

RT-QuIC Reagents

Chronic Wasting Disease (CWD)

RESEARCH USE ONLY

RT-QuIC for CWD and other prions





Standardized reagents for consistent results

Minimizes variability between individuals or labs Little optimization required



Reagents are ready-to-use

No filtration or centrifugation required Less handling leads to less opportunity for human error Saves time



Maximal sensitivity with minimal spontaneous protein conversion

Sensitive detection in many sample types Reduces risk of false positives

Test Performance

Inter-laboratory reproducibility

Two-year study using rectal biopsy samples from elk

Excellent agreement among 5 participating laboratories performing RT-QuIC

	# samples	Kappa
Year 1	387	0.92
Year 2	315	0.89

Early antemortem detection of CWD prions

RT-QuIC and IHC performed on serial biopsies from experimentally infected white-tailed deer

CWD prions detected an average of 4 months earlier in tonsil biopsies and 3.7 months earlier in rectal biopsies with RT-QuIC All deer with positive RT-QuIC results became IHC-positive



Other features

- Same homogenization techniques as ELISA
- Removal of normal prion protein not required
- Ability to test sample types not feasible with IHC
- Can be used on formalin-fixed tissue 3

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RT-QuIC Amplification Reagent

CATALOG #: RTQUIC-CWD-AR

Store at -80°C

- Contains 1.25 mL per tube (enough for half of a 96-well plate)
- Composed of Syrian Hamster recombinant PrPc amino acids 90-231
- Shown to effectively identify abnormal prion proteins associated with numerous diseases in multiple species, including CWD, scrapie, BSE, FSE, vCJD, and sCJD

5x RT-QuIC Reaction Buffer

CATALOG #: RTQUIC-CWD-RB

Store at -20°C

- Contains 1 mL per tube (enough for half of a 96-well plate)
- Composed of 5x PBS pH 7.4, 1.6 M NaCl, 5 nM EDTA, and 50 μM thioflavin T
- Prefiltered and ready to use

10x Sample Dilution Buffer

CATALOG #: RTQUIC-CWD-DB

Store at -20°C prior to dilution and at room temperature after dilution to 1x

- Contains 1 mL per tube
- Composed of 1x PBS +1.0% SDS
- Must be diluted 10-fold with reagent-grade water before use
- Used after sample homogenization to obtain the final dilution of sample for an optimal RT-QuIC reaction.

RT-QuIC Synthetic Positive Control

CATALOG #: RTQUIC-CWD-PC

Store at 4°C

- Contains 100 µL per tube
- Mimics activity of (+) RPLN
- Non-infectious
- Ready to use
- Results in 24 hours
- Early confirmation of test validity

Recommended Sample Dilutions:

Brain: 10⁻⁴

Lymph node: 10⁻³

RAMALT tissue: 10⁻²

Other tissues or organs: 102 to 103

Feces, urine, and saliva: Concentration methods should be used for effective prion recovery. 4.5

CSF: See literature for optimal SDS concentration and dilution. 6,7