# Protocol for Viral RNA Extraction Using the Aurum Total RNA Mini Kit or the Aurum Total RNA 96 Kit



**Nucleic Acid Sample Preparation** 

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The Aurum Total RNA Mini and Aurum Total RNA 96 Kits have been tested for recovery and purification of viral RNA using SARS-CoV-2 Standard (catalog #COV019). Bio-Rad's new SARS-CoV-2 Droplet Digital PCR (ddPCR) Kit was used to verify the presence of the purified viral RNA.

#### **Product Information**

Catalog #	Description	Manual
7326820 📀	Aurum Total RNA Mini Kit, 50 preps	4110133 🎝
7326800 📀	Aurum Total RNA 96 Kit	4110131 👢

Kits can be ordered and manuals can be downloaded from bio-rad.com.

#### **Important Note about Aurum Vacuum Manifold**

The Aurum Vacuum Manifold (#7326470) is no longer available and no replacement product is available from Bio-Rad at this time. Customers are encouraged to validate other commercially available vacuum manifolds. Please contact your Bio-Rad sales representative for sample availability.

## **Protocol**

- Mix 100 μl of a specimen (for example, a nasopharyngeal swab) in transport media with 350 μl of lysis solution from the kit.
  Pipet up and down several times to mix thoroughly.
- 2. Add 350 µl of 70% ethanol (not supplied) to each tube or well, depending on the Aurum Kit used. Pipet up and down to mix thoroughly. Make sure that no bilayer is visible and that the viscosity is substantially reduced.
- 3. Proceed with the extraction protocol as indicated below:
  - a. Aurum Total RNA Mini Kit
    - Vacuum protocol (using a vacuum manifold): All Starting Sample Types (page 13)
    - Spin protocol: All Starting Sample Types (page 17)

## b. Aurum Total RNA 96 Kit

- Vacuum protocol: All Starting Cell Types (page 10)
- Spin protocol (using a plate centrifuge): All Starting Cell Types (page 13)

## **Related Products**

Catalog #	Description
12010176	Reliance One-Step Multiplex Supermix, 200 x 20 µl reactions
12010220	Reliance One-Step Multiplex Supermix, 1,000 x 20 µl reactions
12010221	Reliance One-Step Multiplex Supermix, 2,000 x 20 µl reactions
1725140	iTaq Universal Probes One-Step Kit, 100 x 20 μl reactions
1725141	iTaq Universal Probes One-Step Kit, 500 x 20 µl reactions

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