

BZ COVID-19 Ag Test



BioZentech

Company Profile



2015-2016

Y2015

- Established BioZentech Co, LTD.

Y2016

- Medical Equipment Manufacturer approved
- Microscanner ver1.0 approved by KFDA
- Grant from Korea University Guro Hospital IVD support center
- MOU agreement with Korea University Guro Hospital IVD support center to develop IVD equipment
- Designated Industry-Academy Cooperation technique development project of Small and Medium Business Administration



2017-2018

Y2017

- Technology transfer agreement with Korea Univ.(Control of Micro & Nano particles)
- CSF Counter approved by Korea FDA
- CSF Stain Solution approved by Korea FDA
- Join in Research support project with Korea Medical center.
- MOU with R-Biopharm for Europe market

Y2018

- Annex research institute approved
- Selection of government project by Small and Medium Business Administration, Grant total US\$400K



2019-2020

Y2019

- President's Commendation at 12th Korean Medical Device Day
- MOU contract with Korea University Industry-Academy Cooperation (TB/NTM diagnosis)

Y2020

- BZ QPCR COVID-19 kit approved by Korea FDA and CE-IVD certificate diagnostic kit (April)
- Attract investment – Korea Technology Finance Corporation, Kibo) (June)
- BZ COVID-19 IgM/IgG approved by Korea FDA (July)
- BZ COVID -19 IgM/IgG approved by CE- IVD certificate (August)
- BZ IsoMDx COVID-19 kit approved by Korea FDA and CE-IVD Certificate(August)



R&D Oriented Company OK



○ Innovative R&D and Technology

- R&D members accounts 75%
- Detection technology for Super-low cell concentration & Pathogen
- Best-In-Class of On-site quantitative testing system
- Fully automated all-in-one molecular isothermal amplification technology, 1st in Korea
- Patent registration (4)



○ Certificate

Manufacturing
under KGMP and ISO13485



Coronavirus, what is COVID-19 ?

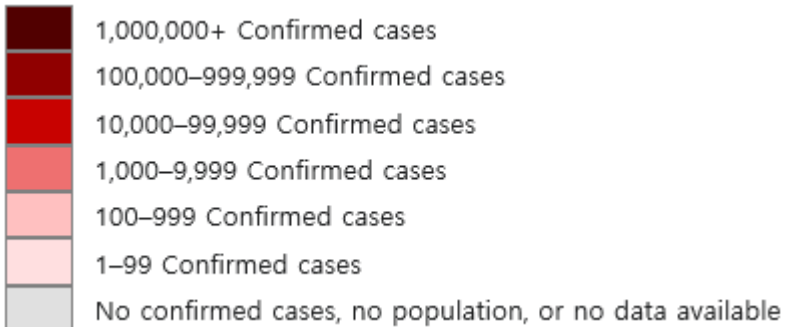
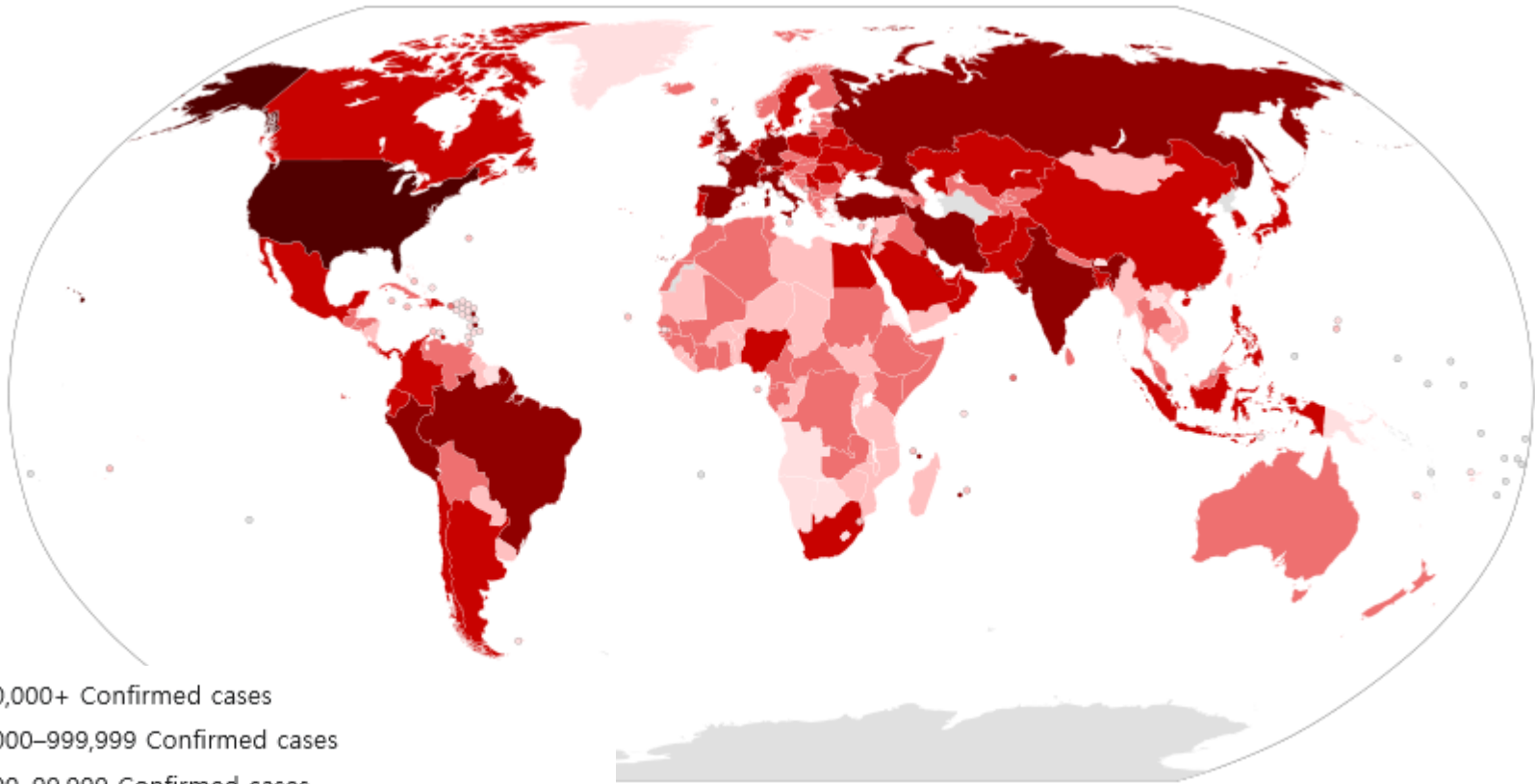


- **Enveloped viruses with positive single-stranded RNA with a nucleocapsid of helical symmetry**
- **Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus-2 (SARS-CoV-2) is the name given to the 2019 novel coronavirus COVID-19**
- **SARS-CoV-2 is a new strain of coronavirus that has not been previously identified in humans**
- **Genetically distinct from**
 - SARS-CoV-1 (Severe Acute Respiratory Syndrome Coronavirus-1), sequence homology approx. 77.5%
 - MERS-CoV (Middle East Respiratory Syndrome coronavirus), sequence homology approx. 50%
- **The first case of COVID-19 was reported in Wuhan city, Hubei Province, China in December 2019**
- **Symptom : Fever, dry cough, tiredness, muscular pain, difficulty breathing, severe pneumonia**
- **Incubation period : 2 – 14 days**
- **No vaccines or treatments up to date**

COVID-19 case map (based on 30th May 2020)



Over 6M of COVID-19 infection cases in world-wide have been reported in 215 countries, and expected that the pandemic would continue for a year or more.



BZ COVID-19 Ag Test



BZ COVID-19 Ag Test is a rapid, qualitative and convenient immunochromatographic in vitro assay for the differential detection of SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen in human nasal swab, nasopharyngeal swab samples.

- Immunochromatographic method using antibodies of SARS-CoV-2
- Detection Antigen : SARS-CoV-2 virus antigen
- Limit of Detection : 1.6×10^3 TCID₅₀/mL
- Reaction Time : 20 mins

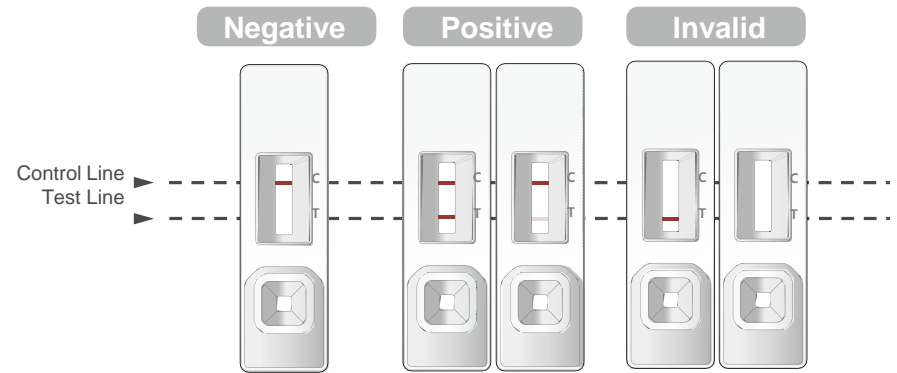
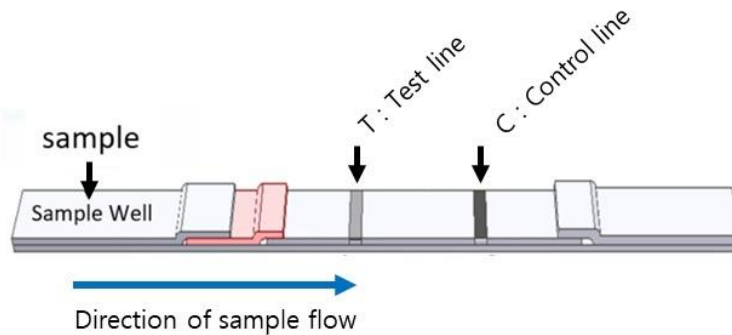


Components (50 T/Kit)	Amount
Test Cassette with Desiccant	50 EA
Reagent Solution	20 mL
Reagent Tube	50 EA
Sterilized Nasal swab	50 EA
Instruction for Use	

BZ COVID-19 Ag Test



- Detection of SARS-CoV-2 virus using immunochromatographic method
- Superior detection performance with a reaction time shorter than 20mins
- No specific equipment needed



Re-test with a new test Cassette.

Work Procedure



- Reaction time shorter than 20mins improving laboratory efficiency

SPECIMEN COLLECTION

- 1** Insert a sterile swab into the nostril of the patient, reaching the surface of the posterior nasopharynx.



- 2** Swab over the surface of the posterior nasopharynx.



- 3** Withdraw the sterile swab from the nasal cavity.



TEST PROCEDURE

- 1** Add 300ul reagent solution (approximately 9 drops) into the reagent tube.



- 2** Add Nasal/Nasopharyngeal swab to the tube with reagent solution.



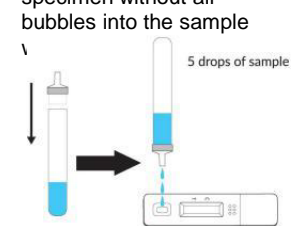
- 3** Vigorously rotate and twist the swab against the side of the tube at least 10 times.



- 4** Squeeze the sides of the tube to obtain as much liquid as possible. Dispose of swab properly.



- 5** Apply the cap to the tubes with specimen, and hold the tube vertically, add 5 drops (about 120 µL) of the specimen without air bubbles into the sample



Performance Data: Sensitivity



- BZ COVID-19 Ag Test demonstrated high **sensitivity** in a comparative study by a clinical research institute
- Evaluation Criteria(Simplified Signal Intensity Description)

Description	Result	Reactivity Level
Negative, Trace	Negative	None
VW+, W	Positive	Low
1+, 2+ and 3+	Positive	Medium
4+ and 5+	Positive	High

Determination of LoD Test (10-fold serial dilution at Stock conc.)

Strain name	Stock concentration	Diluted concentration			
SARS-Related Coronavirus 2, Isolate USA-USA-WA1/2020, Heat inactivated (VR-1986HK™, Lot#70036071)	1.6×10^5 TCID ₅₀ /mL	1.6×10^4 TCID ₅₀ /mL	1.6×10^3 TCID ₅₀ /mL	1.6×10^2 TCID ₅₀ /mL	1.6×10 TCID ₅₀ /mL
Dilution ratio (Stock : diluted sample)		1 : 10	1 : 100	1 : 1,000	1 : 10,000

Confirmation of LoD Test (2-fold dilution and 20 repeats test at BEI resources LOD conc.)

Strain name	Stock concentration	Diluted concentration			
SARS-Related Coronavirus 2, Isolate USA-USA-WA1/2020, Heat inactivated (VR-1986HK™, Lot#70036071)	1.6×10^5 TCID ₅₀ /mL	3.2×10^3 TCID ₅₀ /mL	1.6×10^3 TCID ₅₀ /mL	8×10^2 TCID ₅₀ /mL	4×10^2 TCID ₅₀ /mL
Dilution ratio (Stock : diluted sample)		1 : 50	1 : 100	1 : 200	1 : 400

Performance Data: Sensitivity with specimen



Result

The ten-fold serial dilution test results with three replicates for inactivated SARS-CoV-2 strain diluted sample matrix were presented in the table below:

Strain name	Sample matrix	Virus Serial dilution concentration(TCID ₅₀ /mL) (No. of positive /No of replicate)			
		1.6 x 10 ⁴	1.6 x 10 ³	1.6 x 10 ²	1.6 x 10
SARS-Related Coronavirus 2, Isolate Isolate USA-WA1/2020, Heat inactivated (VR-1986HK™, Lot#70036071)	Negative nasopharyngeal swab	3/3	3/3	1/3	0/3
	Negative Nasal swab	3/3	3/3	1/3	0/3

The two-fold serial dilution test results with 20 replicates at expected LOD conc. for inactivated SARS-CoV-2 strain diluted sample matrix were presented in the table below:

Strain name	Sample matrix	Virus Serial dilution concentration(TCID ₅₀ /mL) (No. of positive /No of replicate)			
		3.2 x 10 ³	1.6 x 10 ³	8 x 10 ²	4 x 10 ²
SARS-Related Coronavirus 2, Isolate Isolate USA-WA1/2020, Heat inactivated (VR-1986HK™, Lot#70036071)	Negative nasopharyngeal swab	20/20	20/20	11/20	2/20
	Negative Nasal swab	20/20	20/20	13/20	3/20

Conclusion

SARS-CoV-2 virus panel was tested with BZ COVID-19 Ag Test. The LoD concentration of the virus strain was determined by 3 replicates of serial dilution test. The determined LoD concentration of the virus strain was verified with 20 additional replicates. In this study, LoD of the BZ COVID-19 Ag Test was determined as **1.6 x 10³ TCID₅₀/mL**.

Performance Data: Cross Reactivity



○ No Cross reactivity is observed for the pathogens showing the similar symptoms

Panel information (Virus)	Lot #1		Lot #2		Lot #3	
	Antigen : 3x LoD		Antigen : 3x LoD		Antigen : 3x LoD	
	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
Adenovirus1	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Adenovirus7	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Enterovirus 71, Tainan/4643/1998	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Human coronavirus (OC43)	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Human coronavirus (229E)	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Human coronavirus (NL63)	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Human metapneumovirus (hMPV)	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Influenza A/Michigan/45/2015	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Influenza B/Wisconsin/01/2010	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
MERS-Coronavirus, Irradiated Lysate	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Parainfluenza virus type 1	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Parainfluenza virus type 2	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Parainfluenza virus type 3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Parainfluenza virus type 4	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Respiratory syncytial virus Type B	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Rhinovirus	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
SARS-Coronavirus	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Pooled human nasal wash	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3

Performance Data: Cross Reactivity



- **No Cross reactivity is observed for the pathogens showing the similar symptoms**

Panel information (Bacteria)	Lot #1		Lot #2		Lot #3	
	Antigen : 3x LoD		Antigen : 3x LoD		Antigen : 3x LoD	
	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative	Positive	Negative
Bodetella pertussis	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Candida albicans	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Chlamydomphila pneumoniae	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Haemophilus influenzae	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Legionella pneumophila	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Mycoplasma pneumoniae	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Streptococcus pneumoniae	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3
Streptococcus pyogenes, Group A	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3	3/3	0/3

- **Conclusion**

All cross-reaction specimens were tested with BZ COVID-19 Ag Test. No cross-reaction was observed. The results demonstrated that BZ COVID-19 Ag Test has good analytical specificity (no have cross-reactivity).

Performance Data: Interference test



- The performance of the kit is not interfered by the substances of component of specimen and specimen storage buffer

No.	Potential interfering substances	
1	Acetaminophen	10 mg/mL
2	Acetylsalicylic acid	15 mg/mL
3	Beclomethasone	0.5 mg/mL
4	Chlorpheniramine maleate	5 mg/mL
5	Dextromethorphan HBr	2 mg/mL
6	Diphenhydramine HCl	5 mg/mL
7	Ephedrine HCl	10 mg/mL
8	Guaiacol Glyceryl Ether	20 mg/ml
9	Histamine dihydrochloride	10 mg/mL
10	Mometasone	1 mg/mL
11	Mucin	2%
12	Throat drop (Halls)	15%

No.	Potential interfering substances	
13	Throat drop (Ricola)	15%
14	Throat drop (Zinc)	15%
15	Nasal spray (Afrin)	15%
16	Nasal spray (VicksSinex)	15%
17	Nasal spray (Zicam)	15%
18	Oxymetazoline HCl	10 mg/mL
19	Phenylephrine HCl	50 mg/mL
20	Phenylpropanolamine	20 mg/mL
21	Tobramycin	1 mg/mL
22	Triamcinolone	1 mg/mL
23	Whole blood	5%

Performance Data: Reproducibility



- There is no bias result between experimenters in different places.

Lot #1~3 DAY 1~5 Operator 1 Site 1	Panel	RUN#11(AM)			RUN#2(PM)		
	CoV19 Ag	R1	R1	R2	R3	R2	R3
	Positive 3*LoD	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+
	Negative Nashpharyngeal	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0
	Sample buffer	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0

Lot #1~3 DAY 1~5 Operator 2 Site 2	Panel	RUN#11(AM)			RUN#2(PM)		
	CoV19 Ag	R1	R1	R2	R3	R2	R3
	Positive 3*LoD	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+
	Negative Nashpharyngeal	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0
	Sample buffer	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0

※ Test Sample panel : SARS-Related Coronavirus 2, Isolate USA-WA1/2020, Heat inactivated (VR-1986HK™, Lot#70036071) 3*LoD (4.8 x 10³ TCID₅₀/mL)

Performance Data: Repeatability



- The Repeatability analysis shows 100% consistent precise result by day, site, operator.

Lot #1 DAY 1~20 Operator 1 Site 1	Panel	RUN#11(AM)			RUN#2(PM)		
	CoV19 Ag	R1	R1	R2	R3	R2	R3
	Positive 3*LoD	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+
	Negative Nashpharyngeal swab	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0
	Sample buffer	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0

Lot #1 DAY 1~20 Operator 2 Site 2	Panel	RUN#11(AM)			RUN#2(PM)		
	CoV19 Ag	R1	R1	R2	R3	R2	R3
	Positive 3*LoD	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+	4+/2+
	Negative Nashpharyngeal swab	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0
	Sample buffer	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0	4+/0

※ Test Sample panel : SARS-Related Coronavirus 2, Isolate USA-WA1/2020, Heat inactivated (VR-1986HK™, Lot#70036071) 3*LoD (4.8 x 10³ TCID₅₀/mL)

Performance Data: Stability (Acceleration test)



- The accelerated stability testing during 7 weeks showed the same performance across all samples, We confirmed that the shelf life was **12 months**. The acceleration test is ongoing and the stability can Be extended according to subsequent test results.
- Result (Stability at 60°C (Lot #1~3))

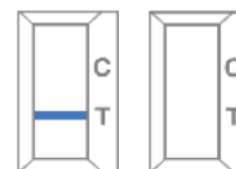
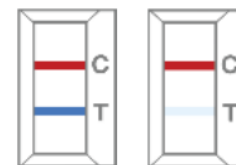
Storage condition	Storage duration	Replicate	Test results : C/T	
			Negative	SARS-CoV-2 Positive (3XLoD, 4.8 x 10 ³ TCID ₅₀ /mL)
			Nasopharyngeal matrix	Nasopharyngeal matrix
60°C	0 week (Initial test)	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+
	1 week	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+
	2 week	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+
	3 week	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+
	4 week	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+
	5 week	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+
	6 week	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+
	7 week	1 st , 2 nd , 3 rd	4+/0	4+/2+

Clinical Evaluation



Study design & Materials

- Test device : BZ COVID-19 Ag Test (Biozentech Co., Ltd.)
- Reference device : Allplex 2019-nCoV Assay; approved Emergency Use Authorization from Korea Centers for Disease Control
- Specimens : Nasopharyngeal swab, Sputum, Nasal swab
 - Sixty positive positive nasopharyngeal samples
 - One hundred thirty eight negative nasopharyngeal samples
 - Thirty eight positive sputum samples
 - Ten negative sputum samples
 - Two positive nasal samples
 - Two negative nasal samples
- Data Analysis
 - Positive : Two distinct lines appear
 - One red-colored line next to "C" and one blue-colored line next to "T" indicates COVID-19 positive result.
 - Negative
 - One red-colored line only next to "C" indicates a negative result.
 - Invalid
 - If the red-colored line in the control region "C" is not visible, the result is invalid. Re-run the test one time using the remaining specimen in the extraction vial if an invalid result is obtained during initial testing



Clinical Evaluation



1-1. Summary(Nasopharyngeal swab, sputum, nasal swab test)

Method		Comparator Method (Allplex™ 2019-nCoV Assay)	
		Positive	Negative
BZ COVID-19 Ag Test	Positive	97	1
	Negative	3	149
Total		100	150
PPA(Positive Percent Agreement)		97/100*100=97.0%	
NPA(Negative Percent Agreement)		149/150*100=99.3%	

Conclusion

Based on section 3-1, clinical sensitivity was 97.0% (97/100) and clinical specificity was 99.3% (149/150) comparing Allplex™ 2019-nCoV Assay in nasopharyngeal swab, sputum and nasal swab sample. In conclusion, BZ COVID-19 Ag Test proved effective diagnosis for SARS-CoV-2 infection.

Ordering Information



Cat#: RCOV-2050

Components (50 tests/Kit)	Amount	Storage
Test Cassette with Desiccant	50 EA	2°C~30°C
Reagent Solution	20 mL	2°C~30°C
Reagent Tube	50 EA	
Sterilized Nasal swab	50 EA	
Instruction for Use		

- **A caution for Ordering**

Ordering q'ty is not less than 16Kit (800tests)

- **Lead-Time**

The priority of supply is for Korea CDC and governmental sites, so lead-time will be fixed in an order confirmation but could be delayed depending on raw materials' shortage

- **Shipment & storage condition**

Shipping and storage at room temperature.