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Technical Bulletin

Compatible Swabs for the Sofia Influenza A+B and Sofia RSV Test Kits

When collecting nasal swab samples for use with the Sofia Influenza A+B FIA kit, use the foam-tipped Nasal Swab provided in the kit. Additional nasal swabs can be purchased with Quidel Cat. #20103.

When collecting nasopharyngeal swab samples for testing with the Sofia Influenza A+B FIA kit, use a nylon-flocked swab. The nylon-flocked swab that is included in the Sofia RSV FIA kit is acceptable for use with the Sofia Influenza A+B Test kit. The swab included in the Sofia RSV FIA kit is the Puritan polyester HydraFlock swab (Puritan Item #25-3316-H).

When collecting nasopharyngeal swab samples for use with the Sofia RSV FIA kit, please use either the swab included in the kit (Puritan HydraFlock, Item #25-3316-H) or the Copan Mini-tip Nylon-flocked swab (Quidel Cat. #20226/Copan Item #501CS01).

Both the Copan Mini-tip Nylon-flocked swab (Quidel Cat. #20226) and the Puritan HydraFlock swab (Puritan Item #25-3316-H) are compatible for use with both the Sofia Influenza A+B and Sofia RSV FIA kits.

Please contact Quidel Technical Support at 800.874.1517 (in the U.S.), 858.552.1100 (outside the U.S.) or technicalsupport@quidel.com if you have any questions regarding Sofia Influenza A+B FIA or Sofia RSV FIA, or any Quidel product. Our hours of operation are Monday through Friday, 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. Pacific Time.

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