RNASound™ RNA Sampling Card

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Rapid Nucleic Acids

ReadyPunched™

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Keep cards refrigerated; Limit inevitable out of refrigerator exposure < 3 weeks; Keep other kit components at room temp

Safety information

Slightly hazardous (irritant, sensitizer) in case of skin and/or eye contact, always wear gloves and safety glasses.

Description:

RNASound™ RNA Sampling Card unprecedentedly stabilizes RNA on filter paper by the proprietary impregnating lysis buffer. It features:

- Room temperature RNA sample collection, storage and transportation;
- Immediate inactivation and thus safe handling of infectious agents;
- Easy RNA recovery;
- Integrated RNA sample collection and RNA recovery

ReadyPunched[™] format (Patent pending) eliminates the tedious card punching and the risk of cross contamination. 2

Kit contents

	item	description	quantity
	RNA <i>Sound</i> ™ ReadyPunched™ RNA Sampling Cards	Individually packaged in a dual segmented zip bag with desiccant	25
	Polyester swabs	For sample application	30

Protocol

- 1. Sample preparation
 - 1) Serum, saliva, nasal fluids, environmental water samples
 - Applied directly

Cells or bacteria cultures:

- (For adherent cells) Detach cells and inactivate trypsin;
- Cells pelleted down;
- Cells washed with 1XPBS;
- Cells resuspended in 1XPBS

2. Sample application on card

- 1) Directly drop sample on the perforated discs on the card;
 - > The two perforated discs on one card are designed to take more volume of the same sample.
- Or, collect sample on a cotton swab. and press and roll the contents of the swab onto the perforated discs on the card:
 - ➤ The stability of sample RNA is not guaranteed outside the two perforated discs.
- Dry the card on a portable Card Drying station (Cat. # U100) for about 10 minutes or at room temperature for about an hour.

- Return the card to its original dual segmented zip bag with desiccant.
 - > RNA are stable at room temp for at least one week;
 - If accessible, store cards at 4 °C or lower for longer storage.

2. **RNA** elution

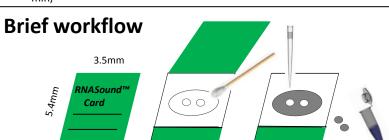
- Take the card out of the zip bag;
- Further dry the card if necessary on portable Card Drying station (Cat. # U100), or in air for an hour;
 - Cards need to be thoroughly dry to avoid inhibitors to be eluted off with RNA:
- Push out the perforated discs into a 1.5 mL eppendorf tube using a sterile pipette tip;
 - > If the disc hangs on the card, push the disc against the tube wall, and pull the card to detach the disc.

- Add 100 µL of RNA elution solution to each tube;
 - Using of preheated RNA elution solution of ~75° C can increase the RNA elution.
- Vortex for 5 minutes or pipette up and down for 50 times;
 - To process large number of cards, push the discs into 96-well-plate wells (not provided), add 100 µL of RNA elution solution to each well, and shake on a plate shaker at the maximal non-splashing speed (pretest with 100 μ L of color fluid to make sure no splash into neighboring blank wells) for 10 minutes, or pipette up and down for 50 times to elute RNA:
- Use elute for immediate RT-PCR.

3. (Optional) DNA Recovery

After RNA elution is removed, sample DNA can be eluted by adding 100 µL of water and heating up to 95 °C for 30 min;

The elution are vortexed and spun down at top speed for 30 seconds;



- Squeeze and roll the cotton tip on perforated discs;
- Dry the card on portable Card Drying station (Cat. # U100) for 10 minutes: or in air for 1 hour
- · RNA are stable for one week:
- · Push out discs to a 1.5 mL eppendorf tube

Add 100 uL **RNA** elution solution, vortex for 5 min to elute RNA