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Technical Bulletin

Sofia® Influenza A+B Test Cassettes – New Blue Color

Quidel has recently implemented a new look for the Sofia Influenza A+B Test Cassettes. The Cassettes are now manufactured with blue color in the Sample Well of the Test Cassette. Once a sample is added to the Cassette and flows through the test strip, the blue coloration will also migrate through the test strip. By the end of the 15-minute incubation time, the entire Result Window should also be blue in color. The new color does not affect test performance.

This blue coloration will allow test operators to easily see if a cassette has previously been used.

Please note that some transport medias are pink in color. If a pink transport media is used, the coloration of the strip may be pink, not blue.

As we implement this new look, you may receive kits that have the blue colored Sample Well on the Test Cassette, and some that do not. Both types of Test Cassettes may be used.

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 Sofia Influenza A+B test kit, 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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