Armored RNA Quant[®] Internal Process Control

Armored Controls have been utilized in IVD-approved assays for more than 20 years and continue to serve as an important tool in the rapidly evolving space of molecular diagnostics. For technologies ranging from qPCR to NGS, there is now a convenient and inexpensive way to test the utility of the Armored RNA® technology in your assay with the Armored RNA Quant® Internal Process Control.

This control is a non-specific, 1,000 base pair IVT RNA (alien/non-homologous) sequence, encapsulated in a coat of protein dimer armor which renders it resistant to degradation and therefore useful across a variety of applications. It is intended to be used as a spike-in to your sample (e.g., urine, blood, CSF, plasma/liquidbiopsy) to monitor the overall efficiency of your process. This robust and versatile control allows you to measure specificity and sensitivity of your assay during development or while running samples as an on-board process control.

Armored RNA Quant® GOLD STANDARD FOR MOLECULAR QUALITY CONTROL

REDUCED COMPLEXITY

- Available as a standalone catalog item
- Simple, spike-in solution to monitor extraction and process efficiency
- Compatible with new and existing RNA-based clinical assays
- Non-infectious, synthetic constructs simplify shipping and storage
- Incorporates a 1000bp, non-coding, non-specific alien sequence

OPTIMIZED WORKFLOW

- Deployable as extractable, exogenous internal positive control
- Non-competitive sequence will not interfere with amplification/detection of target(s)
- Degradation resistant in majority of biological matrices
- Multiple volume and manufacturing options available
- Available as cGMP or development lot in a range of fill volumes

QUALITY PERFORMANCE

- Concentration determined using National Institute of Standards (NIST) traceable standard
- Highly standardized, quality controlled manufacturing ensures reliability and consistency between lots
- Manufactured in a cell-free system





Armored RNA Quant® Internal Process Control Product Details

- Encapsulated as non-infectious, nuclease-resistant, pseudo-viral particle.
- NIST traceability enables usage in standardization and reproducibility assessments.
- Minimum concentration: 2 x 10⁶ copies/ml
- Buffer Composition: TSM III (10 mM Tris, 100 nM NaCl, 1 mM MgCl₂, 0.1% Gelatin, 0.3% Microcide III, pH 7.0)
- Storage at -15 to -30°C
 Total Volume: 0.5mL[†]

Armored RNA Quant® Internal Process Control Target Sequence (1,000 bp):

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ORDERING INFORMATION		
Product Name	Volume	Catalog Number
Armored RNA Quant® Internal Process Control*	0.5mL	49650

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