

SARS-CoV-2 Assays*†

- Fully automated, high-throughput assays for the detection of the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Accurate and fully automated testing is critical in the fight against the coronavirus disease (COVID-19) – and key to quickly identifying who's infected and subsequently helping alleviate the spread of this novel virus.

Challenges Facing Labs



Unanticipated surge of samples underscoring the need for automation.¹



Extreme urgency to establish diagnostic capabilities.²



Uncertainty around future and continued pandemic testing needs.³

The power to choose. The potential to grow. The flexibility and scalability of the Panther system provides accessibility to two molecular diagnostic tests that quickly detects SARS-CoV-2 allowing labs to:

- Meet the urgent need for high-throughput and automated testing.³
- Detect the virus to guide patient management and mitigate the spread of infection.^{4,6}
- Prepare to respond to the evolving needs of the COVID-19 global health crisis.



Test more patients for COVID-19 in less time on the Panther and Panther Fusion systems. These high-throughput, highly sensitive tests now available for use under the FDA's emergency use authorization (EUA).^{4,6}

- Significantly increase testing capacity by running greater than 1000 tests in 24 hours.†
- Boost efficiency and increase clinical insight by running other respiratory viral assays from the same sample.
- Easy to interpret test results available in about 3 hours.
- Maximize throughput by running infectious disease, women's health and virology assays on a single fully automated platform.

Two Assays Delivering the Performance You Expect^{5,6}

■ The Aptima® and Panther Fusion® assays are intended for the qualitative detection of RNA from SARS-CoV-2 from individuals meeting COVID-19 clinical and/or epidemiological criteria.

■ Both assays target two specific regions of the ORF1ab gene in the SARS-CoV-2 virus.

Performance Relative to Expected Results^{5,6}

Aptima SARS-CoV-2 Assay on the Panther System ^{6*}	Contrived Specimen Expected Result	
	Positive	Negative
Positive	50	1
Negative	0	54

Positive Percent Agreement: 100% (92.9%-100%) Negative Percent Agreement: 98.2% (90.4%-99.7%) Overall Agreement: 99.0% (94.8%-99.8%)

Panther Fusion SARS-CoV-2 Assay on the Panther Fusion System ^{5*}	Contrived Specimen Expected Result	
	Positive	Negative
Positive	70	0
Negative	0	108

Positive Percent Agreement: 100% (94.8%-100%) Negative Percent Agreement: 100% (96.6%-100%) Overall Agreement: 100% (97.9%-100%)

Sample Collection Types^{5,6}

For use with nasopharyngeal (NP), nasal, mid-turbinate and oropharyngeal (OP) swab specimens, Nasopharyngeal wash/aspirate or nasal aspirates can be processed with the Aptima SARS-CoV-2 assay. Additionally, the Panther Fusion assay has been verified for use with lower respiratory tract specimens.

Swabs may be used with:

- ✓ BD Universal Viral Transport System
- ✓ COPAN Universal Transport Medium
- ✓ Remel MicroTest M4, M4RT, M5 or M6 formulations
- ✓ Saline
- ✓ Liquid Amies
- ✓ Aptima® Multitest Swab Specimen Collection Kit[†]

* The Aptima® and Panther Fusion® SARS-CoV-2 assays:

- This test has not been FDA cleared or approved;
- This test has been authorized by FDA under an EUA for use by authorized laboratories;
- This test has been authorized only for the detection of nucleic acid from SARS-CoV-2, not for any other viruses or pathogens; and
- This test is only authorized for the duration of the declaration that circumstances exist justifying the authorization of emergency use of in vitro diagnostic tests for detection and/or diagnosis of COVID-19 under Section 564(b)(1) of the Act, 21 U.S.C. § 360bbb-3(b)(1), unless the authorization is terminated or revoked sooner.

† The Panther Fusion SARS-CoV-2 assay is available for EUA use in the United States, Australia, New Zealand and Canada. EUA does not apply to the European Union. The Aptima SARS-CoV-2 assay is available for EUA use in the United States.

‡ Number of actual test results per day may vary based on individual lab practices and workflows.

§ For oropharyngeal sample type.

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