

Technical Bulletin

Use of Transport Media with QuickVue RSV 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 μ l of sample suspended in the media per the nasal/nasopharyngeal wash and nasopharyngeal aspirate procedure. You may break the swab shaft to accommodate the transport tube length. The following transport media are compatible for use with the QuickVue RSV Test:

Transport Media	Recommended		Recommended SKU
	Storage Condition		
	2°C to 30°C	2°C to 8°C for	
	for 8 hours	48 hours	
			BD Cat. #220244, 1 mL
			(Manufactured by Copan, Cat.
BD Universal Viral Transport Media	Yes	No	#350C)
Bartels Viratrans Media	Yes	Yes	
			Copan Cat. #350c, 1 mL
			Distributed by Diagnostic
			Hybrids, Cat. #350-CHL and by
Copan Universal Transport Media	Yes	No	BD (see above)
Hank's Balanced Salt Solution	Yes	No	
M4-RT	Yes	Yes	
M5 Media	Yes	No	
Multitrans Media	Yes	Yes	
Modified Liquid Stuart's	Yes	No	
Saline	Yes	No	
Storage of sample in a clean, dry,			
closed container	Yes	No	

The M4-3 and Amies transport media are not compatible with this test.

Please contact Quidel Technical Support at 800.874.1517 (in the U.S.), 858.552.1100 (outside the U.S.) or technicalsupport@quidel.com if you have any questions regarding the QuickVue hCG Test kits or any Quidel product. Our hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

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