# QUICK PROTOCOL



## DNA/RNA Shield Direct Detect<sup>™</sup>

Catalog Nos. R1400, R1401-1

DNA/RNA Shield Direct Detect<sup>™</sup> reagent is a sample collection and transport medium that preserves DNA and RNA in biological samples at ambient temperature and allows for direct nucleic acid analysis by RT-PCR.

### Highlights

Rapid, direct DNA/RNA analysis of biological samples. No inhibition in downstream RT-PCR. Reduces sample viscosity to minimize pipetting errors on automated platforms.

### **Physical Specifications**

Clear colorless liquid, filter sterilized (0.2  $\mu m$ ). pH 6.0 - 8.0

### Additional Required Equipment

Pipets and Pipette tips Vortex mixer PCR plates/tubes PCR reagents (detection kits) Real-time PCR instrument

#### Instructions for Use

1. Collect sample based on sample type below and mix (invert tube 5 times).

- a. For swab samples: Submerge swab in the reagent after sample collection.
  - b. For saliva samples: Collect saliva into one volume reagent (1:1).

2. After the sample is collected, it can be transported/stored at ambient temperature for up to 1 week or frozen indefinitely.

- 3. Sample processing
  - a. Heat sample aliquot at 95°C for 5 minutes (recommended).
  - b. Add reaction mix and proceed with RT-PCR.

Note: Sample input can make up to 50% reaction volume.

#### Available formats

R1400	bulk reagent
R1401-1	12x80mm collection tube (1 ml fill), with swab