

STANDARD Q

COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus

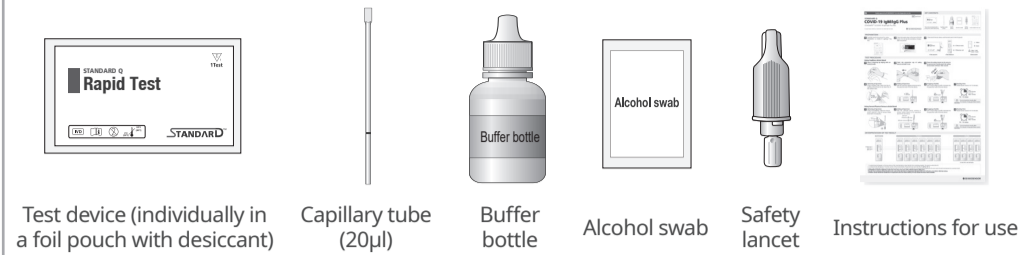
STANDARD™ Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test

PLEASE READ CAREFULLY BEFORE YOU PERFORM THE TEST



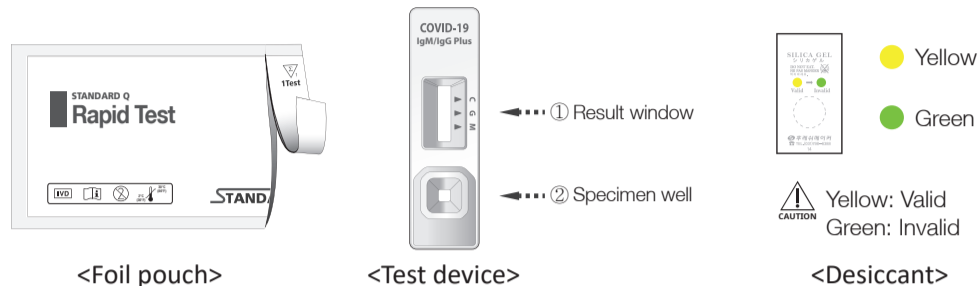
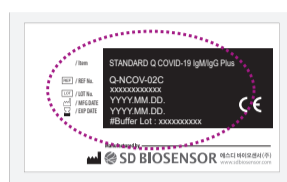
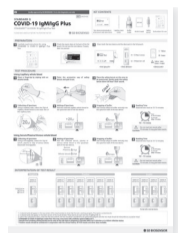
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KIT CONTENTS



PREPARATION

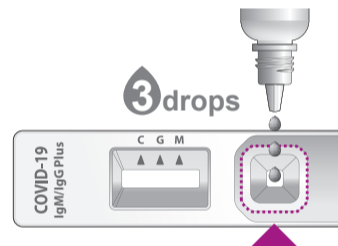
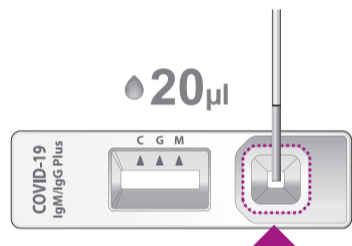
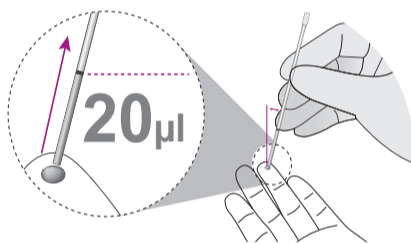
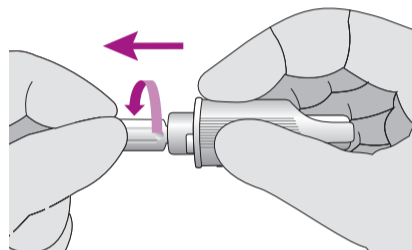
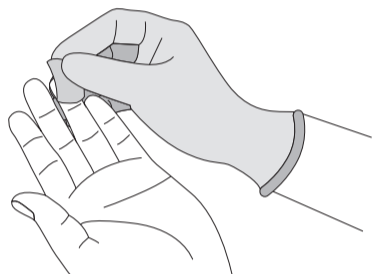
- Carefully read instructions for using STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test.
- Check the expiry date at the back of the foil pouch. Do not use the test device, if expiry date has passed.
- Check both the test device and the desiccant in the foil pouch.



TEST PROCEDURE

Using Capillary whole blood

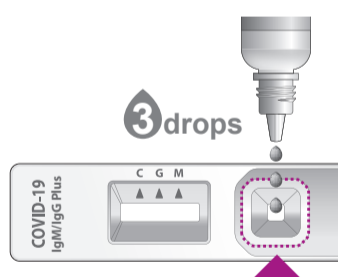
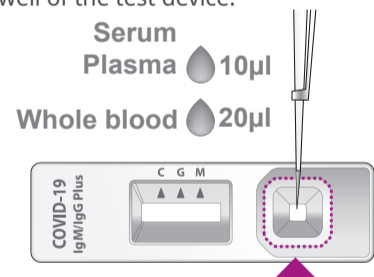
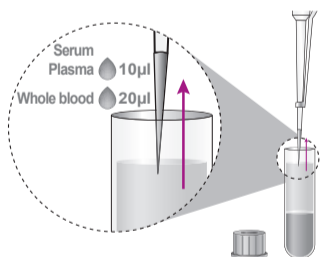
- Clean a fingertip by wiping with an alcohol swab.
- Twist the protective cap of safety lancet and pull it out.
- Place the safety lancet on the area to be punctured. Gently push the safety lancet down till hear 'click' sound.
- Collecting of Specimen: Using a capillary tube, collect the 20µl of capillary whole blood to the black line of the capillary tube.
- Adding of Specimen: Add the collected capillary whole blood to the specimen well of the test device.
- Dropping of buffer: Add 3 drops (90µl) of buffer vertically into the specimen well of the test device.
- Reading Time: Read the test result at 10-15 minutes.



CAUTION Do not read test results after 15 minutes. It may give false results.

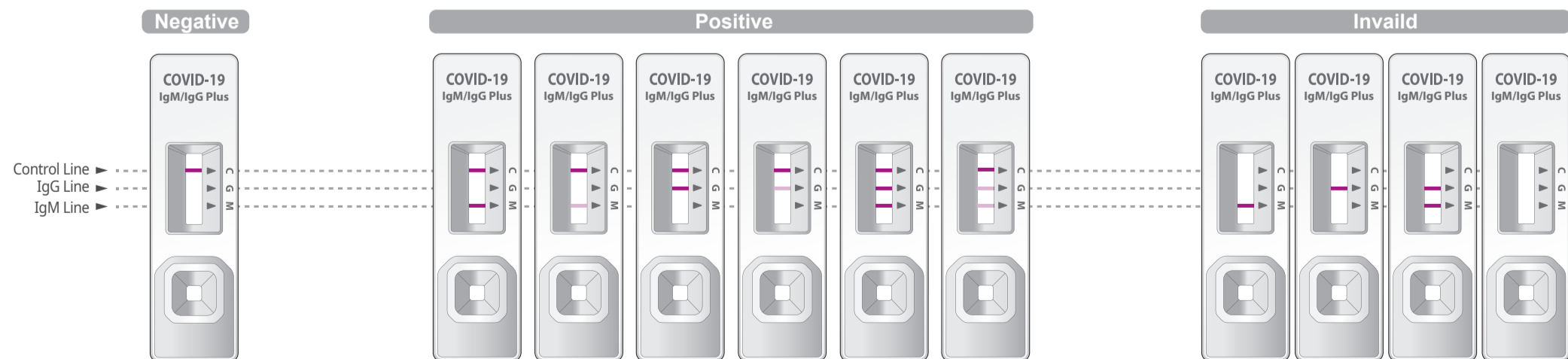
Using Serum/Plasma/Venous whole blood

- Collecting of Specimen: Using a micropipette, collect the 10µl of serum, plasma or 20µl of venous whole blood with micropipette.
- Adding of Specimen: Add the collected serum, plasma or venous whole blood to the specimen well of the test device.
- Dropping of buffer: Add 3 drops (90µl) of buffer vertically into the specimen well of the test device.
- Reading Time: Read the test result at 10-15 minutes.



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INTERPRETATION OF TEST RESULT



Re-test with a new test device.

- A colored band will appear in the top section of the result window to show that the test is working properly. This band is control line (C).
 - A colored bands will appear in the lower section of the result window. These bands are each test line of IgM/IgG (M, G).
 - Even if the control line is faint, or the test line isn't uniform, the test should be considered to be performed properly and the test result should be interpreted as a positive result.
- * STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test may cross-react with antibody against SARS-CoV.**
*** Results from antibody testing should not be used as the sole basis to diagnose or exclude SARS-CoV-2 infection or to inform infection status.**
*** Positive results should be considered in conjunction with the clinical history, RT-PCR results and other data available.**

EXPLANATION AND SUMMARY

[Introduction]

Coronavirus is a single-stranded positive-sense RNA virus with an envelope of about 80 to 120 nm in diameter. Its genetic material is the largest of all RNA viruses and is an important pathogen of many domestic animals, pets, and human diseases. It can cause a variety of acute and chronic diseases. Common signs of a person infected with a coronavirus include respiratory symptoms, fever, cough, shortness of breath, and dyspnea. In more severe cases, infection can cause pneumonia, severe acute respiratory syndrome, kidney failure, and even death. The 2019 new coronavirus, or "COVID-19", was discovered due to Wuhan Viral Pneumonia cases in 2019 and was named by the World Health Organization on January 12, 2020. WHO confirmed that COVID-19 can cause colds, the Middle East Respiratory Syndrome (MERS) and more serious diseases such as severe acute respiratory syndrome (SARS). This kit is helpful for the auxiliary diagnosis of coronavirus infection. The test results are for clinical reference only and cannot be used as a basis for confirming or excluding cases alone.

[Intended use]

STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test is a rapid chromatographic immunoassay for the qualitative detection of specific antibodies to SARS-CoV-2 present in human serum, plasma or whole blood. This test is for in vitro professional diagnostic use and intended as an aid to diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection in convalescent phase of patient with clinical symptoms with SARS-CoV-2 infection. It provides only an initial screening test result. More specific alternative diagnosis methods should be performed in order to obtain the confirmation of SARS-CoV-2 infection.

[Test principle]

STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test has three pre-coated lines, "C" Control line, "G" and "M" Test line for the device on the surface of the nitrocellulose membrane. The control line and two test lines in the result window are not visible before applying any specimens. Chicken IgY is coated on the control line region and monoclonal anti-human IgG antibody and Monoclonal anti-human IgM antibody is coated on the "G" and "M" test line region. And anti-chicken IgY antibody conjugated with colloidal gold particles are used as detectors for "C" control line. During the test, SARS-CoV-2 specific antibodies in the specimen interact with recombinant SARS-CoV-2 protein conjugated with colloidal gold particles making antibody-antigen gold particle complex. This complex migrates on the membrane via capillary action until the "M" and "G" test line, where it will be captured by the Monoclonal anti-human IgG antibody or Monoclonal anti-human IgM antibody. A violet test line would be visible in the result window if SARS-CoV-2 specific antibodies are present in the specimen. The intensity of violet test line will vary depending upon the amount SARS-CoV-2 antibodies present in the specimen. If SARS-CoV-2 specific antibodies are not present in the specimen, then no color appears in the test line. The control line is used for procedural control, and should always appear if the test procedure is performed properly and the test reagents of the control line are working.

[Kit contents]

- ① Test device (individually in a foil pouch with desiccant) ② Capillary tube (20µl)
③ Buffer bottle ④ Alcohol swab ⑤ Safety lancet ⑥ Instructions for use

KIT STORAGE AND STABILITY

Store the kit at room temperature, 2-30°C / 36-86°F, out of direct sunlight. Kit materials are stable until the expiration date printed on the outer box. Do not freeze the kit.

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

- Do not re-use the test kit.
- Do not use the test kit if the pouch is damaged or the seal is broken.
- Do not use the buffer of another lot.
- Do not smoke, drink or eat while handling specimen.
- Wear personal protective equipment, such as gloves and lab coats when handling kit reagents. Wash hands thoroughly after the tests are done.
- Clean up spills thoroughly using an appropriate disinfectant.
- Handle all specimens as if they contain infectious agents.
- Observe established precautions against microbiological hazards throughout testing procedures.
- Dispose of all specimens and materials used to perform the test as bio-hazard waste. Laboratory chemical and biohazard wastes must be handled and discarded in accordance with all local, state, and national regulations.
- Desiccant in foil pouch is to absorb moisture and keep humidity from affecting products. If the moisture indicating desiccant beads change from yellow to green, the test device in the pouch should be discarded.
- Good laboratory practice recommends the use of the control materials. Users should follow the appropriate federal state, and local guidelines concerning the frequency of assaying external quality control materials.

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PREPARATION

[Serum]

- Collect the whole blood into the commercially available plain tube, NOT containing anti-coagulants such as Heparin, EDTA, Sodium citrate by venipuncture and leave to settle for 30 minutes for blood coagulation and then centrifuge blood to get serum specimen of supernatant.
- If serum in the plain tube is stored in a refrigerator at 2-8°C/36-46°F, the specimen can be used for testing within 1 week after collection. Using the specimen in the long-term keeping more than 1 week can cause non-specific reaction.
- They should be brought to room temperature prior to use.

[Plasma]

- Collect the venous blood into the commercially available anti-coagulant tube such as Heparin, EDTA, Sodium citrate by venipuncture and centrifuge blood to get plasma specimen.
- If plasma in an anti-coagulant tube is stored in a refrigerator at 2-8°C/36-46°F, the specimen can be used for testing within 1 week after collection. Using the specimen in the long-term keeping more than 1 week can cause non-specific reaction.
- They should be brought to room temperature prior to use.

[Whole blood]

• Capillary whole blood

- Capillary whole blood should be collected aseptically by fingertip.
- Clean the area to be lanced with an alcohol swab.
- Squeeze the end of the fingertip and pierce with a safety lancet.
- Using a capillary tube, collect the 20µl of capillary whole blood to the black line of the capillary tube.
- The capillary whole blood must be tested immediately after collection.

• Venous whole blood

- Collect the venous whole blood into the commercially available anti-coagulant tube such as Heparin, EDTA, Sodium citrate by venipuncture.
- If venous whole blood in an anti-coagulant tube is stored in a refrigerator at 2-8°C/36-46°F, the specimen can be used for testing within 1-2 days after collection.
- Do not use hemolyzed blood Specimens.



• Use separate disposable materials for each specimen in order to avoid cross-contamination which can cause erroneous results.

CAUTION

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

[Clinical evaluation]

Performance characteristic for the STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test for rapid detection of anti-SARS-CoV-2 antibodies was established in retrospective, multi institutes, randomized, single-blinded study conducted at a trial site in KOREA during the 2020 SARS-CoV-2 pandemic situation. A total of 417 retrospective specimens were tested using the STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test. These specimens consisted of serum from PCR positive or negative confirmed patients. The performance of the STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test were compared to a commercialized molecular assay. Although the STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test allows to test for IgM and IgG separately, due to the differing inter-patient time response to the virus, any individual with positive result for the IgM or the IgG test should be read as a positive for anti-SARS-CoV-2 antibodies. The combined test result (positive for IgM and/or IgG or negative for IgM and/or IgG) was used to calculate the total test sensitivity and specificity.

• Test sensitivity

The seroconversion time of IgM and IgG antibodies varies from person to person, but it was estimated to be around 14 days after onset of symptom^{4,5}. The STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test showed **99.03%** of sensitivity using specimens from patients 14 days after symptom onset (combined IgM+IgG).

Summary of sensitivity of the STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test compared to PCR confirmed specimens from **14 days after symptom onset is 99.03%**

		PCR		
		Positive	Negative	Total
STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test	> 14 days after symptom onset	102	0	102
	Positive	1	0	1
	Negative	103	0	103
Sensitivity		99.03% (102/103, 95% CI, 94.71% -99.98%)		

• Test specificity

The STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test showed **98.65%** of specificity (combined IgM+IgG).

Summary of specificity of the STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test compared to PCR confirmed specimens is **98.65%**

		PCR		
		Positive	Negative	Total
STANDARD Q COVID-19 IgM/IgG Plus Test	> 14 days after symptom onset	0	3	3
	Positive	0	219	219
	Negative	0	222	222
Specificity		98.65% (219/222, 95% CI, 96.10% -99.72%)		

LIMITATION OF TEST

- The test procedure, precautions and interpretation of results for this test must be followed strictly when testing.
- This test detects the presence of SARS-CoV-2 IgM/IgG in the specimen and should not be used as the sole criteria for the diagnosis of SARS-CoV-2 infection.
- Test results must be considered with other clinical data available to the physician.
- For more accuracy of immune status, additional follow-up testing using other laboratory methods is recommended.
- Neither the quantitative value nor the rate anti-SARS-CoV-2 IgM/IgG concentration can be determined by this qualitative test.
- Failure to follow the test procedure and interpretation of test results may adversely affect test performance and/or produce invalid results.
- A negative result may occur if the concentration of antigen or antibody in a specimen is below the detection limit of the test or if the specimen was collected or transported improperly, therefore a negative test result does not eliminate the possibility of SARS-CoV-2 infection, and should be confirmed by viral culture or an molecular assay or ELISA.
- Positive test results do not rule out co-infections with other pathogens.
- Negative test results are not intended to rule in other coronavirus infection except the SARS-CoV.
- Children tend to shed virus for longer periods of time than adults, which may result in differences in sensitivity between adults and children.

EXTERNAL QUALITY CONTROL

- Positive and negative controls are optional contents (STANDARD COVID-19 IgM/IgG Control(Cat No. 10COVC20)) and these controls can be provided as a means on additional quality control to demonstrate a positive or negative reaction.
- Quality controls should be treated and tested the same as patient specimens.
- It is recommended that positive and negative controls be run:
 - once for each new lot.
 - once for each untrained operator.
 - as required by test procedures in this instructions and in accordance with local, state and federal regulations or accreditation requirements.

NOTIFICATION FOR COVID-19 ANTIBODY TESTS

- This test has not been reviewed by the FDA.
- Negative results do not rule out SARS-CoV-2 infection, particularly in those who have been in contact with the virus. Follow-up testing with a molecular diagnostic should be considered to rule out infection in these individuals.
- Results from antibody testing should not be used as the sole basis to diagnose or exclude SARS-CoV-2 infection or to inform infection status.
- Positive results may be due to past or present infection with non-SARS-CoV-2 coronavirus strains, such as coronavirus HKU1, NL63, OC43, or 229E or past or present infection with SARS virus (no. 6).
- Not for the screening of donated blood.
- The test procedure should be conducted in ambient temperature and pressure.
- Results of these tests should be appropriately recorded in a test report.

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