### Protocol for Real-Time RT-PCR SARS-CoV-2 (2019-nCoV) (N Gene/CUB) with P&P

#### For RUO (Research Use Only)

**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-Nagel™ 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 182 µl of AE Elution buffer
  - Homogenization by 10 to 20 times pipetting up and down in the glass vial a  $50\mu L\text{-}\ volume$
  - 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.

**WARNING**: 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	24
AE Elution buffer (μL)	182*

<sup>\*</sup> this volume is adapted to the SuperScript<sup>TM</sup> III Platinum<sup>TM</sup> 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

<sup>\*,</sup> 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

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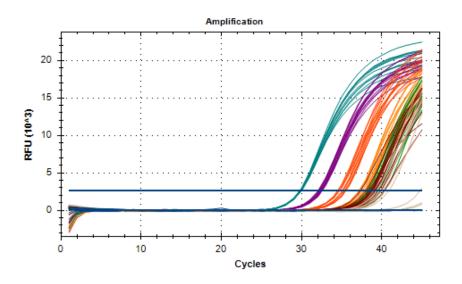


Figure. Results obtained with 5-fold serial dilutions of positive control.

<sup>\*\*,</sup> as indicated in Table 1.