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Sub: Performance evaluation report of Truenat Influenza A/B kit Version-03

Sir,

We have evaluated Truenat Influenza A/B kit Version-03 (REF 601200020) RT PCR kit manufactured by Molbio Diagnostics Private Limited. Detailed report is attached for your information.

Thank you.

Prof. Priya Abraham  
Director

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## PERFORMANCE EVALUATION REPORT FOR RT-PCR DIAGNOSTIC KIT

- Name of the Kit Truenat Influenza A/B kit Version-03
- Name of the manufacture Molbio Diagnostics Pvt. Ltd
- Catalog and batch no REF 601200020, batch no AB006, AB007
- Date of Expiry 2022-09
- Application Truenat Influenza A/B is a chip-based real time duplex RT-PCR assay intended for the detection of Influenza A and Influenza B virus in human throat and nasal swab specimen. RT-PCR test is based on Taqman chemistry.
- Kit components Truenat Influenza A/B is a disposable, chip based duplex RT-PCR test with freeze dried RT-PCR reagents in micro-tube. Individually sealed pouches containing a Truenat Influenza A/B micro PCR chip, Microtube with freeze dried RT-PCR reagents and DNase & RNase free pipette tip.
- Method RNA was extracted using MagMax RNA extraction kit as per kit protocol. The samples were tested simultaneously with gold standard (WHO/CDC protocol for Influenza A and Influenza B) and Truenat Influenza A/B kit. The gold standard assay was performed on Applied Biosystems 7500 Fast Real Time PCR System. Truenat Influenza A/B assay was performed as per kit protocol on Truelab Quattro real time quantitative micro PCR analyzer. Two different lots of Truenat Influenza A/B kit (REF 601200020, batch no AB006, AB007) were evaluated for sensitivity and specificity against the gold standard. Respiratory clinical samples well stored at -80 °C were used for evaluation.
- Sample Panel
  - Positive samples 42 Influenza A (H1N1: 19, H3N2: 23) and 40 Influenza B
  - Negative samples 77\* Influenza negatives

\*A total 6 samples showed invalid results hence removed from the final analysis.
- Results interpretation Result interpretation of Truenat Influenza A/B assay was carried out as per kit protocol. At the end of the test run, result is displayed on machine screen as Influenza A 'DETECTED' or Influenza B 'DETECTED' for positive result or 'NOT DETECTED' for negative result. For test validity, internal positive control (IPC) is also checked and depending on IPC detection validity of test run is counted. The validity of the test run is also displayed as 'VALID' or 'INVALID'. IPC validates the test run from samples to result. The result screen also display the viral load as 'HIGH', 'MEDIUM' or 'LOW' or 'VERY LOW' with ct values.

We have also calculated individual virus target sensitivity and specificity.

**Sensitivity and specificity of the Truenat Influenza A/B kit for Influenza A virus**

		Gold standard (WHO/CDC Protocol)		
		Positive	Negative	Total
Truenat Influenza A/B kit	Positive	42	24	66
	Negative	0	87	87
	Total	42	111	153

	Estimate (%)	CI 95%
Sensitivity	100	91.62 - 100
Specificity	78.38	69.84 - 85.02

**Sensitivity and specificity of the Truenat Influenza A/B kit for Influenza B virus**

		Gold standard (WHO/CDC Protocol)		
		Positive	Negative	Total
Truenat Influenza A/B kit	Positive	40	0	40
	Negative	0	113	113
	Total	40	113	153

	Estimate (%)	CI 95%
Sensitivity	100	91.24 - 100
Specificity	100	96.71 - 100

• **Conclusions: NOT SATISFACTORY**


ICMR guideline was followed for kit performance evaluation.


**Disclaimers**

1. ICMR's validation process does not approve/disapprove the kit design
2. ICMR's validation process does not certify user friendliness of the kit/assay
3. Validation of a kit by ICMR is not an assurance that the kit specifications would be included in the tendering process.

This evaluation report is exclusively for Truenat Influenza A/B kit (REF 601200020) Version-03 manufactured by Molbio Diagnostics Pvt Ltd.

(Sensitivity and specificity have been assessed in controlled lab setting using the kits of the batch no. (AB006, AB007) provided by the manufacturer)

  
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