied with this kit; however, it is recommended that positive and negative controls be tested as a good laboratory practice to confirm the test procedure and to verify proper test performance.

## LIMITATIONS OF THE TEST

1. The Assay Procedure and the Assay Result Interpretation must be followed closely when testing the presence of dengue Ag in serum or plasma from individual subjects. Failure to follow the procedure may give inaccurate results.
2. The Dengue NS1 Rapid Test is limited to the qualitative detection of dengue Ag in human whole blood, serum or plasma. The intensity of the test band does not linearly correlate with dengue Ag Test of the specimen.
3. A negative test result does not preclude the possibility of exposure to or infection with dengue viruses.
4. A negative result can occur if the quantity of dengue Ag present in the specimen is below the detection limits of the assay, or the

dengue Ag that are detected are not present during the stage of disease in which a sample is collected.

5. Some specimens containing unusually high titer of heterophile antibodies or rheumatoid factor may affect expected results.
6. If the symptom persists, while the result from Dengue NS1 Rapid Test is negative or non-reactive result, it is recommended to re-sample the patient few days later or test with an alternative test device such as PCR, ELISA.
7. The results obtained with this test should only be interpreted in conjunction with other diagnostic procedures and clinical findings.

## PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

### Sensitivity and Specificity

The Dengue NS1 Rapid Test Cassette (Whole Blood/Serum/Plasma) has passed a seroconversion panel and compared with a leading commercial Dengue Ag EIA test using clinical specimens.

| Method  | Results  | Dengue Ag EIA |          | Total Result |
|---|----------|---------------|----------|--------------|
|   |          | Positive      | Negative |              |
| Dengue NS1 Rapid Test Cassette (Whole Blood/Serum/Plasma) | Positive | 143           | 2        | 145          |
|   | Negative | 0             | 200      | 200          |
| Total Result  |          | 143           | 202      | 345          |

**Relative Sensitivity:** 98.6%

**Relative Specificity:** 100.0%

**Accuracy :** 99.0%

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