One Step
Dengue NS1 Antigen & IgG/IgM Antibody Duo Panel
RapiCard™ InstaTest
(Serum/Plasma/Whole Blood)

INTENDED USE
Dengue Duo Panel is an in vitro qualitative immunochromatographic assay for the rapid detection of Dengue NS1 antigens and anti-dengue IgG/IgM antibodies in human blood, serum and plasma specimens simultaneously. The test results are intended to aid in the diagnosis of dengue infection.

SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION
Dengue fever is one of the most important mosquito-borne diseases in the world in the terms of morbidity, mortality. Dengue fever virus (serotypes 1 – 4) belongs to the group flavivirus, and is transmitted in nature by day-biting Aedes mosquitoes. The most important mosquito vector is highly domesticated and urban species, Aedes aegypti. Primary Dengue infection, also known as Dengue Fever, is the most common type of dengue illness. It is associated with mild to high fever, headache, muscle pain and skin rash. Secondary infection is known as Dengue Hemorrhagic Fever (DHF) or Dengue Shock Syndrome, and often results in high fever and in many cases, with hemorrhagic and circulatory failure. The fatality rate in patients with Dengue Shock Syndrome can be as high as 44%. Dengue presents typically as a fever of sudden onset with headache, retrobular pain, pain in the back and limbs (break-bone fever), lymphaderopathy and maculopaplar rash. Patients diagnosed with dengue in endemic areas generally have secondary infection, whereas patients in non-endemic areas are usually diagnosed with primary infection. Specific antibody responses to Dengue virus enable serodiagnosis and differentiation between primary and secondary dengue infections.

Dengue NS1 (nonstructural protein I) is a highly conserved glycoprotein. NS1 antigen was found circulating in samples of infected patient from the first day up to 9 days after the onset of the fever. After the anti-NS1 antibody elevate in human body, the detectable NS1 antigens decline quickly. While detectable NS1 antigens declining, the elevated antibodies can be detected for longer time. Usually IgM does not become detectable until 3 to 10 days after the onset of illness in cases of primary dengue infection and until 2 to 3 days after onset of illness in secondary infections. In primary infections, IgG appear the 14th day and may persist for many years. Secondary infections generate an anamnestic IgG antibody response that is characterized by a rapid rise in IgG antibodies detectable at 4-5 days after the onset of the illness.

The detection of both NS1 antigen and anti-Dengue antibodies provides the tool for the diagnosis of dengue infection from the early infection to the stage after the onset of the illness. It can enhance the accuracy of the diagnosis of dengue infection.

TEST PRINCIPLE
Dengue NS1 Antigen Test is a sandwich solid phase immunochromatographic assay. When sample is added to sample pad, it moves through the conjugate pad and mobilizes gold anti-NS1 conjugate that is coated on the conjugate pad. The mixture moves along the membrane by capillary action and reacts with anti-NS1 antibody that is coated on the test region. If NS1 is present, the result is the formation of a colored band in the test line region. If there is no NS1 in the sample, the area will remain colorless. The sample continues to move to the control area and forms a pink to purple color, indicating the test is working and the result is valid.

Dengue IgG/IgM Antibody Test utilizes the principle of Immunochromatography.Mouse anti-human IgM and human IgG antibodies are immobilized on the nitrocellulose membrane respectively, as two individual test lines (IgM line and IgG line) in the test window of the test device. The IgG line in the test window is closer to the sample well and followed by IgM line. As the test sample flows through the membrane within the test device, the colored–Dengue specific recombinant antigen-colloidal gold conjugate complexes with specific antibodies (IgM and/or IgG) of Dengue virus, if present in the sample. This complex moves further on the membrane to the test region where it is captured by the anti-human IgM and/or human IgG antibodies coated on the membrane leading to formation of a colored band, which indicates a positive test results. Absence of this colored band in the test window indicates a negative test result. A built-in control line will always appear in the test window when the test has performed properly, regardless of the presence or absence of anti-Dengue virus antibodies in the specimen.

MATERIALS PROVIDED
1. Dengue Duo Panel
   NS1 --- A test strip with NS1 specific antibody on the test region of the membrane and colored anti-NS1 antibody-gold conjugate pad
   IgG/IgM --- A strip with anti-h IgG and anti-h IgM on the test region of the membrane and colored dengue antigen–gold conjugate pad.
2. Instructions for Use
3. Disposable transfer pipette for NS1 test
4. 5 µL Capillary pipette for IgG/IgM test
5. Sample buffer for IgG/IgM test

MATERIALS REQUIRED NOT PROVIDED
1. Specimen collection container
2. Timer

SPECIMEN COLLECTION AND PREPARATION
1. The serum, whole blood or plasma specimen should be collected under standard laboratory conditions.
2. No prior special preparation of the patient is required before sample collection by approved techniques.
3. The test works best on fresh whole blood / serum / plasma samples. If testing cannot be performed immediately, serum / plasma may be stored at 2-8°C up to 3 days in case of delay in testing. For long-term storage, serum / plasma specimens can...
be frozen at -20°C for 3 months or -70°C for longer period. Repeated freezing and thawing of the specimen should be avoided. Sodium azide can be added as a preservative up to 0.1% without affecting the test results.

4. Heat inactivation of specimens, which may cause hemolysis and protein denaturation, should be avoided. Avoid to use haemolysed, clotted, contaminated, lipemic and viscous/turbid specimen.

5. Specimen containing precipitates or particulate matter must be centrifuged and the clear supernatant only used for testing.

6. Do not inactivate the sample by heating.

7. Shipment of specimens should comply with local regulations for transportation of etiologic agents.

ASSAY PROCEDURE

1. Bring the kit components to room temperature before testing.

2. Open the pouch and remove the Card. Once opened, the test card must be used immediately.

3. Label the test card with patient’s identity.

4 a. Use the provided transfer pipette to transfer the specimen by depressing the bulb of the pipette.

4 b. Drop the sample in the corner pointed by “S1▼”.

5 a. Hold the pipette in a vertical position over the left “S” sample well of the device and deliver 3 drops (120-150 µL) of sample into the well.

5 b. Dispense 2 drops (80-100 µL) of sample buffer to the right “S” sample well.

6. At the end of 20 minutes read the results. A strong positive sample may show result earlier.

Note: Result after 20 minutes may not be accurate.
RESULTS

QUALITY CONTROL
1. The control band is an internal reagent and procedural control.
2. It will appear if the test has been performed correctly and the reagents are reactive.
3. Good Laboratory Practice recommends the daily use of control materials to validate the reliability of the device. Control materials which is not provided with this test kit may be commercially available.

LIMITATIONS
1. The test is for qualitative detection of Dengue NS1 antigen and/or anti-Dengue antibodies in blood, serum or plasma sample and does not indicate the quantity of the analytes.
2. The test is for in vitro diagnostic use only.
3. A negative test result cannot exclude a recent infection.
4. It is common that viruses belong to flavivirus genus, such as dengue virus, Japanese encephalitis, tick-borne encephalitis, yellow fever virus and West Nile virus, have the serological cross reaction on antibody tests.
5. As in case of all diagnostic tests, a definitive clinical diagnosis should not be based on the result of a single test but should rather be made after all the clinical findings have been evaluated.
6.

EXPECTED VALUES
Dengue NS1 antigen can circulate in human blood from day 1 up to 9th day after the onset of the fever. However, the level of the antigen declines rapidly with the elevated level of antibody.

In primary infection, anti-dengue IgM is detectable 3-5 days after the onset of the illness. Anti-dengue IgG is detectable 14 days after the onset of the illness and may persist for many years.

In secondary infection, anti-IgG antibodies elevate in 1-2 days after the onset of the illness and often accompanied by an elevation of anti-dengue IgM antibodies.

PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

Accuracy
1. In a panel of 51 samples of suspected early dengue infection, the test result is summarized as below.

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33.3% of the samples showed positive NS1 results before antibodies were able to detect. It proves that NS1 test can help to detect dengue infection during the window period of the infection when antibodies have not risen to the detectable level. With NS1 alone, the positive rate is increased to 90.2%. It proves that the combination of both dengue NS1 and antibody tests can enhance the sensitivity of early dengue infection.

Specificity
2. A total of 79 samples from healthy blood donors were tested. The test result is summarized as below.

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<td>20</td>
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The specificity with the tested healthy blood donor samples was 100%.

Interference
The compounds listed below at the mentioned concentration do not interfere the test results.

- Acetaminophen: 136 µg/mL
- Albumin: 47 mg/mL
- Bilirubin: 7.40 mg/mL
- Cholesterol: 260 mg/mL
- Creatinine: 6.90 mg/mL
- Digoxin: 3.00 ng/mL
- Ethanol: 2.10 mg/mL
- Glucose: 3.90 mg/mL
- Immunoglobin A: 2.20 mg/mL
- Immunoglobin G: 10.00 mg/mL
- Immunoglobin M: 1.10 mg/mL
- Total Protein: 70.40 mg/mL
- Triglycerides: 1.90 mg/mL
- Urea nitrogen: 700 µg/mL
- Uric acid: 92 µg/mL

STORAGE AND STABILITY
The sealed pouches in the test kit may be stored between 20-30°C for the duration of the shelf life as indicated on the pouch.

PRECAUTIONS
1. This kit is for in vitro diagnostic use only.
2. This kit is for PROFESSIONAL use only.
3. Read the instructions carefully before performing the test.
4. This product does not contain any human source materials.
5. Do not use kit contents after the expiration date.
6. Handle all specimens as potentially infectious.
7. Follow standard Lab procedure and biosafety guidelines for handling and disposal of potentially infective material. When the assay procedure is completed, dispose specimens after autoclaving them at 121°C for at least 20 min. Alternatively, they can be treated with 0.5% Sodium Hypochlorite for 1-2 hours before disposal.
8. Do not pipette reagent by mouth and no smoking or eating while performing assays.
9. Wear gloves during the whole procedure.

REFERENCES