

Technical Bulletin

NEW BD Universal Viral and Copan Universal Transport Media Compatibility with the QuickVue[®] Influenza A+B Test Kit

When using transport media with swab samples, minimal dilution of the sample is recommended. Care should be taken so as not to excessively dilute the specimen, as this may result in decreased test sensitivity. One (1) milliliter or less is suggested for optimal rapid test performance. When performing the QuickVue assay, use 300 µl of sample suspended in the media per the nasal wash/nasal aspirate procedure. You may cut the swab shaft to accommodate the transport tube length. The following transport media are compatible with the QuickVue Influenza A+B test:

Transport Media	Recommended Storage Condition			Recommended SKU
	2-25°C for 8 hours	2-25°C for 24 hours	2-8°C for 48 hours	
BD Universal Viral Transport Media	Yes	Yes	Yes	BD Cat. #220244, 1mL
Bartels Flextrans Media	Yes	No	No	
Copan Universal Transport Media	Yes	Yes	Yes	Copan Cat. #350c, 1mL
Hank's Balanced Salt Solution	Yes	No	No	
M5 Media	Yes	No	No	
Saline	Yes	No	No	
Starplex Scientific Multitrans Media	Yes	No	Yes	Starplex Cat. # S160-NASO-1, includes NP flocced swab. Media without a swab can be special ordered
Storage of sample in a clean, dry, closed container	Yes	No	No	Quidel Cat. # 20171

The M4-3, M4-RT, Liquid Amies-D, Amies Clear, Modified Stuart's, and Remel M6 transport media are not compatible with this device.

Please contact Quidel Technical Support at 800-874-1517 (USA only), 858-552-1100 or technicalsupport@quidel.com if you have any questions regarding the QuickVue Influenza A+B test or any other Quidel product. Our hours of operation are Monday-Friday, 7:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

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