Protocol for Real-Time RT-PCR SARS-CoV-2 (2019-nCoV) (RdRp Wuhan/CUB gene) with P&P

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Caution: The vials containing the primers and probe mix (P&P) should be stored after reception at -20°C in the dark. Stable at least 6 months in the described conditions.

NB: Probe: FAM-QSY

Reagents with which the assay has been validated at UVE (Unité des Virus Emergents, Marseille, France):

- SuperScript™ III Platinum™ One-Step qRT-PCR Kit, ThermoFischer ref 11732-088
- Elution Buffer AE (1000 ml) Macherey-NagelTM ref 740917.1 (This component is not provided with the OneStep RT-PCR kit); usually provided as elution buffer in the extraction kit, (10mM TrisHCl 0.5mM EDTA, pH=9).

1. Rehydration of Lyoph-P&P before use (Table 1)

- Write the date on the vial before opening.
- Lyoph-P&P is respudended as described:
 - Add 63 µl of AE Elution buffer
 - Homogenization by 10 to 20 times pipetting up and down in the glass vial a $30\mu L\text{-}\mbox{volume}$
 - Rehydrated P&P must be incubated at room temperature for 10 min after which
 - A second step of 10 times multiple pipetting must be done.

<u>WARNING</u>: These steps are critical to ensure adequate homogenization

Table 1. Lyoph-P&P regeneration; rehydrated Lyoph-P&P can be stored at 4 °C for up to 14 days

Number of tests/vial	8
AE Elution buffer (μL)	63*

^{*} this volume is adapted to the SuperScript TM III Platinum TM One-Step qRT-PCR Kit and can vary depending upon the RT-PCR kit

2. Preparation of the reaction MIX

MasterMix	25μL Single rxn, μL
2X Reaction mix*	12.5
Rehydrated Primers and probe P&P**	7.0
SSIII/Taq EnzymeMix*	0.5
	20
Template RNA	5

^{*,} ThermoFischer / Invitrogen: SuperscriptIII One-Step RT-PCR system with Platinum Taq DNA Polymerase

3. Cycling program and RT-PCR reaction

1: 50°C for 15 min

2: 95°C for 2 min

3: 95°C for 15 sec

4: 58°C for 45 sec

Plate Read

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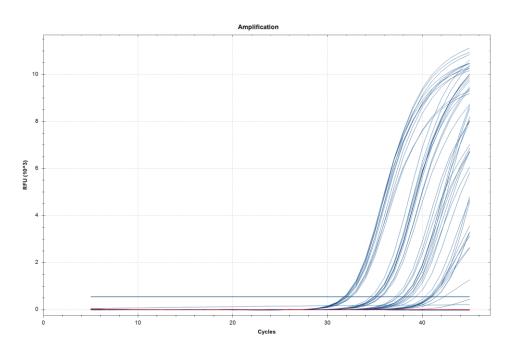


Figure. Results obtained with 5-fold serial dilutions of positive control.

^{**,} as indicated in Table 1.