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## TELEVir Field Protocol

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### DISCLAIMER

This protocol was prepared for a workshop held the 23-24 June 2022 at Statens Serum Institut, Denmark. Here 25 TELEVIR partners from 10 European countries participated to train in the usage of a field-deployable point-of-incidence toolbox to identify emerging virus threats. The protocol was used to detect SARS-CoV-2 and Human Papillomavirus a RNA and DNA virus detection test-of-concept.

### ABSTRACT

The TELE-Vir project key aim is to develop a fast point-of-incidence (poi) toolbox for identification and characterisation of emerging virus threats for humans and/or domestic and wildlife animals.

Presented here is a protocol including sample pretreatment, NA extraction and random amplification for metagenomic virus detection using the MinION device (Oxford Nanopore Technologies)

## Pretreatment

15m

1

15m



## DNase Set | Zymo Research Catalog #E1010

### Equipment

#### BD Disposable Syringe with Luer-Lok Tip (5ml)

NAME

Syringe

TYPE

Becton Dickinson

BRAND

309649

SKU

### Equipment

#### Syringe Filter pore size 0.2 µm

NAME

Filter

TYPE

Minisart

BRAND

16532

SKU

<https://www.sartorius.com/shop/ww/en/usd/applications-laboratory-filtration-sterile-filtration/minisart-syringe-filter%2C-polyethersulfone-%28pes%29%2C-pore-size-0-22-%C2%B5m%2C-ethylene-oxide%2C-female-luer-lock%2C-male-luer-lock%2C-pack-size-50/p/16532->

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Polyethersulfone (PES), Pore Size 0.22 µm, Ethylene Oxide, Female Luer Lock, Male Luer Lock, Pack Size 50

SPECIFICATIONS



400 µL Sample



50 µL DNase  
I



50 µL DNase Digestion  
buffer




00:15:00 at room  
temperature

#### Note

If 400 µL sample is not available, downscale the reagents to fit the lower sample volume.

- 2 Add  500 µL PBS (or equivalent to 1 ml sample material in total)
- 3 Poor the diluted sample into the lid of the Syringe Filter (Minsart). The filter can be placed on a sterile surface meanwhile e.g. the Syringe Filter paper lid (inner side).
- 4 Suck in air corresponding to app 1 ml in a 5 ml syringe
- 5 Extract the 1 ml sample material from the petri dish to the 5 ml syringe
- 6 Attach the 0,22 µM Minisart syringe filter to the 5 ml syringe with Luer-Lok
- 7 Filter the sample and air directly into a 4.5 ml cryotube containing 1 ml MPLB-buffer. Put lid on, mix by turning tube.

 MagNA Pure LC Total Nucleic Acid Isolation Kit Roche Catalog  
#03038505001

## Inactivation

20m

- 8 Incubate

20m



00:20:00 at room  
temperature

for viral inactivation

## CITATION

Vinner L, Fomsgaard A (2007). Inactivation of orthopoxvirus for diagnostic PCR analysis.. Journal of virological methods.

## CITATION

Rosenstierne MW, Jensen CE, Fomsgaard A (2018). Rapid, Safe, and Simple Manual Bedside Nucleic Acid Extraction for the Detection of Virus in Whole Blood Samples.. Journal of visualized experiments : JoVE.

LINK

<https://doi.org/10.3791/58001>

## Extraction

10m

### 9 Kit used for hand held NA extraction:



MagNA Pure LC Total Nucleic Acid Isolation Kit Roche Catalog  
#03038505001

## Equipment

4.5 ml cryotube

NAME

tube

TYPE

Thermo Fisher Scientific

BRAND

363452

SKU

<https://www.thermofisher.com/order/catalog/product/363452>

LINK

## Equipment

**3.6 ml cryotube**

NAME

Tube

TYPE

Thermo Fisher Scientific

BRAND

379189

SKU

<https://www.thermofisher.com/order/catalog/product/363452>

LINK

Cylinder magnet

A rubber band to attach the magnet to a tube.

A 50 ml Nunc tube or similar to pour excess solutions into for disposing.

Following the protocol by:

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**10** Per *X* number of samples, aliquot in cryotubes or Eppendorf tubes


10m

 960 µL Magnetic Glass Particles (MGPs) in an Eppendorf tube

 4 mL Wash buffer I in a 4.5 ml cryotube

 1.5 mL Wash buffer II in an Eppendorf tube

 3 mL Wash buffer III in a 3.6 ml cryotube

 100 µL Elution buffer in an Eppendorf tube

Prepare one sample at the time.

Approximate time  00:10:00 per sample

**11** Add 960 µl MGPs to 2 ml solution of sample and MPLB-buffer

- 12 Put lid on and turn tube in hand gently until well mixed
- 13 Attach magnet and trap beads.
- 14 Pour solution into trash tube. The MGPs should stay behind trapped on the side of the tube.
- 15 Pour Wash buffer I in the sample tube
- 16 Put a lid on, remove magnet and turn the tube in hand gently until well mixed
- 17 Attach magnet and trap beads.
- 18 Pour solution into trash tube. The MGPs should stay behind trapped on the side of the tube.
- 19 Pour Wash buffer II in the sample tube
- 20 Put a lid on, remove magnet and turn the tube in hand gently until well mixed

- 21 Attach magnet and trap beads.
- 22 Pour solution into trash tube. The MGPs should stay behind trapped on the side of the tube.
- 23 Pour Wash buffer III in the sample tube
- 24 Put a lid on, remove magnet and turn the tube in hand gently until well mixed
- 25 Attach magnet and trap beads.
- 26 Pour solution into trash tube. The MGPs should stay behind trapped on the side of the tube.
- 27 Pour Elution buffer in the sample tube
- 28 Put a lid on, remove magnet and turn the gently until beads are eluted.

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Transfer

10  $\mu$ L Elution Buffer with  
MGPs

to 2 x 0.2 ml PCR tube

## Whole Transcriptome and Genome Amplification

4h

30

Equipment to enable portability

- A MiniPCR to run isothermal incubations
- A powerbank that can provide 20V. Use one to power the miniPCR and another to power the MinION for approximately 5 hours. Use brand of choice.
- A salad swing as a hand driven centrifuge. Use brand of choice.
- A coolbox for reagents and cooling samples. Use brand of choice.

### Equipment

All-in1 Laptop Powerbank 24000

NAME

Power Bank

TYPE

Sanberg

BRAND

420-57

SKU

<https://sandberg.world/da-dk/product/all-in-1-laptop-powerbank-2400>

LINK

Any powerbank that can produce 20V is acceptable. Have 2-3 to run the MiniPCR and the MinION

SPECIFICATIONS



## Equipment

**miniPCR® mini8 thermal cycler**

NAME

Thermal cycler

TYPE

miniPCR®

BRAND

mini8

SKU

<https://www.minipcr.com/>

LINK



## Equipment

**A Salad Spinner Centrifuge**

NAME

Centrifuge

TYPE

undefined

BRAND

undefined

SKU

[https://www.oxo.com/salad-spinner.html?](https://www.oxo.com/salad-spinner.html?queryID=975936c98686e2b0325b684dd613daff&objectID=2251&indexName=magento2_prod_oxoxo_products#color=White)

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Kit used for WTA and WGA



REPLI-g Cell WGA & WTA Qiagen Catalog  
#150052


Quantiscript RT Enzyme Mix, Ligase Mix, and REPLI-g SensiPhi DNA Polymerase should be thawed on ice.

All other components can be thawed at room temperature (15–25°C)

- 31** The two aliquots of same sample enables uniform whole genome amplification (WGA) and whole transcriptome amplification (WTA) in parallel reactions.


## 32 Cleanup for WTA

10m

Add  2 µL gDNA Wipeout Buffer to PCR tube with 10 µl eluted sample material

 00:10:00  42 °C on MiniPCR

## 33 Repair (WGA) and Reverse Transcription (WTA)

33.1 For **WGA**, mix following and add  10 µL Repair reagent mix to sample

Reagents	Volume (µL) per sample
RT/Polymerase Buffer	4
gDNA Wipeout buffer	2
H2O sc	1
Random primer	1
Random Hex-P primer (20µM)	1
WGA Ready Enzym	1
Total	10

This modified protocol uses 5'-phosphorylated random hexamers (P-N6) instead of kit provided oligo-dT primers according to Rosenstierne et al (2014).

### CITATION

Rosenstierne MW, McLoughlin KS, Olesen ML, Papa A, Gardner SN, Engler O, Plumet S, Mirazimi A, Weidmann M, Niedrig M, Fomsgaard A, Erlandsson L (2014). The microbial detection array for detection of emerging viruses in clinical samples--a useful panmicrobial diagnostic tool.. PloS one.

LINK

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### 33.2 For WTA, mix following and add 8 µL RT reagent mix to sample

Reagents	Volume (µL) per sample
RT/Polymerase Buffer	4
H2O sc	1
Random primer	1
Random Hex-P primer (20µM)	1
Quantiscript RT Enzym Mix	1
Total	8

### 33.3 Incubate 1h 3m

🕒 01:00:00 🌡️ 42 °C On MiniPCR

Afterwards immediatly

🕒 00:03:00 🌡️ 95 °C on MiniPCR

## 34 Ligation 35m

Mix following and add 10 µL Ligation mix to each tube

Reagents	Volume (µL) per sample
Ligation buffer	8
Ligase Mix	2
Total	10

Incubate

🕒 00:30:00

🌡️ 24 °C This is the Repli-G recommended temperature, however, the miniPCR only goes to 25C. Instead of incubation in the MiniPCR, try table-top incubation.

🕒 00:05:00 🌡️ 95 °C

Hold at 🌡️ 4 °C

## 35 Amplification 2h 5m

Mix following and add 30 µL amplification mix to each tube

Reagents	Volume (μL) per sample
Repli-g reaction buffer	29
Repli-g SensiPhi DNA polymerase	1
Total	30

Incubate

 02:00:00  30 °C

 00:05:00  65 °C

Hold at  4 °C

- 36 For library preparation use amplified material **without** MGPs.

## Library Preparation

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Multiple rapid library preparation kits are available through **Oxford Nanopore Technology**.  
For Workshop we use.



Rapid Sequencing Kit Oxford Nanopore Technologies Catalog #SQK-RAD004

### Equipment

MinION Mk1C

NAME

Sequencer

TYPE

Oxford Nanopore Technology

BRAND

MIN-101C

SKU

<https://store.nanoporetech.com/minion-mk1c.html>

LINK