

ASSAY NAME: CMV (Cytomegalovirus for QuantStudio)

Quantity: 100 x 20µL PCR reactions

2-plex assay: Cytomegalovirus and human RPP30 DNA

SKU #: PNP-CMV-D-QS-100 (QuantStudio)

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SCOPE OF THIS PRODUCT INFORMATION SHEET:

The oligonucleotide recipes are optimized for each instrument (QuantStudio, BioRad). The verification data presented in this IFU were performed using PNP-HPN1-D-QS-100 on a QuantStudio™ 7 Flex Real-Time System. The performance of the other SKUs on their corresponding instrument should be similar. Contact PCRassays.com if you are planning to use a different instrument.

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The primers and probes in the CMV assay are provided in Tube 1 as a 20X concentrated working solution that detects CMV and a human extraction control.

Table of Dyes used in this assay:

Pathogen/Target	Dyes	Quencher	Refs.
CMV	FAM	BHQ-1	1,2
RPP30-DNA control	TAMRA	BHQ-2	3, 4

The probes are designed as TaqMan⁵ cleavage mechanism and thus the reaction requires a DNA polymerase with 5'-exonuclease activity.

ASSAY HANDLING

The CMV bundle is shipped on ice and should be stored at -20 °C. The tubes should be kept on ice once thawed. Do not subject the enzyme to multiple freeze-thaw cycles.

Any contamination should be avoided by using appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE), powder free gloves, aerosol barrier pipette tips, and a clean hood.

ASSAY CONTENTS:

Tube 1: 20X Primer/Probe mix for CMV and hRPP30DNA.

Tube 2: (Do NOT add to specimen unknowns) Positive control: Synthetic 500 bp DNA fragments for CMV and hRPP30DNA.

Tube 3: InhibiTaq qPCR enzyme Mastermix (enough for 100 rxns. with 20 µL total volume). This is a custom formulation from Fortis Life Sciences to the specifications of PCRassays.com.



EXPERIMENTAL

Perform nucleic acid extraction/purification (recommended).

Set up your PCR reaction (20 µL) as follows on ice:

Component	Volume (µL)
InhibiTaq enzyme mastermix (2X)	10
Primer/Probe mix (20X)	1
Sample	2
Water	7

Notes: To improve assay sensitivity, up to 9 µL of sample can be added (water volume adjusted accordingly) for a total reaction volume of 20 µL. For positive control rxns., add 2 µL of the solution from Tube 2. Molecular biology grade water (NOT included) should be used to prepare the PCR reactions

A PCR protocol was used for verification on a QuantStudio™ 7 Flex Real-Time System, with the following program:

Step	Thermocycling Protocol:
1	Incubate @ 95 °C for 2 minutes
2	Incubate @ 95 °C for 3 seconds
3	Incubate @ 55 °C for 22 seconds
4	Plate Read
5	Go to Step 2, repeat 44× more

RESULT INTERPRETATION

After running the qPCR reaction, perform a regression analysis on the data to determine the quantification cycle, C_q. (C_q is preferred over Ct). Each fluorescence channel with a C_q < 38 cycles and final RFU >200,000 on QuantStudio 5, 6, 7, 12K instruments is considered “positive” or “+” in the Table below.

CMV FAM™	hRPP30 TAMRA™	Recommended Interpretation
—	—	The PCR reaction failed. Please repeat the experiment
—	+	The sample does not contain pathogen DNA. The sample contains human RPP30 DNA.
+	—	The sample contains CMV DNA. The sample may not contain human RPP30 DNA.
+	+	The sample contains CMV DNA and human RPP30 DNA.

VERIFICATION EXPERIMENTS

The CMV primers and probes were previously verified as part of the study of a 5 plex assay (SKU#: PNP-HPN1-D-QS-100), which simultaneously detects DNA from CMV, HSV-1, HSV-2, VZV, and human RPP30 DNA, which serves as a positive extraction-control assay. Data from the CMV and control channel are presented below to show the performance expected for the CMV assay.

Experiments were performed in triplicate using the experimental procedure given above, but with different samples added to each reaction. The samples used for the verification experiments contained 1×10^4 copies/reaction of 500 bp synthetic DNA constructs (from Twist Biosciences) harboring the regions of interest from the pathogen genomes, human RPP30 DNA gene, and human genomic DNA. The results of these experiments are shown in **Figure 1** and indicate that the 2-plex specifically detects CMV in the human genomic DNA matrix.

NOTES

- ¹ FAM™ (Carboxyfluorescein) is a trademark of Life Technologies, Inc
- ² BHQ-1™ (Black Hole Quencher) is a trademark of Biosearch Technologies, Inc.
- ³ TAMRA (Carboxyltetramethylrhodamine) is a trademark of Applera Cor.
- ⁴ BHQ-2™ (Black Hole Quencher) is a trademark of Biosearch Technologies, Inc.
- ⁵ “TaqMan” is a trademark of Roche Molecular Systems, Inc.

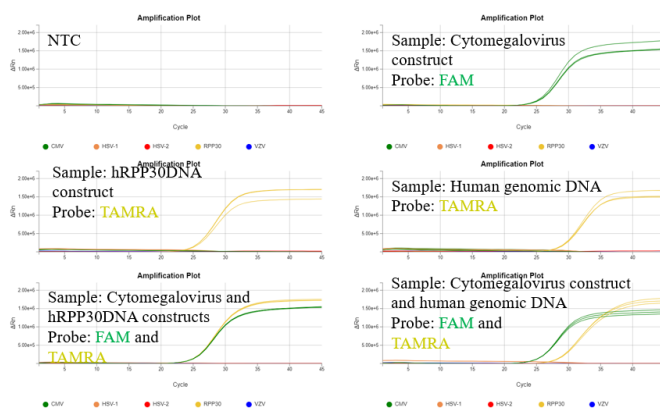


Figure 1: Verification experiments with single targets (given in text boxes for each panel). All sets of probes and primers are present in every reaction, but positive signal is only observed when the target(s) is present, indicating that the amplification is specific. Signal from single molecule events show Cq >38 and are considered negative.

The limit of detection (LOD) was estimated by performing serial dilution experiments in triplicate (**Figure 2**). For dilution series only target construct was added. The results show a limit of detection (LOD) <10 copies/reaction.

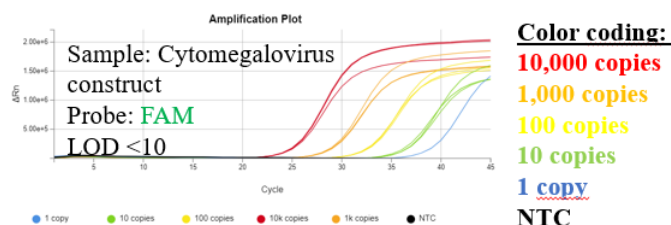


Figure 2: Serial dilution experiments show LOD <10 molecules for the synthetic DNA construct of each target.

Conclusion: The data in **Figure 1** indicate that the 5-plex primers and probes specifically detect and differentiate the viral types and are also compatible with RPP30_DNA positive control primers. Verifications of the four 2-plex assays (pathogen + control assays) (data not shown) indicate that human genomic DNA matrix doesn't affect detection of the pathogen DNA.

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