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REDTM FLOQ[®]

REDxTM FLOQ[®] CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control



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Thank you for your interest in this REDxTM quality control product.

This package insert consists of two pages.

- The first page contains the product name and an explanation of the symbols used on the labeling.
- The second page contains the complete package insert text.

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Explanation of symbols used in Microbix product labeling



Upper limit
of temperature



Temperature
limitation



In Vitro Diagnostic
Medical Device



Single-use only



Positive control



Use By



"Caution, consult
accompanying documents"



Catalogue
number



Batch code



Manufacturer



WARNING: THESE REAGENTS MUST NOT BE
SUBSTITUTED FOR THE MANDATORY
POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE SAMPLE REAGENTS
PROVIDED WITH MANUFACTURED TEST KITS.



REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control

FOR IVD USE.

INTENDED USE

REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control is a desiccated, unassayed control intended to monitor laboratory testing performance, procedures, and workflows with nucleic acid amplification tests that detect *Chlamydia trachomatis* (CT), *Neisseria gonorrhoeae* (NG), and *Trichomonas vaginalis* (TV) in human vaginal, endocervical, pharyngeal, rectal, and urethral samples, collected on swabs.

PRODUCT DESCRIPTION

REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control is formulated with inactivated native CT, NG, TV, and human DNA, desiccated on a Copan FLOQSwab®. REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control can be utilized as an external sample to monitor the process of Sexually Transmitted Infection (STI) nucleic acid detection assays, including sample extraction, purification, amplification, and detection¹.

REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control does not have an assigned value ("unassayed"). Laboratories are required to establish an acceptance range for each lot of REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control with all assay procedures that the control is intended to be used with, prior to routine use in the laboratory^{2,3}.

PRINCIPLES OF THE PROCEDURE

REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control is designed as an external independent sample for use with STI nucleic acid amplification tests, according to ISO15189 and CLIA regulations.

REAGENTS

Cat. No RED-S-12-M4; 1 swab formulated with inactivated cells that contain inactivated native CT, NG, TV, and human fibroblast cells.

LIMITATIONS OF THE PROCEDURE

REDx™ CONTROLS MUST NOT BE SUBSTITUTED FOR THE POSITIVE AND NEGATIVE CONTROL REAGENTS PROVIDED WITH THE MANUFACTURED TEST KITS.

TEST PROCEDURES and INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS provided by manufacturers of test kits must be followed closely.

Deviations from procedures recommended by test kit manufacturers may produce unreliable results. REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control DOES NOT HAVE AN ASSIGNED VALUE and may not be suitable for use with all STI test kits and procedures. Procedures for implementing a quality assurance program and monitoring test performance on a routine basis must be established by each individual laboratory. Each laboratory should establish its own range of acceptable values^{2,3}. Samples are not calibrators and should not be used for assay calibration.

REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control is recommended for use with nucleic acid amplification tests only.

Adverse shipping and storage conditions or use of outdated samples may produce erroneous results.

REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control might not be suitable for nucleic acid amplification tests without an extraction step.

WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

For IVD use.

For Professional and Trained Laboratory Personnel Use Only

Safety Precautions

1. Raw materials used for REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control preparation is inactivated.
2. Use Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) recommended universal precautions for handling the samples and human specimens⁴.
3. REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control must be disposed of by following RCRA ID#D001 guidelines for ignitable waste⁵.
4. Keep REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control pouch closed when not in use.

HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

1. Do not use controls beyond the expiration date.
2. Avoid contamination of controls when opening the swab pouches.

STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS

Store REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control at 2-30°C until use.

Once opened, REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control should not be reused.

MATERIALS PROVIDED

REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control – 1 swab

MATERIALS REQUIRED, BUT NOT PROVIDED

Refer to the Instructions For Use supplied by the test kit manufacturer.

PROCEDURE

When including the REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control in a test run, the exact same procedure for unknown specimens collected on a swab must be used. Refer to the manufacturer's supplied instructions for use provided with the STI test kit.

1. Elute the REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control by referring to the preferred technique and volumes described in the assay instructions for use (usually 1-3 mL).
2. Use 100-1000 µL from the eluted REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control for the nucleic acid extraction step.
3. After extraction, proceed with the nucleic acid amplification test by using the eluted nucleic acid test volume specified in the assay instruction for use (usually 5-20 µL from the eluted purified nucleic acid volume).

NOTE: Controls must NOT be substituted for the internal kit positive and negative controls.

Since the REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control does not have an assigned value, the laboratory must establish an acceptance range for each lot of the REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control.

TROUBLESHOOTING

When REDx™FLOQ® CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control results are outside of the established laboratory acceptance range for internal controls, it may be an indication of unsatisfactory test performance.

Possible sources of error include deterioration of test kit reagents, operator error, faulty performance of equipment, or contamination of reagents; internal laboratory procedures should be followed.

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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

REDxTMFLOQ[®] CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control

Product Information

Product Name	REDx TM FLOQ [®] CT/NG/TV Swab Positive Control
Catalogue Number	RED-S-12-M4
Strain/Cell line	<i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> Serovar L2, strain 434; <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> strain B5025; <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i> strain C-1:NIH
Lot number	12M40001A2
Analyte Value	Unassayed. Value not assigned by the manufacturer
Product Description	Unassayed qualitative positive control for the detection of <i>Chlamydia trachomatis</i> (CT), <i>Neisseria gonorrhoeae</i> (NG), and <i>Trichomonas vaginalis</i> (TV). This sample contains human DNA.
Elution Volume	1-3 mL
Storage conditions	2-30°C
Expiry Date	31 Aug 2028
Intended Use	For <i>In vitro</i> Diagnostic Use.

Quality Control Information

Test method	Xpert [®] CT/NG Assay Xpert [®] TV Assay
Test Result	Observed Result
CT	Positive
NG	Positive
TV	Positive
Human DNA	Positive
Inactivation	Inactivated

This product is an unassayed control. The reported QC information is not intended to represent product specifications in any commercial or lab developed test. The laboratory should establish its own analyte value and ranges.



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