PCRmax Ltd ™ qPCR test

Human papillomavirus 45

E6 (E6) gene

150 tests



For general laboratory and research use only

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Introduction to Human papillomavirus 45

Human papillomaviru-45 (HPV-45) is a common sexually transmitted infection. There are more than 40 HPV types that can infect the genital areas. These HPV types can also infect the mouth and throat. Most people who become infected with HPV do not know they have it.

All papillomavirus transcripts are transcribed as a bicistronic or polycistronic form containing two or more ORFs and are polyadenylated at either an early or late poly(A) site.

Papillomaviruses are a group of small non-enveloped DNA tumor viruses with a virion size of ~55 nm in diameter. This group of viruses infects various animals from birds to mammals, including humans. Papillomaviruses usually cause benign tumor but sometimes also cause malignancies. Our kit targets the E6 (E6) gene of HPV-45

HPV is passed on through genital contact, most often during coitus. HPV may also be passed on during oral sex and genital-to-genital contact. HPV can be passed on even when the infected partner has no signs or symptoms. A person can have HPV even if years have passed since they had sexual contact with an infected person. Most infected persons do not realize they are infected or that they are passing the virus on to a partner. It is also possible to get more than one type of HPV concurrently. Among the more than one hundred formally described human papillomavirus types, 18 are referred to as high-risk HPV types due to their association with anogenital cancer.

Most people with HPV do not develop symptoms or health problems from it. In 90% of cases, the body's immune system clears HPV within two years. But there is no way to know which people who get HPV will go on to develop health problems. Certain types of HPV can cause genital warts in males and females. Other HPV types can cause normal cells in the body to turn abnormal, these HPV types can cause Cervical cancer and other, less common cancers. The types of HPV that can cause genital warts are not the same as the types that can cause cancer.

Genital warts usually appear as a small bump or groups of .Warts can appear within weeks or months after sexual contact with an infected partner—even if the infected partner has no signs of genital warts.

Cervical cancer usually does not have symptoms until it is quite advanced, very serious and hard to treat. For this reason, it is important for women to get regular screening for cervical cancer. Screening tests can find early signs of disease so that problems can be treated early, before they ever turn into cancer.



The PCR Max qPCR Kit for Human papillomavirus 45 (HPV45) genomes is designed for the in vitro quantification of HPV45 genomes. The kit is designed to have the broadest detection profile possible whilst remaining specific to the HPV45 genome.

The primers and probe sequences in this kit have 100% homology with a broad range of HPV45 sequences based on a comprehensive bioinformatics analysis.

If you require further information, or have a specific question about the detection profile of this kit then please send an e.mail to help@pcrmax.com and our bioinformatics team will answer your question.



Kit Contents

- HPV45 specific primer/probe mix (150 reactions BROWN) FAM labelled
- HPV45 positive control template (for Standard curve RED)
- Internal extraction control primer/probe mix (150 reactions BROWN)
 VIC labelled as standard
- Internal extraction control DNA (150 reactions BLUE)
- Endogenous control primer/probe mix (150 reactions BROWN) FAM labelled
- RNAse/DNAse free water (WHITE) for resuspension of primer/probe mixes and internal extraction control DNA
- Template preparation buffer (YELLOW) for resuspension of positive control template and standard curve preparation

Reagents and equipment to be supplied by the user

Real-Time PCR Instrument

DNA extraction kit

This kit designed to work well with all processes that yield high quality DNA with minimal PCR inhibitors.

Lyophilised 2x qPCR Mastermix

This kit is designed to be compatible with all commercially available Mastermixes that run with standard cycling conditions.

Pipettors and Tips

Vortex and centrifuge

Thin walled 1.5 ml PCR reaction tubes

Kit storage and stability

This kit is stable at room temperature but should be stored at -20°C on arrival. Once the lyophilised components have been resuspended they should not be exposed to temperatures above -20°C for longer than 30 minutes and unnecessary repeated freeze/thawing should be avoided. The kit is stable for six months from the date of resuspension under these circumstances.

If a standard curve dilution series is prepared this can be stored frozen for an extended period. If you see any degradation in this serial dilution a fresh standard curve can be prepared from the positive control.

PCRmax does not recommend using the kit after the expiry date stated on the pack.

Suitable sample material All kinds of sample material suited for PCR amplification can be used. Please ensure the samples are suitable in terms of purity, concentration, and DNA integrity (An internal PCR control is supplied to test for non specific PCR inhibitors). Always run at least one negative control with the samples. To prepare a negative-control, replace the template DNA sample with RNAse/DNAse free water.

Dynamic range of test Under optimal PCR conditions PCRmax HPV45 detection kits have very high priming efficiencies of >95% and can detect less than 100 copies of target template.

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Principles of the test

Real-time PCR

A HPV45 specific primer and probe mix is provided and this can be detected through the FAM channel.

The primer and probe mix provided exploits the so-called TaqMan® principle. During PCR amplification, forward and reverse primers hybridize to the HPV45 DNA. A fluorogenic probe is included in the same reaction mixture which consists of a DNA probe labeled with a 5'-dye and a 3'-quencher. During PCR amplification, the probe is cleaved and the reporter dye and quencher are separated. The resulting increase in fluorescence can be detected on a range of real-time PCR platforms.

Positive control

For copy number determination and as a positive control for the PCR set up, the kit contains a positive control template. This can be used to generate a standard curve of HPV45 copy number / Cq value. Alternatively the positive control can be used at a single dilution where full quantitative analysis of the samples is not required. Each time the kit is used, at least one positive control reaction must be included in the run. A positive result indicates that the primers and probes for detecting the target HPV45 gene worked properly in that particular experimental scenario. If a negative result is obtained the test results are invalid and must be repeated. Care should be taken to ensure that the positive control does not contaminate any other kit component which would lead to false-positive results. This can be achieved by handling this component in a Post PCR environment. Care should also be taken to avoid cross-contamination of other samples when adding the positive control to the run. This can be avoided by sealing all other samples and negative controls before pipetting the positive control into the positive control well.

Negative control

To validate any positive findings a negative control reaction should be included every time the kit is used. For this reaction the RNAse/DNAse free water should be used instead of template. A negative result indicates that the reagents have not become contaminated while setting up the run.



Internal DNA extraction control

When performing DNA extraction, it is often advantageous to have an exogenous source of DNA template that is spiked into the lysis buffer. This control DNA is then co-purified with the sample DNA and can be detected as a positive control for the extraction process. Successful co-purification and real-time PCR for the control DNA also indicates that PCR inhibitors are not present at a high concentration.

A separate primer and probe mix are supplied with this kit to detect the exogenous DNA using real-time PCR. The primers are present at PCR limiting concentrations which allows multiplexing with the target sequence primers. Amplification of the control DNA does not interfere with detection of the HPV45 target DNA even when present at low copy number. The Internal control is detected through the VIC channel and gives a Cq value of 28+/-3.

Endogenous control

To confirm extraction of a valid biological template, a primer and probe mix is included to detect an endogenous gene. Detection of the endogenous control is through the FAM channel and it is NOT therefore possible to perform a multiplex with the HPV45 primers. A poor endogenous control signal may indicate that the sample did not contain sufficient biological material.

Carry-over prevention using UNG (optional)

Carry over contamination between PCR reactions can be prevented by including uracil-Nglycosylase (UNG) in the reaction mix. Some commercial Mastermix preparations contain UNG or alternatively it can be added as a separate component. UNG can only prevent carry over from PCR reactions that include deoxyuridine triphosphate (dUTP) in the original PCR reaction. PCRmax recommend the application of 0.2U UNG per assay with a 15 minute incubation step at 37°C prior to amplification. The heat-labile UNG is then inactivated during the Taq polymerase activation step.



Reconstitution Protocol

To minimize the risk of contamination with foreign DNA, we recommend that all pipetting be performed in a PCR clean environment. Ideally this would be a designated PCR lab or PCR cabinet. Filter tips are recommended for all pipetting steps.

- 1. Pulse-spin each tube in a centrifuge before opening. This will ensure lyophilised primer and probe mix is in the base of the tube and is not spilt upon opening the tube.
- 2. Reconstitute the kit components in the RNAse/DNAse free water supplied, according to the table below:

To ensure complete resuspension, vortex each tube thoroughly.

Component - resuspend in water	Volume
Pre-PCR pack	
HPV45 primer/probe mix (BROWN)	165 <i>µ</i> l
Internal extraction control primer/probe mix (BROWN)	165 <i>µ</i> I
Endogenous control primer/probe mix (BROWN)	165 <i>µ</i> l
Pre-PCR heat-sealed foil	
Internal extraction control DNA (BLUE	600 <i>µ</i> I

3. Reconstitute the positive control template in the template preparation buffer supplied, according to the table below:

To ensure complete resuspension, vortex the tube thoroughly.

Component - resuspend in template preparation buffer		
Post-PCR heat-sealed foil		
HPV45 Positive Control Template (RED) *	500 µl	

* This component contains high copy number template and is a VERY significant contamination risk. It must be opened and handled in a separate laboratory environment, away from the other components.

DNA extraction

The internal extraction control DNA can be added either to the DNA lysis/extraction buffer or to the DNA sample once it has been resuspended in lysis buffer.

DO NOT add the internal extraction control DNA directly to the unprocessed biological sample as this will lead to degradation and a loss in signal.

- 1. Add 4μ I of the Internal extraction control DNA (BLUE) to each sample in DNA lysis/extraction buffer per sample.
- 2. Complete DNA extraction according to the manufacturers protocols.

Real-time PCR detection protocol

1. For each DNA sample prepare a reaction mix according to the table below: Include sufficient reactions for positive and negative controls.

Component	Volume
Lyophilised 2x qPCR Mastermix	10 <i>µ</i> l
HPV45 primer/probe mix (BROWN)	1 <i>µ</i> I
Internal extraction control primer/probe mix (BROWN)	1 <i>µ</i> I
RNAse/DNAse free water (WHITE)	3 <i>µ</i> I
Final Volume	15 <i>µ</i> l

2. For each DNA sample prepare an endogenous control reaction according to the table below (Optional):

This control reaction will provide crucial information regarding the quality of the biological sample.

Component	Volume
Lyophilised 2x qPCR Mastermix	10 <i>µ</i> l
Endogenous control primer/probe mix (BROWN)	1 <i>µ</i> I
RNAse/DNAse free water (WHITE)	4 <i>µ</i> I
Final Volume	15 <i>µ</i> l

- 3. Pipette 15μ l of each mix into individual wells according to your real-time PCR experimental plate set up.
- 4. Prepare sample DNA templates for each of your samples.
- 5. Pipette 5μ l of DNA template into each well, according to your experimental plate set up.

For negative control wells use 5μ I of RNAse/DNAse free water. The final volume in each well is 20μ I.

6. If a standard curve is included for quantitative analysis prepare a reaction mix according to the table below:

Component	Volume
Lyophilised 2x qPCR Mastermix	10 <i>µ</i> I
HPV45 primer/probe mix (BROWN)	1 <i>µ</i> I
RNAse/DNAse free water (WHITE)	4 <i>µ</i> I
Final Volume	15 <i>µ</i> l

7. Preparation of standard curve dilution series.

- 1) Pipette 90μ I of template preparation buffer into 5 tubes and label 2-6
- 2) Pipette 10μ of Positive Control Template (RED) into tube 2 3) Vortex thoroughly
- 4) Change pipette tip and pipette 10μ l from tube 2 into tube 3
- 5) Vortex thoroughly

Repeat steps 4 and 5 to complete the dilution series

Standard Curve	Copy Number
Tube 1 Positive control (RED)	2 x 10⁵ per <i>µ</i> l
Tube 2	2 x 10⁴ per <i>µ</i> l
Tube 3	2 x 10 ³ per <i>µ</i> l
Tube 4	2 x 10 ² per <i>µ</i> l
Tube 5	20 per <i>µ</i> l
Tube 6	2 per µl

8. Pipette 5μ of standard template into each well for the standard curve according to your experimental plate set up. The final volume in each well is 20μ l.

Amplification Protocol

Amplification conditions using Lyophilsed 2x qPCR Mastermix.

	Step	Time	Temp
	UNG treatment (if required) **	15 mins	37 °C
	2 mins	95 °C	
Cycling x50	Denaturation	10 secs	95 °C
	DATA COLLECTION *	60 secs	60 °C

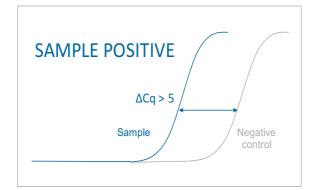
* Fluorogenic data should be collected during this step through the FAM and VIC channels ** Required if your Mastermix includes UNG to prevent PCR carryover contamination

Interpretation of Results

Target (FAM)	Internal control (VIC)	Positive control	Negative control	Interpretation
≤ 30	+/-	+	-	POSITIVE QUANTITATIVE RESULT calculate copy number
> 30	+	+	-	POSITIVE QUANTITATIVE RESULT calculate copy number
> 30	-	+	-	POSITIVE QUALITATIVE RESULT do not report copy number as this may be due to poor sample extraction
-	+	+	-	NEGATIVE RESULT
+/-	+/-	+	≤ 35	EXPERIMENT FAILED due to test contamination
+/-	+/-	+	> 35	*
-	-	+	-	SAMPLE PREPARATION FAILED
+/-	+/-	-	+/-	EXPERIMENT FAILED

Positive control template (RED) is expected to amplify between Cq 16 and 23. Failure to satisfy this quality control criterion is a strong indication that the experiment has been compromised.

*Where the test sample is positive and the negative control is positive with a Cq > 35, the sample must be reinterpreted based on the relative signal strength of the two results:



If the sample amplifies > 5 Cq earlier than the negative control then the sample should be reinterpreted (via the table above) with the negative control verified as negative.

INCONCLUSIVE	
	$\Delta Cq < 5$
Sample	Negative control

If the sample amplifies < 5 Cq earlier than the negative control then the positive sample result is invalidated and the result should be determined inconclusive due to test contamination. The test for this sample should be repeated.

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Internal PCR control

The Cq value obtained with the internal control will vary significantly depending on the extraction efficiency, the quantity of DNA added to the PCR reaction and the individual machine settings. Cq values of 28±3 are within the normal range. When amplifying a HPV45 sample with a high genome copy number, the internal extraction control may not produce an amplification plot. This does not invalidate the test and should be interpreted as a positive experimental result.

Endogenous control

The signal obtained from the endogenous control primer and probe set will vary according to the amount of biological material present in a given sample. An early signal indicates the presence of a good yield of biological material. A late signal suggests that little biological material is present in the sample.

