# DASH® SARS-CoV-2 & Flu A/B Test Quick Reference Guide



- For use with direct anterior nasal swab specimens.
- For laboratories with a CLIA Certificate of Waiver.
- Laboratories with a Certificate of Waiver must follow the manufacturer's instructions for performing the test.
- Store DASH® Rapid PCR Instrument and cartridge at room temperature (between 15°C and 30°C).

#### **Warnings and Precautions**

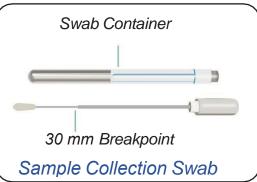
- **Before performing a test**, read the complete procedure outlined in this document. Quality Control procedures (IFU-06-021) must be followed before performing a test. Please refer to the assay Instructions for Use (IFU-06-022) and Instrument manual (IFU-06-023) for more information. These can be found at <a href="https://www.nuclein.com/Product-Documents">www.nuclein.com/Product-Documents</a>.
- Conduct all testing on a level surface.
- **DO NOT** freeze the cartridge.
- **DO NOT** use a cartridge or swab if the package is damaged or open.
- **DO NOT** use a cartridge that is wet or has leaked.
- **DO NOT** use a cartridge if foil seals are broken.
- **DO NOT** use a test cartridge past its expiration date.
- **DO NOT** use a cartridge that has been dropped.
- **DO NOT** handle cartridge by the thin films or the *Cap*. Only handle by the labeled end, under *Cover 1*.
- **DO NOT** open cartridge *Cover 1* until you are ready to insert sample into *Specimen Chamber*.

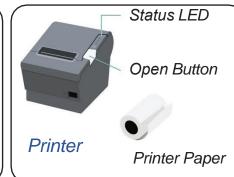
#### **Before You Begin**

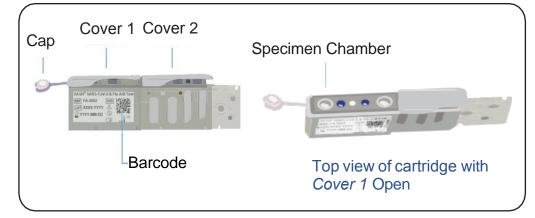
- Samples must be inserted into cartridge without delay after sample collection.
- Sample collection must be performed as per CDC guidance (cdc.gov/coronavirus)
- Cartridge must be kept at room temperature (15°C to 30°C) and run within one hour of sample insertion. Otherwise, the cartridge should be discarded and a new sample collected for testing.
- Environmental conditions for operating the DASH SARS-CoV-2 & Flu A/B Test are 15°C to 30°C; 20% 80% RH; Altitude up to 1,676 meters (5,500 feet). Operating the test system outside of specifications may cause incorrect results.
- Keep work area clean to prevent contamination. Instrument exterior surface should be cleaned with 10% bleach (expressed as 0.6% sodium hypochlorite) followed by water, then 70% ethanol or 70% isopropyl.

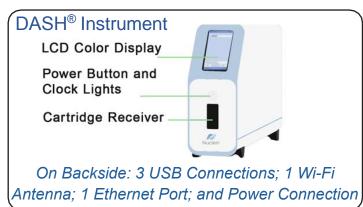
# DASH Rapid PCR System Materials (only use materials listed below)

- SG-0002 | DASH Instrument
- SG-0004 | DASH Accessories Kit
  - Barcode Scanner, Power Adaptor, Power Cord, Printer and Paper, Printer Cable
- SG-0006 | DASH SARS-CoV-2 & Flu A/B Test Kit
- SG-0008 | DASH SARS-CoV-2 & Flu A/B Positive Control Swabs Kit
- SG-0010 | DASH Negative Control Swabs Kit
- SG-0012 (Puritan 25-3606-U BT) | Sample Collection Swabs
- Powder Free Gloves











#### **Quality Controls: External Positive and Negative Controls**

Quality controls must be used to show that the test is working properly. The DASH® SARS-CoV-2 & Flu A/B Positive Control (SG-0008) and DASH Negative Control (SG-0010) are available separately.

#### **Environmental Conditions: External Controls**

DASH SARS-CoV-2 & Flu A/B Positive Control and DASH Negative Control swabs must be stored at room temperature (15°C to 30°C).

#### **Instructions for Use for Running External Controls**

Controls are tested using the same procedure as for a patient sample, but instead of scanning the patient sample barcode, scan the barcode on the control swab packaging. See IFU-06-021 for additional instructions.

Test external controls at the times noted below:

- Each time a new lot of DASH® SARS-CoV-2 & Flu A/B Test cartridges is received.
- Each time a new operator performs the test.
- When the instrument is used for the first time for a specific test.
- As deemed additionally necessary by internal quality control procedures, and in accordance with local, state and federal regulations or accreditation requirements.

#### **External Controls: Expected Results**

CONRTOL	EXPECTED RESULT	INTERPRETATION
Positive	Flu A: PASS	Flu A target RNA is detected.
	Flu B: PASS	Flu B target RNA is detected.
	SARS-CoV-2:	SARS-CoV-2 target RNA is
	PASS	detected.
	Procedural Control:	Amplification meets acceptance
	Valid	criteria.
Negative	Flu A: PASS	Flu A target RNA is not detected.
	Flu B: PASS	Flu B target RNA is not detected.
	SARS-CoV-2:	SARS-CoV-2 target RNA is not
	PASS	detected.
	Procedural Control:	Amplification meets acceptance
	Valid	criteria.

### **Test Result Interpretation**

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TARGET	RESULT	INTERPRETATION	
SARS- CoV-2	POSITIVE	The target nucleic acids of SARS-CoV-2 are detected.	
	NEGATIVE	The target nucleic acids of SARS-CoV-2 are not detected.	
Flu A	POSITIVE	The target nucleic acids of Flu A are detected.	
	NEGATIVE	The target nucleic acids of Flu A are not detected.	
Flu B	POSITIVE	The target nucleic acids of Flu B are detected.	
	NEGATIVE	The target nucleic acids of Flu B are not detected.	
Procedural Control	VALID	Amplification meets acceptance criteria.	
	INVALID	Presence or absence of the target nucleic acids cannot be determined. Repeat test with a new cartridge.*	
ERROR		Presence or absence of the target nucleic acids cannot be determined. DASH Instrument detected an error and aborted the current test. Repeat test with a new cartridge.*	
* If repeat to	* If repeat test also results in an error or invalid, please contact Nuclein		

<sup>\*</sup> If repeat test also results in an error or invalid, please contact Nuclein Customer Support at <a href="mailto:customersupport@nuclein.com">customersupport@nuclein.com</a> or 1-888-992-DASH.

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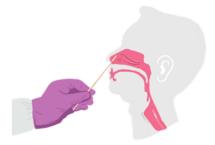
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#### 1. Initialize DASH® Instrument:

- a) Press the power button to turn on the DASH Instrument.
- b) Wait for instrument to initialize and complete the warm-up process.
- Select username from the dropdown menu.
- d) Enter your 5-digit PIN. Touch "Enter."
- The instrument is now ready to run a test.



2. Collect Patient Sample: Insert the entire collection tip of the swab (usually ½ to ¾ of an inch, or 1 to 1.5 cm) inside the nostril. Gently rotate swab in a circular motion against the nasal wall at least 4 times. Using the same swab, repeat collection with the other nostril. Once complete, immediately prepare cartridge and add sample to cartridge without delay.

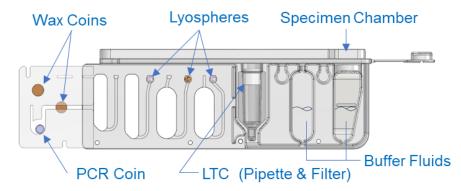


### 3. Prepare Cartridge:

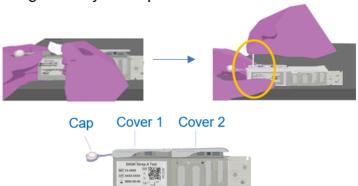
Remove cartridge from packaging.



b) Inspect cartridge prior to use. Make sure it appears to be intact.



c) Hold cartridge upright on flat surface (as shown below). Peel off Cover 1 and immediately insert sample swab into Specimen Chamber. DO NOT open Cover 1 until testing is ready to be performed.



d) Break off the swab stem at 30 mm breakpoint, then close the cartridge *Cap* by snapping it into place.



#### 4. Scan Barcodes:

 Scan the patient sample barcode, or enter the specimen ID on the keypad and touch "Enter".



b) Scan the cartridge barcode.



### 5. Sample and Cartridge Confirmation:

- a) Confirm *Specimen Chamber* contains the swab tip and cartridge *Cap* is closed.
- b) Hold cartridge upright on flat surface (as shown below).
- c) Peel off *Cover 2*. Touch the "Open" button on the instrument screen, then touch the "Seal Removed" button. **DO NOT** remove *Cover 2* until the cartridge is ready to be inserted into the DASH Instrument.

# 6. Run Test:

a) Insert the cartridge.



b) Test will run automatically. Blue lights on the front of the instrument indicate progress.



Instrument Power Button with "Clock Lights"

# 7. Complete Test:

 After test is complete, results are displayed on the screen and will print automatically.



b) Touch "Open" to remove the cartridge.



 Discard the used cartridge in biohazard waste as per site procedures.

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