AmplifyRP® XRT for Banana bunchy top virus (BBTV)

Rapid DNA Amplification Test Kit

Product No. XCS 24700

Intended Use:
AmplifyRP XRT for BBTV is a rapid DNA amplification and detection platform designed for field-based or laboratory testing of bananas for Banana bunchy top virus. This kit includes lyophilized reaction pellets containing the necessary reagents to amplify BBTV DNA at a single operating temperature (39 °C).

SPECIFICITY: Detects only BBTV. Does not cross-react with other banana pathogens.
SENSITIVITY: Approximately 10 copies.
PROBE LABEL: FAM (Agdia has optimized this kit for use with the AmpliFire manufactured by Douglas Scientific. Contact us for information on use with other instruments.)

Contents of Kit:
- Reaction pellets
- 100 µL Pellet Diluent Tubes
- AMP1 extraction buffer
- Sample extraction bags, mesh

Not Included but Required:
- AmpliFire (or equivalent) Isothermal Fluorometer
- Pipettes (10 µL & 25 µL)

Kit Storage:
All kit components should be stored refrigerated (2 - 8 °C).

Before use, allow kit to warm to room temperature (18 - 30 °C) for 20 to 30 minutes.

NOTE: AmplifyRP is a very sensitive molecular assay. Do not re-use disposable kit components. It is recommended that latex gloves be worn when taking samples and performing assay. If wearing latex gloves, change them between samples and test runs. Sanitize work area and non-disposable equipment between runs with bleach solution that has a concentration of at least 600 ppm (1:10 of household bleach solution).

Sample Preparation

1. Cut a section of mid-rib from a symptomatic leaf that is approximately 0.06 g in weight. Make certain you clean cutting instruments between samples with a 10 % bleach solution to avoid contamination.

2. Insert the sample between the mesh linings of the sample extraction bag. Add 600 µL of AMP1 extraction buffer to the tissue inside the bag. The sample can be extracted by rubbing the outside of the bag with a blunt object such as pen or marker on a hard surface. Once the sample has been thoroughly homogenized, it is ready to be tested.

*NOTE: This test was optimized using a 1:10 tissue to buffer ratio for sample extraction.

3. Remove one colored PD1 filled tube for each sample being tested. Individual tubes may be cut from the strip of tubes using scissors. Be sure to label the caps with your sample identity. Inspect the tube to ensure all liquid is at the bottom before use.

4. Transfer 10 µL of sample extract (or rehydrated positive control) into the tube containing PD1 diluent and mix well.

Your samples are now ready to be tested.

Prior to setting up reactions, turn on the AmpliFire (or an alternative isothermal instrument) so that it is ready to accept reactions. It should be pre-heated to the recommended 39 °C before inserting reactions and setup to run on the FAM channel.

ALTERNATIVE EXTRACTION (COMPONENTS NOT INCLUDED)

If preferred, 0.1 g of tissue may alternatively be placed inside a 1.5 mL centrifuge tube (sold separately). The tissue can be extracted inside the tube by grinding it with a pestle or golf tee, adding 1 mL of AMP1 extraction buffer, and mixing until the resulting solution is green / brown in color.
**TEST PROTOCOL**

1. Press the “Execute Reaction” button on the AmpliFire®. Then press “Scan Product Code”.

2. Scan the barcode located on the foil pouch containing the canisters of reaction pellets. The barcode scanner is located on the left side of the AmpliFire.

Once the AmpliFire has accepted the scan and displayed run method, click “Next”.

3. Follow on-screen prompts to name your reaction and individual sample IDs.

Sample IDs for individual wells are optional. If you prefer to use the default values, click “FINISH”.

4. Remove a canister of reaction pellets from the white foil pouch labeled with the barcode. Then remove a strip of reaction pellets from the desiccated container. While securing the strip of pellets in a 200 µL PCR tube rack, cut the number of reaction pellets from the strip that are intended for use.

Reaction Pellets are light sensitive. Immediately place remaining reaction pellets back into the desiccated tube and then insert the desiccant tube into the foil pouch to protect from light.

5. Transfer 25 µL from the colored tube containing your sample extract into the reaction pellet (clear tube).

Tightly recap the reaction tube. Mix well and centrifuge. If you cannot vortex the reaction, mix by gently flicking the side of the tube. If you do not have a centrifuge available, you may manually shake the liquid to the bottom of the reaction tube.

**IMPORTANT: DO NOT TRANSFER MORE THAN THE PRESCRIBED 25 µL DURING THIS STEP! IMMEDIATELY PROCEED TO THE NEXT STEP ONCE THE REACTION HAS BEEN REHYDRATED.**

6. Press “Start” on the AmpliFire. Immediately follow the prompts to add your reactions, press “OK”, and put the lid down.

7. After 4 minutes of incubation remove the reaction(s) from the AmpliFire. Quickly mix, spin, and reinsert the reaction(s) into the AmpliFire to continue monitoring results. Take care to ensure the tubes are in their original positions and orientations.

8. After 20 minutes of total run time the instrument will beep, indicating the test is complete. The test results will be visible next to the well designation on the screen, and should be interpreted as follows:

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(+) &= \text{Positive for BBTV} \\
(-) &= \text{BBTV not detected} \\
(!) &= \text{Invalid}
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Limitations

The following is a description of factors that could limit test performance or interfere with proper test results.

**Reaction Volume:** Care should be taken to ensure the volume used to rehydrate the reaction is within +/- 10% of the prescribed 25 µL mentioned in step 5 of the Test Protocol. Deviating outside this tolerance may result in test failure.

**Inhibition:** Root tissues may inhibit the test; we recommend testing stem, petiole, peduncle, or fruit tissues.

**Addition of sample extract to reaction pellet:** It is important to add only the prescribed amount of sample extract to the pellet diluent tubes. Adding too much extract may cause test failure.

**Storage:** Test results may be weak or the test may fail if the storage instructions are not followed properly. The lyophilized test components must be sealed with desiccant when not in use to prevent moisture degradation, which may affect test results. Do not store pellets at temperatures greater than 42 °C, even for short periods of time, as this may cause test failure.

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