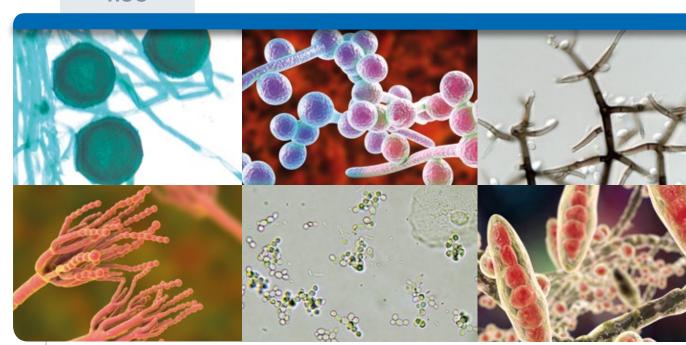


## **RUO**



## **Fungiplex® Universal**

Real-Time PCR

For research use only. Not for use in clinical diagnostic procedures.

## **Fungiplex Universal**

Fungiplex Universal is a real-time PCR test, which covers a broad range of fungal pathogens, providing rapid results with high sensitivity and specificity without isolation of the organism.

Invasive fungal diseases (IFDs) are a significant cause of morbidity and mortality in patients who are immunocompromised or undergoing intensive therapy. The diagnosis of IFDs is challenging as clinical manifestations are non-specific and standard methods of diagnosis are often slow or have low sensitivity. In recent years, the epidemiology of IFDs has changed; *Candida* species remain the most common causes of IFD, but the incidence of *Aspergillus* species and other filamentous fungi, such as *Zygomycetes*, *Fusarium* and *Scedosporium spp.*, has increased <sup>(1)</sup>. Identifying a fungal infection as early as possible is critical for the implementation of appropriate antifungal therapy; early diagnosis can improve treatment outcomes and potentially reduce healthcare costs <sup>(2)</sup>.

The Fungiplex Universal assay is designed to rapidly detect the presence of fungal DNA from blood samples, without blood culture. Fungiplex Universal detects a broad range of fungal species including those with low prevalence, and those that are not detected by diagnostic biomarkers, such as from the *Zygomycetes* or *Cryptococcus* genera.

Apophysomyces	Cunninghamella	Mucor	Saccharomyces
Aspergillus	Exophiala	Paecilomyces	Saksenaea
Candida	Fusarium	Penicillium	Scedosporium
Cladosporium	Histoplasma	Pneumocystis	Syncephalastrum
Coccidioides	Lichtheimia	Rhizomucor	Talaromyces
Cryptococcus	Microsporum	Rhizopus	Trichosporon

## **Fungiplex Universal:**

- can be used for research purposes to test blood samples (serum, plasma or whole blood) for the presence of fungal DNA
- has been designed to run under the same conditions as Bruker's Fungiplex range of real-time PCR assays
- is provided in a **user-friendly format** that is compatible with **existing laboratory equipment** and produces results from extracted DNA in **less than 2 hours**.
- <sup>1</sup> Ala-Houhala M et al. *Clinical use of fungal PCR from deep tissue samples in the diagnosis of invasive fungal disease: a retrospective observational study,* Clinical Microbiology and Infection 2017; 1-5, https://doi.org/10.1016/j.cmi.2017.08.017
- <sup>2</sup> Drgona L et al. *Clinical and economic burden of invasive fungal diseases in Europe: a focus on pre-emptive and empirical treatment of Aspergillus and Candida species*, Eur J Clin Microbiol Infect Dis 2014; **33**: 7-21.

Order Information: Part-No. 1858554 Fungiplex Universal Real-Time PCR RUO Kit

The kit provides all necessary reagents for 50 tests.

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