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Respiratory picornavirus genotyping conventional nested RT-PCR ("Wisdom VP42 assay") V.1

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ABSTRACT

This is my preferred, previously published [Ref 1], rhinovirus (RV) and enterovirus (EV) genotyping assay when seeking to identify the genotype of a respiratory picornavirus detected in a clinical sample extract. It is employed after use of a screening real-time RT-PCR has identified a respiratory picornavirus.

I have not confirmed that it can detect every single RV genotype but I do know that it detects *many* from each of the three RV species (*Human rhinovirus A*, *Human rhinovirus B* and *Human rhinovirus C*) as well as at least some *Human enterovirus* (EV) genotypes.

The assay picks up EVs due to the shared genetic similarities in the 5'UTR target region. EVs can be discriminated using subgenomic sequencing (see VP42 typing assay protocol), or simply described as 'respiratory EVs' since there is no specific-specific vaccine or treatment available anyway.

This is a robust primary subgenomic sequencing assay. It is more sensitive than any VP1 protocols because it targets more conserved primer target sites. It produces a more reliable typing result than does the 5'UTR region alone.

MATERIALS

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☒ SuperScript III One-Step RT-PCR System with Platinum Taq **Invitrogen - Thermo Fisher Catalog #12457-026**

☒ MyFi Mix **Bioline Catalog #BIO-25049**

STEP MATERIALS

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Oligonucleotide sequences...

1		Name	Sequence (5'-3')
	RT-PCR (Round 1)	HRV_HEV VP42 OS	CCGGCCCTGAATGYGGCTAA
		HRV_HEV VP42 OAS	ACATRTTYT SN CCAAA NAYD CCCAT
	PCR (Round 1)	HRV_HEV VP42 IS	ACCR ACTACTTTGGGTG TCCGTG

	HRV_HEV VP42 IAS	TCWGGHARYTTCCAMCACCANCC
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1. Expected amplicon sizes: Round 1: ~380 base pairs; Round 2:
2. The naming used here is my in-house adaptation (FYI: 01 - forward / sense; 02 - reverse / antisense; .x - version of the design of this particular named oligonucleotide). If you prefer to be true to the original publication, please see Ref 1

Reagents

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Reaction set-up

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ROUND 1 REACTION MIX

- Ideally, set up more reaction mixes than you'll need for both rounds at the same time
- Strips of 8x 0.2ml tubes are good for this use
- Freeze in a frost-free freezer at -20°C until needed

Reagent	Vol (μl) 1x	Final reaction concentration
Nuclease-free water	4.08	N/A
Reaction Mix (2X)	10.00	1X
HRV_HEV VP42 OS 200pmol/μl	0.06	600nM
HRV_HEV VP42 OAS 200pmol/μl	0.06	600nM
SuperScript® III RT/ Platinum® Taq Enzyme Mix	0.20	Unknown
Template	5.00	N/A

1. Dispense 15μL to each reaction tube
2. Total reaction volume will be 20μl

Reagent	Vol (μl) 1x	Final reaction concentration
Nuclease-free water	7.92	N/A
MyTaq Reaction Buffer (2X)	10.00	1X
HRV_HEV VP42 IS 200pmol/μl	0.038	380nM
HRV_HEV VP42 IAS 200pmol/μl	0.038	4.75mM
1st round amplicon	2.00	N/A

1. Dispense 18μL into each reaction tube
2. Total reaction volume will be 20μl

Amplification: ROUND 1, RT-PCR

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- This reaction has been run using a SimpliAmp (Applied Biosystems) thermal cycler
- Transfer 5μl of nucleic acid extract (extracted RNA, controls or NTC [nuclease-free water]) to defrosted reaction tubes and cycle

55°C	20 min	1X
94°C	2 min	1X
94°C	30 sec	
50°C	45 sec	4X
68°C	50 sec	
94°C	30 sec	
40°C	45 sec	25X
68°C	50 sec	

68°C	5 min	1X
15°C	∞	

Amplification: ROUND 2, PCR

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 - This reaction has been run using a SimpliAmp (Applied Biosystems) thermal cycler
 - Transfer 2µl of 1:100 pre-diluted Round 1 amplicon into defrosted 0.2ml reaction tubes and cycle

95°C	1 min	1X
95°C	30 sec	
50°C	45 sec	4X
72°C	50 sec	
95°C	30 sec	
40°C	45 sec	25X
72°C	50 sec	
72°C	5 min	1X
15°C	∞	

Amplicon visualisation

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 - electrophorese 2-5µl amplicon on a 1.5% agarose gel in 0.5X TBE buffer