Table 2: Characteristics of Rapid Influenza Diagnostic Tests (Antigen Detection Only)¹

Procedure (Manufacturer/Distributor)	Influenza Virus Types Detected	Approved Specimens ²	CLIA Waived ³	Uses Analyzer Reader Device
BD Directigen™ EZ Flu A+B⁴ (Becton-Dickinson & Co.)	A and B	NP ⁵ wash/aspirate/swab Throat swab	No	No
BD Veritor™ System for Rapid Detection of Flu A+B⁴ (CLIA-waived), (Becton Dickinson & Co.)	A and B	NP ⁵ swab/ nasal swab	Yes	Yes
BD Veritor™ System for Rapid Detection of Flu A+B ⁴ (Moderately Complex), (Becton Dickinson & Co.)	A and B	NP ⁵ wash/aspirate	No	Yes
Binax NOW® Influenza A&B ⁴ Test (Alere Scarborough, Inc.)	A and B	NP ⁵ swab, Nasal wash/aspirate/swab	Yes	No
BioSign® Flu A+B ⁴ or OraSure QuickFlu Rapid A+B Test or Polymedco Poly stat Flu A&B Test or LifeSign LLC Status Flu A&B (Princeton BioMedtech Corp.)	A and B	NP ⁵ swab/aspirate/wash, nasal swab	No	No
ClearView Exact II Influenza A&B Test or	A and B	Nasal swab	Yes	No

Alere Influenza A&B Test (Alere Scarborough, Inc.)				
OSOM® Influenza A&B ⁴ Test (Sekisui Diagnostics)	A and B	Nasal swab	No	No
QuickVue® Influenza A/B Test ⁶ (Quidel Corp.)	A and B	Nasal wash/aspirate/swab	Yes	No
QuickVue® Influenza A+B Test⁴ (Quidel Corp.)	A and B	NP ⁵ swab Nasal wash/aspirate/swab	Yes	No
RAMP Influenza A/B Assay or 3M™ Rapid Detection Flu A+B Test⁴ (Response Biomedical Corp.)	A and B	NP ⁵ swab/aspirate Nasal wash/aspirate	No	Yes
SAS™ FluAlert A&B Test ⁴ (SA Scientific, Inc.)	A and B	Nasal wash/aspirate	No	No
SAS™ Influenza A Test ⁴ (SA Scientific, Inc.)	A only	Nasal wash/aspirate	Yes	No
SAS™ Influenza B Test ^{4,6} (SA Scientific, Inc.)	B only	Nasal wash/aspirate	Yes	No

Sofia® Analyzer and Influenza A+B FIA ⁴ (CLIA-waived) (Quidel Corp.)	A and B	NP ⁵ swab Nasal swab	Yes	Yes
Sofia® Analyzer and Influenza A+B FIA ⁴ (Quidel Corp.)	A and B	NP ⁵ aspirate/ wash	No	Yes
TRU FLU ^{®4} (Meridian Bioscience, Inc.)	A and B	NP ⁵ aspirate/swab Nasal wash/swab	No	No
XPECT™ Influenza A/B ⁴ (Remel Inc./Thermo Fisher Scientific)	A and B	Nasal wash/swab Throat swab	No	No

- 1. List may not include all test kits approved by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration. Discontinued tests not included.
- 2. Approved respiratory specimens according to manufacturer's package insert. Note that test performance may vary if other respiratory specimens are used.
- 3. Ref: http://www.cms.gov/Regulations-and-Guidance/Legislation/CLIA/index.html
- 4. Distinguishes between influenza A and B virus infections.
- 5. NP = nasopharyngeal.
- 6. Does not distinguish between influenza A and B virus infections when used alone.

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