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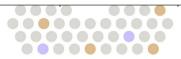
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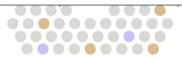
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## INTENDED USE

The BioFire® Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is a qualitative, multiplexed, nucleic acid-based test intended for use with BioFire® FilmArray® 2.0 and BioFire® FilmArray® Torch Systems. The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is for the simultaneous qualitative detection and identification of multiple bacterial, viral, and protozoan nucleic acids directly from EDTA whole blood collected from individuals with signs and/or symptoms of acute febrile illness or recent acute febrile illness and known or suspected exposure to the target pathogens described below.

#### Pathogens identified:

Chikungunya virus

Dengue virus (serotypes 1, 2, 3 and 4)

Leishmania spp. that cause visceral leishmaniasis (e.g., L. donovani and L. infantum)

Leptospira spp.

Plasmodium spp. (including species differentiation of Plasmodium falciparum and Plasmodium vivax/ovale)

West Nile virus

#### Pathogens presumptively identified:

Bacillus anthracis
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus
Ebolavirus spp.
Francisella tularensis
Lassa virus
Marburgvirus
Yellow fever virus
Yersinia pestis

Pathogens for which the panel provides presumptive identification results require additional testing and confirmation procedures in consultation with the appropriate public health authorities for whom reports may be necessary.

Positive results do not rule out co-infections with pathogens not included on the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel. Not all pathogens that cause acute febrile illness are detected by this test, and negative results do not preclude infection with the pathogens targeted by the device and should not be used as the sole basis for diagnosis, treatment, or other patient management decisions.

Evaluation for more common causes of acute febrile illness (e.g., infections of the upper and lower respiratory tract or gastroenteritis, as well as non-infectious causes) should be considered prior to evaluation with this panel. In the United States, patient travel history, exposure risk, and consultation of the CDC Yellow Book should be considered prior to use of the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel as some pathogens are more common in certain geographical locations. Results are meant to be used in conjunction with other clinical, epidemiologic, and laboratory data, in accordance with the guidelines provided by the relevant public health authorities.

The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is indicated for use in laboratories having appropriate biosafety equipment, personal protective equipment (PPE), containment facilities and personnel trained in the safe handling of diagnostic clinical specimens potentially containing any of the pathogens detected by this panel.



The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is indicated for use in laboratories that follow public health guidelines that address appropriate biosafety conditions, interpretation of test results, and coordination of findings with public health authorities.

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## SUMMARY AND EXPLANATION OF THE TEST

The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens (GF SP) Panel conducts sixteen tests for the simultaneous identification of bacterial, viral, and protozoan pathogens directly from whole blood specimens (**Table 1**). Results are available in about one hour.

Table 1. Pathogens Detected by the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel

Type	Disease	Pathogen	
	Anthrax	Bacillus anthracis 1	
Bacterial	Leptospirosis	Leptospira spp.	
Dacteriai	Plague	Yersinia pestis <sup>1</sup>	
	Tularemia	Francisella tularensis <sup>1</sup>	
	Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever	Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus <sup>1</sup>	
	Chikungunya fever	Chikungunya virus	
	Dengue fever	Dengue virus (serotypes 1, 2, 3 and 4)	
	Lassa fever	Lassa virus <sup>1</sup>	
Viral	Ebola virus disease	Ebolavirus spp. (Bundibugyo, Reston, Sudan, Taï Forest, Zaire) 1	
	Marburg virus disease	Marburgvirus <sup>1</sup>	
	West Nile fever	West Nile virus	
	Yellow fever	Yellow fever virus <sup>2</sup>	
		Plasmodium spp.	
	Malaria	Plasmodium falciparum	
Protozoan		Plasmodium vivax/ovale	
	Visceral Leishmaniasis	Leishmania spp. including L. donovani and L. infantum	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Select agents are subject to additional requirements. Definitive identification requires confirmatory testing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Definitive identification requires confirmatory testing.

## **Summary of Detected Organisms**

#### **Bacteria**

**Bacillus anthracis** is a gram-positive spore-forming bacterium and is the etiological agent of anthrax. Anthrax is endemic to the United States but is uncommon<sup>1</sup>. Outside the U.S. the disease occurs most commonly as a cutaneous infection among persons working closely with animals or animal products through the introduction of spores subcutaneously. Anthrax may also occur through inhalation or ingestion of spores.<sup>2,3</sup> B. anthracis has been a focus of biological warfare and is classified as a select agent per the Federal Select Agent Program.<sup>1</sup>

**Francisella tularensis** is an aerobic, gram-negative coccobacillus and is the causative agent of tularemia. Tularemia occurs throughout North America in addition to Europe, Asia, and the Middle East although it is relatively uncommon. The disease affects both animals and humans and is transmitted primarily through contact with infected animals or bites from ticks and flies.<sup>4</sup> Transmission may also occur through the inhalation of dust or aerosols containing the bacterium.<sup>5</sup> Use of *F. tularensis* as a bioweapon has historically been investigated and *F. tularensis* is designated as a select agent per the Federal Select Agent Program due to the potential threat to national security.<sup>1</sup>

**Leptospira spp.** (Family *Leptospiraceae*) are spirochete bacteria and the causative agents of leptospirosis. Leptospirosis is a zoonotic disease with worldwide distribution. *Leptospira* bacteria are transmitted through direct contact with urine or tissues from infected animals, or indirectly through contaminated soil or water. The exposure may occur through abrasions and cuts in the skin, or mucous membranes. <sup>6–8</sup> The genus is currently divided into three subgroups, however only one subgroup of the species is known to be pathogenic. The pathogenicity of the Group I members ranges from subclinical infections to severe disease and death. The Group I species most responsible for severe leptospirosis include *L. interrogans*, *L. kirschneri*, and *L. noguchii*.<sup>8</sup>

**Yersinia pestis** is an aerobic gram-negative bacterium which causes plague. The disease is spread to humans from rodents and other wild animals by flea bites, although contact with contaminated fluids or tissue are also modes of transmission. Within the United States *Y. pestis* is endemic to rural areas in all Western states and the range is expanding. However, human disease within the U.S. is uncommon. The disease manifests as three major clinical syndromes: bubonic plague, septicemic plague, and pneumonic plague. Of the three, bubonic plague is the most common and is characterized by swelling in lymph nodes (bubo). Historically there have been three major pandemics of plague, and small outbreaks of plague continue to occur. He Federal Select Agent Program.

#### **Viruses**

**Chikungunya virus** is a positive-sense single-stranded RNA virus (genus *Alphavirus*). The chikungunya virus is transmitted to humans by infected mosquitoes of the species *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*. The infection causes severe joint pain; chikungunya virus is closely related to several other alphaviruses that are known to cause arthritis including o'nyong-nyong virus and Mayaro virus.<sup>12,13</sup> Chikungunya infections are rarely lethal, but symptoms may be severe and disabling. Persons at risk for more severe disease include infants, and older adults, as well as persons with underlying medical conditions such as high blood pressure, diabetes, or heart disease.<sup>14</sup> Differential diagnosis of chikungunya disease can be difficult due to overlapping symptoms, transmission, and geographic distribution of other viruses such as dengue virus and Zika virus.<sup>14,15</sup>

**Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever (CCHF) virus** is a negative-stranded, enveloped RNA virus and is a member of the *Nairovirus* genus. CCHF is a zoonotic disease transmitted primarily by bites from ticks of the genus *Hyalomma*. Contact with blood and bodily fluids from infected animals or persons is also a mode of transmission. Wild animals and domestic livestock are the primary reservoirs of the virus which is endemic to the Middle East, southeastern Europe, and parts of Africa, and Asia. Infections are uncommon within the United States. CCHF is classified as a select agent per the Federal Select Agent Program.

**Dengue virus** is a positive-sense single-stranded RNA virus (genus *Flavivirus*). Four serotypes of dengue virus have been identified. The serotypes are both phylogenetically and antigenically distinct and acquired long-term immunity from one serotype does not extend to the other three. The viruses are transmitted through the mosquito species *Aedes aegypti* and *Aedes albopictus*. <sup>19,20</sup> While the majority of dengue infections are asymptomatic, the most severe cases may result in life-threatening dengue hemorrhagic fever (DHF), or dengue shock syndrome (DSS).<sup>21</sup> The DHF and DSS forms of the disease are most often associated with secondary infections of a different serotype, which is especially of concern in regions where all four serotypes are cocirculating. <sup>19,22</sup> Other endemic viruses in these regions such as chikungunya virus and Zika virus have similar symptoms and transmission which complicate differential diagnosis. <sup>15,21</sup>

**Ebolavirus** spp. are linear negative-sense, single-stranded RNA viruses of the family *Filoviridae* and are the etiological agent of Ebola virus disease. The *Ebolavirus* genus contains six species, and these species are named for the regions in which they were recognized: Bombali, Bundibugyo, Reston, Sudan, Taï Forest, and Zaire.<sup>23,24</sup> Of these species only Bundibugyo, Sudan, Taï Forest, and Zaire are known to cause disease in humans. The Zaire species has been responsible for the majority of Ebola virus disease outbreaks.<sup>23</sup> The Reston species causes disease in non-human primates and pigs.<sup>25</sup> Ebola virus disease is uncommon in the United States. The viruses spread through direct contact with blood, body fluids, or tissues from infected persons or animals. Transmission through sexual contact with an infected individual is also possible.<sup>25</sup> Due to the risk to national security ebolaviruses are designated as a select agent per the Federal Select Agent Program.<sup>1</sup>

**Lassa virus** causes Lassa fever, a zoonotic viral illness endemic to regions of West Africa and uncommon within the United States. <sup>26</sup> The virus is a bi-segmented single-stranded RNA virus of the *Arenaviridae* family. Transmission occurs primarily through direct or indirect contact with urine and feces from the rodent *Mastomys natalensis*, which is the primary reservoir of the virus. Transmission from an infected individual is also possible through direct contact with bodily fluids. <sup>27</sup> Lassa fever manifests as a broad range of symptoms, and approximately 80% of infected individuals have only mild symptoms. <sup>28</sup> Lassa virus is categorized as a select agent in the Federal Select Agent Program due to the potential threat to national security. <sup>1</sup>

**Marburgviruses** are linear, non-segmented, negative-sense, single-stranded RNA viruses that belong to the same family as Ebola virus (*Filoviridae*). Two lineages have been characterized to date: Marburg virus (MARV) and Ravn virus (RAVV). Viruses from both lineages cause Marburg virus disease and infections are rare.<sup>29</sup> The primary reservoir of *Marburgvirus* is believed to be the African fruit bat (*Rousettus aegyptiacus*), and the viruses are suspected to be endemic throughout most of sub-Saharan Africa.<sup>30</sup> The mechanism of transmission to humans is not currently known. However, person-to-person transmission occurs through direct contact with blood and body fluids. Sexual transmission is also possible.<sup>31</sup> *Marburgvirus* has been designated as a select agent in the Federal Select Agent Program due to the potential threat to national security.<sup>1</sup>

**West Nile virus** is a positive-sense, single-stranded RNA virus of the *Flavivirus* genus (*Flaviviridae*). The virus is widely distributed throughout the world.<sup>32</sup> The virus causes West Nile fever and is primarily transmitted to humans through mosquito bites. Up to 80% of West Nile virus infections are asymptomatic in humans.<sup>33,34</sup> Mild cases of West Nile fever are clinically indistinguishable from disease caused by other *Flaviviruses* such as dengue fever. In rare cases a more severe illness affecting the central nervous system may develop.<sup>34,35</sup> West Nile virus has been identified in multiple mosquito species. However, mosquitos of the *Culex* genus are believed to be responsible for most transmission. *Culex* species primarily feed on birds which are a natural reservoir of the virus.<sup>36</sup>

**Yellow fever virus** is a positive-sense, single-stranded RNA virus. The virus belongs to the *Flavivirus* genus (*Flaviviridae*) and is primarily transmitted through the mosquito of the *Aedes* or *Haemagogus* genuses.<sup>37</sup> The mosquito vectors facilitate both sylvatic transmission as well as urban human-to-human transmission.<sup>38</sup> Yellow fever disease is endemic to tropical regions of South America and sub-Saharan Africa and cases within the United States are typically travelers to these regions.<sup>39</sup> Most patients have no symptoms or only mild febrile symptoms. In a small number of patients more severe disease may develop including renal dysfunction and hemorrhage which is often fatal.<sup>40,41</sup>

#### **Protozoa**

**Leishmania** spp., a group of protozoan parasites belonging to the genus *Leishmania*, cause leishmaniasis. The parasites are transmitted through the bites of phlebotomine sand flies and are widely distributed throughout the world, although uncommon within the United States. <sup>42</sup> Leishmaniasis may manifest as either cutaneous leishmaniasis, which causes skin lesions, or visceral leishmaniasis, which affects the internal organs. <sup>42</sup> Visceral infections are often asymptomatic but can also cause severe disease which may be fatal. <sup>43,44</sup> Visceral leishmaniasis is primarily caused by infections of the species *L. donovani* and *L. infantum*. <sup>45</sup> However, *Leishmania* spp. associated with cutaneous leishmaniasis may also develop as visceral leishmaniasis in rare cases. <sup>46,47</sup> The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel detects all species within the *Leishmania* genus, including visceral and cutaneous species; however, reduced sensitivity was observed for *L. infantum*. Note that only visceral leishmaniasis is expected to be detected in whole blood specimens tested with the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel.

**Plasmodium** – Malaria in humans is primarily caused by five species of the *Plasmodium* genus (Family *Plasmodiiae*); *P. falciparum*, *P. knowlesi*, *P. malariae*, *P. ovale*, *P. vivax*. Transmission of these parasitic protozoans occurs through bites from female mosquitoes of the *Anopheles* genus. The five species are found in various geographical locations, and treatments vary depending on the species and whether there is known drug resistance in the area. Early identification of the *Plasmodium* species is important for selecting the appropriate treatment.<sup>48</sup> The most common malaria infections are caused by *P. falciparum* and *P. vivax*, whereas infections of *P. ovale* and *P. malariae* are less common.<sup>48,49</sup> *P. knowlesi* is emerging as a significant cause of zoonotic malaria in Southeast Asia. <sup>48,50,51</sup> Co-infection with multiple *Plasmodium* species is possible and should always be considered.<sup>48,50</sup> The GF SP Panel detects all *Plasmodium* species known to infect humans and provides species identification for *P. falciparum* and *P. vivax/ovale*.

**Plasmodium falciparum** is found in tropical and subtropical areas worldwide but predominates in Africa. The species is capable of rapid multiplication in the blood which can result in rapidly progressive severe illness. <sup>49,50</sup> In the most severe cases the infection can affect the brain and cause cerebral malaria which may be fatal. <sup>48,50</sup> In some areas *P. falciparum* has developed resistance to the malaria treatment drugs chloroquine and mefloquine. <sup>50,52</sup>

**Plasmodium vivax** is primarily found in Asia and Latin America, as well as some parts of Africa. Severe malaria is less common in *P. vivax* infections, but additional treatment for dormant hypnozoites in the liver is required to prevent relapse of disease. <sup>48–50,52</sup> *P. vivax* is generally considered sensitive to chloroquine, however in Papua New Guinea and Indonesia there is a high prevalence of chloroquine-resistance. <sup>50</sup>

**Plasmodium ovale** is predominantly found in West Africa and infection is less likely to result in severe cases of malaria as compared to *P. falciparum*. Similar to *P. vivax*, relapse of disease may occur unless infections are treated for dormant hypnozoites in the liver. No wide-spread resistance to chloroquine has been reported for *P. ovale*. On the liver of the

**Plasmodium malariae** is distributed worldwide in malaria regions, however its prevalence is lower than that of other species. Because of its slower life cycle and low level of infection, malaria symptoms may be less pronounced, and symptomatic patients should be evaluated for co-infection with other *Plasmodium* species. Untreated, *P. malariae* may result in chronic infections that last many years. 48–50 No widespread resistance to chloroquine has been observed in *P. malariae*. 50,52

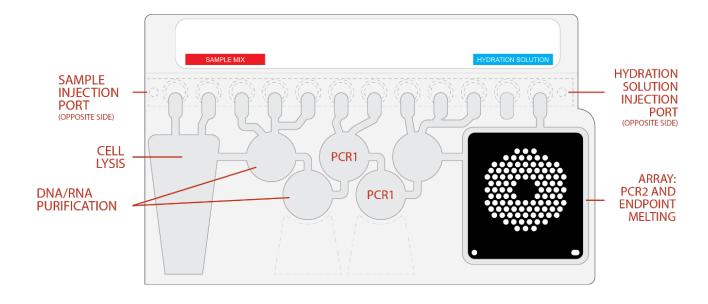
**Plasmodium knowlesi** is a zoonotic malaria parasite found throughout Southeast Asia, particularly in the states of Sarawak and Sabah in Malaysia. The primary host of *P. knowlesi* is macaques, and transmission of the parasite to humans is limited to persons exposed to mosquitoes that feed on both humans and macaques. As with *P. falciparum*, *P. knowlesi* reproduces rapidly in the blood and may result in rapidly progressive severe illness and/or death. No resistance to chloroquine has been documented in *P. knowlesi*. No resistance to chloroquine has been

## PRINCIPLE OF THE PROCEDURE

The BioFire GF SP Panel pouch is a closed-system disposable that stores all the necessary reagents for sample preparation, reverse transcription, polymerase chain reaction (PCR), and detection in order to isolate, amplify, and detect nucleic acid from multiple pathogens within a single whole blood specimen. After sample collection, the user injects BioFire® FilmArray® Hydration Solution and sample combined with BioFire® FilmArray® Sample Buffer into the pouch, places the pouch into a BioFire® FilmArray® System instrument module and starts a run. The run process takes about an hour. Additional details can be found in the appropriate BioFire® FilmArray® operator's manual.

## During a Run, the BioFire® FilmArray® System:

- Lyses the sample by agitation (bead beating) in addition to chemical lysis mediated by the Sample Buffer.
- Extracts and purifies all nucleic acids from the sample using magnetic bead technology.
- Performs nested multiplex PCR by:
  - First performing reverse transcription and a single, large volume, highly-multiplexed reaction (PCR1).
  - Then performing multiple singleplex second-stage PCR reactions (PCR2) to amplify sequences within the PCR1 products.
- Uses endpoint melting curve data to detect and generate a result for each target on the BioFire GF SP Panel.



## MATERIALS PROVIDED

Each BioFire GF SP Panel kit contains sufficient reagents to test 6 samples (Part No. DFA2-ASY-0018). Materials include:

- Individually packaged BioFire GF SP Panel pouches
- Single-use (1.0 mL) BioFire FilmArray Sample Buffer tubes
- Single-use pre-filled (1.5 mL) BioFire® FilmArray® Hydration Injection Vials (blue)
- Individually packaged BioFire® FilmArray® Sample Injection Vials (red)
- Individually packaged Transfer Pipettes
- Instructions available online at: <u>www.biofiredefense.com/gfspecialpathogens/</u>
  - o BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel Instructions for Use
  - o BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel Quick Guide

NOTE: Additional documentation is available online at www.biofiredefense.com

## MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

- BioFire FilmArray System including:
  - BioFire FilmArray 2.0 or BioFire FilmArray Torch Instrument System including accompanying platform-specific core software
  - o BioFire® FilmArray® Pouch Loading Station
  - BioFire® Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel Pouch Module Software is required to run the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel and is available by request at www.biofiredefense.com if not already installed on the instrument system.
- 10% bleach solution or a similar disinfectant

## ADDITIONAL AVAILABLE MATERIALS

- BIOFIRE® SHIELD™ Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel (Part No. DFA2-ASY-0019)
  - The BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel provides assayed positive and negative external controls for use with BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel.
  - See the BIOFIRE<sup>®</sup> SHIELD<sup>™</sup> Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel Instructions for Use for further information.

## WARNINGS AND PRECAUTIONS

## Precautions Related to Public Health

A health care professional, with training in principles and use of infectious disease diagnostics and reporting of results, should carefully interpret the results from the BioFire GF SP Panel in conjunction with a patient's signs and symptoms, and results from other diagnostic tests.

All pathogens detected on this panel except for *Leishmania* spp. must be reported to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC). Local, state, and federal regulations for notification of reportable disease are continually updated and include a number of pathogens for surveillance and outbreak investigations.<sup>23,24</sup> Laboratories are responsible for following their state and/or local regulations and should consult their local and/or state public health laboratories for isolate and/or clinical sample submission guidelines.



Diagnostic testing for viral hemorrhagic fevers should be performed only after consultation with public health officials including state or local health departments and the Centers for Disease Control (CDC).

The following pathogens detected by the BioFire GF SP Panel are select agents: *Bacillus anthracis*, Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus, *Ebolavirus* spp., *Francisella tularensis*, Lassa virus, *Marburgvirus*, and *Yersinia pestis*. Positive results for select agent pathogens are presumptive. If a Detected result is obtained for one or more of these pathogens, follow national public health requirements for reporting and follow-up testing. In the United States, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) should be notified immediately for further characterization and confirmation.

#### **General Precautions**

- 1. Always check the expiration date on the pouch. Do not use a pouch after its expiration date.
- 2. BioFire FilmArray pouches are stored under vacuum in individually wrapped canisters. To preserve the integrity of the pouch vacuum for proper operation, be sure that a BioFire FilmArray instrument/module will be available and operational before unwrapping any pouches for loading.
- 3. Bleach introduced in a sample may damage nucleic acids in the sample, which may lead to a false negative result.

## **Safety Precautions**

- 1. Wear appropriate Personal Protective Equipment (PPE), including (but not limited to) disposable clean powder-free gloves and lab coats. Protect skin, eyes, and mucus membranes. Change gloves often when handling reagents or samples.
- 2. Handle all samples and waste materials as if they are capable of transmitting infectious agents. Observe safety guidelines such as those outlined in:
  - CDC/NIH Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories<sup>53</sup>
  - CLSI Document M29 Protection of Laboratory Workers from Occupationally Acquired Infections 54
- 3. Follow your institution's safety procedures for handling biological samples.
- 4. Dispose of materials used in this test (including reagents, samples, and used buffer tubes) according to federal, state, and local regulations.
- 5. Sample Buffer is assigned the following classifications:
  - Acute toxicity (Category 4),
  - Serious eye damage (Category 1), and
  - Skin irritation (Category 2).

Please refer to the *BioFire Global Fever Panel Safety Data Sheet* (SDS) for more information.

6. Sample Buffer will form hazardous compounds and fumes when mixed with bleach or other disinfectants.

#### WARNING: To avoid generating chlorine gas, never add bleach to Sample Buffer or sample waste.

- 7. Bleach, a recommended disinfectant, is corrosive and may cause severe irritation or damage to eyes and skin. Vapor or mist may irritate the respiratory tract. Bleach is harmful if swallowed or inhaled.
  - Eye contact: Hold eye open and rinse with water for 15-20 minutes. Remove contact lenses after the first 5 minutes and continue rinsing eye. Seek medical attention.
  - Skin contact: Immediately flush skin with plenty of water for at least 15 minutes. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.
  - Ingestion: Do not induce vomiting. Drink a glassful of water. If irritation develops, seek medical attention.
  - Please refer to the appropriate Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for more information.



## **Laboratory Precautions**

#### 1. Preventing Sample Contamination

Due to the sensitive nature of the BioFire GF SP Panel, it is important to guard against contamination of the sample and work area by carefully following the testing process outlined in this instruction document, including these guidelines:

- To avoid potential contamination, handle specimens in a biosafety cabinet. If a biosafety cabinet is not available, a dead air box, a splash shield, or a face shield should be used when preparing specimens for testing.
- Do not handle specimens or pouches in a biosafety cabinet which is used for manipulating pathogen cultures.
- Clinical specimens should not be centrifuged before testing.
- Prior to processing samples, thoroughly clean both the work area and the BioFire FilmArray Pouch
  Loading Station using a suitable cleaner such as freshly prepared 10% bleach or a similar disinfectant.
  To avoid residue buildup and potential damage to the sample or interference from disinfectants, wipe
  disinfected surfaces with water.
- Samples and pouches should be handled and/or tested one-at-a-time. Always change gloves and clean the work area between each pouch and sample.
- Use clean gloves to remove materials from bulk packaging bags and reseal bulk-packaging bags when not in use.
- In the case of a select agent Detected result or a pouch leak, refer to Decontamination Procedures below.

#### 2. Preventing Amplicon Contamination

A common concern with PCR-based assays is false positive results caused by contamination of the work area with PCR amplicon. Because the BioFire GF SP Panel pouch is a closed system, the risk of amplicon contamination is low, provided that the recommended procedures are followed, and pouches remain intact after the test is completed. Adhere to the following guidelines, in addition to those above, to prevent amplicon contamination:

- Discard used pouches in a biohazard container immediately after the run has completed.
- Avoid excessive handling of pouches after test runs.
- Change gloves after handling a used pouch.
- Avoid exposing pouches or Sample Injection Vials to sharp edges or anything that might cause a
  puncture.

WARNING: If liquid is observed on the exterior of a pouch, the liquid and pouch should be immediately contained and discarded in a biohazard container. The instrument and workspace must be decontaminated. Refer to the Decontamination Procedures section in this document and the appropriate BioFire FilmArray operator's manual.

DO NOT PERFORM ADDITIONAL TESTING UNIL THE AREA HAS BEEN DECONTAMINATED

# REAGENT STORAGE, HANDLING, AND STABILITY

 Store the test kit, including reagent pouches and buffers, at room temperature (18-30°C). DO NOT REFRIGERATE.



- 2. Avoid storage of any materials near heating or cooling vents, or in direct sunlight.
- 3. All kit components should be stored and used together. Do not use components from one kit with those of another kit. Discard any extra components from the kit after all pouches have been consumed.
- 4. Do not remove pouches from their packaging until a sample is ready to be tested. Once the pouch packaging has been opened, the pouch should be loaded as soon as possible (within approximately 30 minutes).
- 5. Once a pouch has been loaded, the test run should be started as soon as possible (within approximately 60 minutes). Do not expose a loaded pouch to temperatures above 40°C (104°F) prior to testing.
- 6. Always check the kit expiration date and do not use reagents beyond the expiration date printed on the pouch or kit.

## **SAMPLE REQUIREMENTS**

The following table describes the recommended requirements for sample collection, preparation, and handling that will help ensure accurate test results.

Recommended Specimen Type	Human Whole Blood collected in EDTA tubes	
Minimum Sample Volume	~0.2 mL (200 µL) of whole blood	
	Specimens should be tested with the BioFire GF SP Panel as soon as possible.	
Specimen Transport and Storage	If storage is required, samples can be held:	
	<ul> <li>At room temperature for up to 1 day (15-30°C)</li> <li>Refrigerated for up to 7 days (2-8°C)</li> </ul>	

**NOTE:** Bleach can damage organisms/nucleic acids within the specimen, potentially causing false negative results. Contact between bleach and specimens during collection, disinfection, and testing procedures should be avoided.

## **PROCEDURE**

Use clean gloves and other Personal Protective Equipment (PPE) when handling pouches and samples. Only prepare one BioFire GF SP Panel pouch at a time and change gloves between samples and pouches. Once sample is added to the pouch, promptly transfer to the instrument to start the run. After the run is complete, discard the pouch in a biohazard container.

There is a risk of false positive results due to contamination of the specimen or testing area with organisms, their nucleic acid, or amplified product. Particular attention should be given to the laboratory precautions noted under the Warnings and Precautions section.

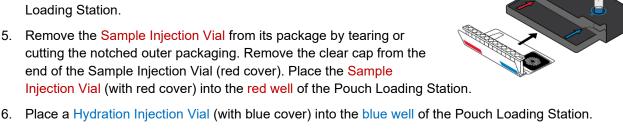
Refer to the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel Quick Guide or the appropriate BioFire FilmArray operator's manual for more details.

## Step 1: Prepare Pouch

- 1. Thoroughly clean the work area and the BioFire FilmArray Pouch Loading Station with freshly prepared 10% bleach (or suitable disinfectant) followed by a water rinse.
- 2. Remove the pouch from its vacuum-sealed package by tearing or cutting the notched outer packaging and opening the protective aluminum canister.

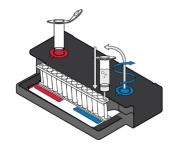
NOTE: The pouch may still be used even if the vacuum seal of the pouch is not intact. Attempt to hydrate the pouch using the steps in the Hydrate Pouch section. If hydration is successful, continue with the run. If hydration fails, discard the pouch and use a new pouch to test the sample.

- 3. Check the expiration date on the pouch. Do not use expired products.
- 4. Insert the pouch into the Pouch Loading Station, aligning the red and blue labels on the pouch with the red and blue arrows on the Pouch Loading Station.
- 5. Remove the Sample Injection Vial from its package by tearing or cutting the notched outer packaging. Remove the clear cap from the end of the Sample Injection Vial (red cover). Place the Sample



## Step 2: Hydrate Pouch

- 1. Unscrew the Hydration Injection Vial from the blue cover.
- 2. Remove the Hydration Injection Vial, leaving the blue cover in the Pouch Loading Station.
- 3. Insert the Hydration Injection Vial cannula tip into the pouch hydration port located directly below the blue arrow of the Pouch Loading Station.
- 4. Forcefully push down in a firm and quick motion to puncture seal until a faint "pop" is heard and there is an ease in resistance. Wait as the correct volume of Hydration Solution is pulled into the pouch by vacuum.



- If the Hydration Solution is not automatically drawn into the pouch, re-insert Hydration Injection Vial to ensure that the seal of the pouch hydration port was broken. If Hydration Solution is again not drawn into the pouch, discard the current pouch, retrieve a new pouch, and repeat from Step 1: Prepare Pouch.
- 5. Verify that the pouch has been hydrated.
  - Flip the barcode label down and check to see that fluid has entered the reagent wells (located at the base of the rigid plastic part of the pouch). Small air bubbles may be seen.
  - If the pouch fails to hydrate (dry reagents appear as white pellets), re-insert Hydration Injection Vial to ensure that the seal of the pouch hydration port was broken. If Hydration Solution is still not drawn into the pouch, discard the current pouch, retrieve a new pouch, and repeat from *Step 1: Prepare Pouch*.

# Step 3: Prepare Sample Mix

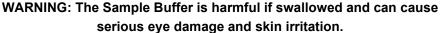
**NOTE:** Gently invert whole blood container until thoroughly mixed. Do not centrifuge specimens as this may affect sensitivity of the test. Do not use a specimen if it has clotted.

- 1. Use the Transfer Pipette provided in the test kit to draw the specimen to the second line (approximately 0.2 mL) of the Transfer Pipette.
- 2. Add the sample to the Sample Injection Vial.
- 3. Discard the Transfer Pipette in a biohazard waste container.

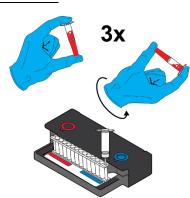
**NOTE:** DO NOT use the Transfer Pipette to mix the sample once it is loaded into the Sample Injection Vial.

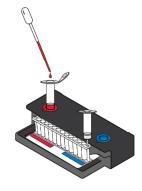
- 4. Add Sample Buffer to the Sample Injection Vial.
  - Hold the Sample Buffer tube with the tip facing up.
     NOTE: Avoid touching the tube tip during handling, as this may introduce contamination.
  - Firmly pinch at textured plastic tab on the side of the tube until the seal snaps.
  - Invert the tube over the Sample Injection Vial and dispense Sample Buffer using a slow, forceful squeeze followed by a second squeeze.

**NOTE:** Avoid squeezing the tube additional times. This will generate foaming, which should be avoided.



- 5. Tightly close the lid of the Sample Injection Vial.
- 6. Remove the Sample Injection Vial from the Pouch Loading Station and invert the vial at least **3 times** to mix.
- 7. Return the Sample Injection Vial to the red well of the Pouch Loading Station.







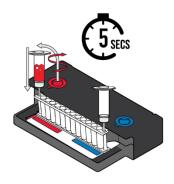
## Step 4: Load Sample Mix

1. Slowly twist to unscrew the Sample Injection Vial from the red cover and wait for **5 seconds** with the vial resting in the cover.

**NOTE**: Waiting **5** seconds decreases the risk of dripping and contamination from the sample.

- Lift the Sample Injection Vial, leaving the red cover in the well of the Pouch Loading Station, and insert the Sample Injection Vial cannula tip into the pouch sample port located directly below the red arrow of the Pouch Loading Station.
- 3. Forcefully push down in a firm and quick motion to puncture seal (a faint "pop" is heard) and sample is pulled into the pouch by vacuum.
- 4. Verify that the sample has been loaded.
  - Flip the barcode label down and check to see that fluid has entered the reagent well next to the pouch sample port.
  - If the pouch fails to pull sample from the Sample Injection Vial, the pouch should be discarded. Discard the Sample Injection Vial and the Hydration Injection Vial in a biohazard container. Retrieve a new pouch and repeat from Step 1: Prepare Pouch.
- 5. Screw the injection vials back into their plastic covers in the Pouch Loading Station before disposing of them in a biohazard container.
- 6. Record the Sample ID in the provided area on the pouch label (or affix a barcoded Sample ID) and remove the pouch from the Pouch Loading Station.

**NOTE:** Optional added operator protection: Before removal from biosafety cabinet, run a bleach wipe, a paper towel with 10% bleach (one part bleach to nine parts water), across the top of the pouch from the pouch hydration port to the pouch sample port, and follow with a water wipe. This reduces the potential for contact with small amounts of sample mixed with Sample Buffer that may be retained at the pouch sample port.



## Step 5: Run Pouch

The BioFire FilmArray Software includes step-by-step on-screen instructions that guide the operator through performing a run. Brief instructions for BioFire FilmArray 2.0 and BioFire FilmArray Torch Systems are given below. Refer to the appropriate BioFire FilmArray operator's manual for more detailed instructions.

#### BioFire FilmArray 2.0

- 1. Ensure that the BioFire FilmArray 2.0 System (instrument and computer) is powered on and the software is launched.
- 2. Follow on-screen instructions and procedures described in the appropriate BioFire FilmArray 2.0 operator's manual to place the pouch in an instrument and enter pouch, sample, and operator information.
- 3. Pouch identification (Lot Number and Serial Number) and Pouch Type information will be automatically entered when the barcode is scanned. If it is not possible to scan the barcode, the pouch Lot Number, Serial Number and Pouch Type can be manually entered from the information provided on the pouch label into the appropriate fields. To reduce data entry errors, it is strongly recommended that the pouch information be entered by scanning the barcode.
  - **NOTE:** When selecting a Pouch Type manually, ensure that the Pouch Type matches the label on the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel pouch.
- 4. Enter the Sample ID. The Sample ID can be entered manually or scanned in by using the barcode scanner when a barcoded Sample ID is used.
- 5. Select and confirm the appropriate Protocol from the Select Protocol dialogue box. The BioFire GF SP Panel will display three Protocols in the dialogue box: GF Blood, Positive External Control, and Negative External Control. The GF Blood protocol should be used for clinical specimen testing.
  - **NOTE:** Two additional protocols are provided for use with the BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel. It is necessary to select the appropriate protocol prior to running the test. The Positive External Control and the Negative External Control protocols are only for use with the BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel and should not be used to test clinical specimens or other types of controls. Refer to the BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire GF SP Panel Instructions for Use for procedures to prepare and run BIOFIRE SHIELD Controls.
- 6. Enter a username and password in the Name and Password fields.
  - NOTE: The font color of the username is red until the username is recognized by the software.
- 7. Review the entered run information on the screen. If correct, select Start Run. Once the run has started, the screen displays a list of the steps being performed by the instrument and the number of minutes remaining in the run.
  - **NOTE:** The bead-beater apparatus makes an audible, high-pitched noise during the first minute of operation.
- 8. When the run is finished, follow the on-screen instructions to remove the pouch, then immediately discard it in a biohazard waste container.
- 9. The run file is automatically saved in the BioFire FilmArray Software database, and the test report can be viewed, printed, and/or saved as a PDF file.
- 10. To view run data, double click on a run file, select the interpretation tab and click on an analyte for a specific assay.



#### **BioFire FilmArray Torch**

- 1. Ensure that the BioFire FilmArray Torch system is powered on.
- 2. Select an available module on the touch screen or scan the barcode on the pouch using the barcode scanner.
- 3. Pouch identification (Lot Number and Serial Number) and Pouch Type information will be automatically entered when the barcode is scanned. If it is not possible to scan the barcode, the pouch Lot Number, Serial Number, and Pouch Type can be manually entered from the information provided on the pouch label into the appropriate fields. To reduce data entry errors, it is strongly recommended that the pouch information be entered by scanning the barcode.

**NOTE**: When selecting a Pouch Type manually, ensure that the Pouch Type matches the label on the BioFire GF SP Panel pouch.

- 4. Enter the Sample ID. The Sample ID can be entered manually or scanned in by using the barcode scanner when a barcoded Sample ID is used.
- 5. Insert the pouch into the available Module (instrument).
  - Ensure that the pouch fitment label is lying flat on top of pouch and not folded over. As the pouch is inserted, the module will grab onto the pouch and pull it into the chamber.
- 6. Select and confirm the appropriate protocol. The BioFire GF SP Panel has three Protocols available: GF Blood, Positive External Control, and Negative External Control. The GF Blood protocol should be used for clinical specimen testing.

**NOTE:** Two additional protocols are provided for use with the BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel. It is necessary to select the appropriate protocol prior to running the test. The Positive External Control and the Negative External Control protocols are only for use with the BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel and should not be used to test clinical specimens or other types of controls. Refer to the BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire GF SP Panel Instructions for Use for procedures to prepare and run BIOFIRE SHIELD Controls.

7. Enter operator username and password, then select Next.

NOTE: The font color of the username is red until the username is recognized by the software.

8. Review the entered run information on the screen. If correct, select Start Run. Once the run has started, the screen displays a list of the steps being performed by the module and the number of minutes remaining in the run.

**NOTE**: The bead-beater apparatus makes an audible, high-pitched noise during the first minute of operation.

- 9. At the end of the run, remove the partially ejected pouch, then immediately discard it in a biohazard waste container.
- 10. The run file is automatically saved in the FilmArray Software database, and the test report can be viewed, printed, and/or saved as a PDF file.



## QUALITY CONTROL

#### **Process Controls**

Two process controls are included in each pouch:

#### 1. RNA Process Control

The RNA Process Control assay targets an RNA transcript from the yeast *Schizosaccharomyces pombe*. The yeast is present in the pouch in a freeze-dried form and becomes rehydrated when sample is loaded. The control material is carried through all stages of the test process, including lysis, nucleic acid purification, reverse transcription, PCR1, dilution, PCR2, and DNA melting. A positive control result indicates that all steps carried out in the BioFire GF SP Panel pouch were successful.

#### 2. PCR2 Control

The PCR2 Control assay detects a DNA target that is dried into wells of the array along with the corresponding primers. A positive control result indicates that PCR2 was successful.

Both control assays must be positive for the test run to pass. If controls fail the results are invalid and the sample should be retested using a new pouch.

## **Monitoring Test System Performance**

The BioFire FilmArray Software will automatically fail the run if the melting temperature (Tm) for either the RNA Process Control or the PCR2 Control is outside of an acceptable range (80.0-84.0°C for the RNA Process Control and 74.0-78.0°C for the PCR2 Control). If required by local, state, or accrediting organization quality control requirements, users can monitor the system by trending Tm values for the control assays and maintaining records according to standard laboratory quality control practices. <sup>55,56</sup> Refer to the appropriate BioFire FilmArray operator's manual for instructions on obtaining control assay Tm values.

#### External Controls

Good laboratory practice recommends running positive and negative external controls regularly in accordance with laboratory protocols and the appropriate accrediting organization requirements, as applicable.

Evaluation of external controls is recommended prior to using a new shipment or new lot of BioFire GF SP Panel Kits. Evaluation of external controls is also recommended when there is a new operator and following replacement/repair of a BioFire FilmArray System. The BioFire GF SP Panel should not be used in patient testing if the external controls do not produce the expected results. It is the responsibility of each laboratory to determine the frequency of external control testing with the BioFire GF SP Panel as part of the laboratory's Quality Control program.

Molecular grade water or saline can be used as a negative external control. Previously characterized positive samples or negative samples spiked with well-characterized organisms may also be used as positive external controls. The GF Blood protocol must be used when running external controls of these types.

An assayed external quality control kit is also available from BioFire Defense to monitor the performance of in vitro laboratory nucleic acid testing procedures for the qualitative detection of the BioFire GF SP Panel

performed on BioFire FilmArray Systems. The BIOFIRE® SHIELD™ Control Kit for the BioFire GF SP Panel is composed of two controls, Positive External Control, and Negative External Control. The Positive External Control is a surrogate assayed quality control material comprised of dried synthetic DNA in buffer and stabilizer. Both the Positive and Negative External Controls are supplied as a FilmArray Control Injection Vial that is used directly with the BioFire GF SP Panel.

The BIOFIRE SHIELD Control Kit for the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is available for purchase directly from BioFire Defense. Contact BioFire Defense Customer Support for more information.

BIOFIRE® SHIELD™ Control Kit for the BioFire® Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel Part Number: DFA2-ASY-0019

## INTERPRETATION OF RESULTS

# **Assay Interpretation**

When PCR2 is complete, the BioFire FilmArray instrument performs a DNA melting analysis on the PCR products and measures the fluorescence signal generated in each PCR2 array well (for more information see the appropriate BioFire FilmArray operator's manual). The BioFire FilmArray Software then performs several analyses and assigns a final assay result for every well. The steps in the analyses are described below.

Analysis of Melt Curves. The BioFire FilmArray Software evaluates the DNA melt curve for each well of the PCR2 array to determine if a PCR product was present in that well. If the melt profile indicates the presence of a PCR product, then the analysis software calculates the melting temperature (Tm) of the curve and compares it against the expected Tm range for the assay in that well. If the software determines that the Tm of the curve is within the assay Tm range, the melt curve is called positive. If the software determines that the Tm of the curve is not in the appropriate Tm range, the melt curve is called negative.

**Analysis of Replicates.** Once positive melt curves have been identified, the software evaluates the replicates for each assay to determine the assay result. For an assay to be called positive, at least two associated melt curves must be called positive, <u>and</u> both Tm values must be similar. Assays that do not meet these criteria are called negative.

# **Organism Interpretation**

The BioFire GF SP Panel automatically interprets and returns results (Detected or Not Detected) for each pathogen. The interpretation is based on the results of one or more assays for each pathogen as shown in **Table 2**. In cases where either or both control assays have failed all analyte results are reported as Invalid (**Figure 1**).



Table 2. Assay Number and Interpretation Rules for the BioFire GF SP Panel

Pathogen	No. of Assays	Assay Interpretation Rules	
	BACTERIA		
Bacillus anthracis	1	Positive = Detected	
Francisella tularensis	2	Any Positive = Detected	
Leptospira spp.	1	Positive = Detected	
Yersinia pestis	2	Any Positive = Detected	
	VIRUSES		
Chikungunya virus	2	Any Positive = Detected	
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	2	Any Positive = Detected	
Dengue virus (serotypes 1, 2, 3, and 4)	5ª	Any Positive = Detected	
<i>Ebolavirus</i> spp. (Bundibugyo, Reston, Sudan, Taï Forest, and Zaire)	3 b	Any Positive = Detected	
Lassa virus	2	Any Positive = Detected	
Marburgvirus	1	Positive = Detected	
West Nile virus	2	Any Positive = Detected	
Yellow fever virus	1	Positive = Detected	
PROTOZOAN			
Leishmania spp.	1	Positive = Detected	
Plasmodium spp.	1	Positive = Detected	
Plasmodium falciparum	1	Positive = Detected	
Plasmodium ovale/ Plasmodium vivax	1 °	Positive = Detected	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The BioFire GF SP Panel contains multiple assays for the detection of the four dengue virus serotypes. See dengue virus reporting section below for more information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> The BioFire GF SP Panel contains three multiplexed assays for the detection of all five known *Ebolavirus* spp. which is reported with a single interpretation call. See *Ebolavirus* spp. reporting section below for more information.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> The BioFire GF SP Panel contains one multiplexed assay for the detection of both *Plasmodium vivax* and *Plasmodium ovale*, which is reported with a single interpretation call. See *Plasmodium* spp. reporting section below for more information.



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	Run Information		
Sample ID	JW43822	Run Date	07 Apr 2023 12:00 AM
Protocol	GF Blood v3.1	Serial No.	01234567
Pouch Type	GF SP Panel v1.0	Lot No.	012345
Internal Controls	Failed	Operator	Anonymous
Run Status	Completed	Instrument	FA0001
Invalid Retest the Sample ONCE (Refer to Instructions For Use)			
	Result S	ummary	
	Detected		Not Detected
Invalid			Invalid

Figure 1. BioFire GF SP Panel Report with failed Internal Controls and Invalid results

#### **Bacteria Reporting**

#### Bacillus anthracis

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains one assay for the detection of *Bacillus anthracis*. A positive *Bacillus anthracis* assay will result in a *Bacillus anthracis* Detected test result.

#### Francisella tularensis

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains two assays for the detection of *Francisella tularensis*. One or more positive *Francisella tularensis* assays will result in a Detected call for *Francisella tularensis*.

#### Leptospira spp.

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains a single pan assay for genus-level detection of all *Leptospira* Group 1 species. A positive Leptospira pan assay will result in a Detected call for *Leptospira* spp.

#### Yersinia pestis

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains two assays for the detection of *Yersinia pestis*. A positive result for either assay will result in a Detected test result for *Yersinia pestis*.

#### **Virus Reporting**



#### Chikungunya virus

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains two assays for species-level detection of all chikungunya virus strains, and one or more positive chikungunya virus assay(s) will result in a Detected call for chikungunya virus.

#### Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus

The BioFire GF SP Panel contain two assays for the detection of the Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus. A positive call for either or both assays will result in a Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus Detected test result.

#### Dengue virus

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains five assays for the detection of the four dengue virus serotypes. Any positive assay call will result in a Detected call for dengue virus.

#### Ebolavirus spp.

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains three *Ebolavirus* spp. assays designed to detect five *Ebolavirus* spp. (*Bundibugyo ebolavirus*, *Reston ebolavirus*, *Sudan ebolavirus*, *Taï Forest ebolavirus*, and *Sudan ebolavirus*). Any positive Ebolavirus assay will result in an *Ebolavirus* Detected test result. The BioFire GF SP Panel does **not** detect *Bombali ebolavirus*; this species is not known to infect humans.

#### Lassa virus

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains two assays for the detection of Lassa virus. A positive call for either or both assays will result in a Lassa virus Detected result.

#### Marburgvirus

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains one assay for the detection of Marburgviruses. A positive Marburgvirus assay will result in a *Marburgvirus* Detected test result.

#### Yellow fever virus

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains a single assay for detection of the yellow fever virus. A positive result for the assay will result in a Detected call for yellow fever virus.



#### **Protozoa Reporting**

#### Leishmania spp.

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains a single assay for the genus-level detection of *Leishmania spp*. that cause visceral leishmaniasis (e.g., *L. donovani* and *L. infantum*). A positive Leishmania assay will result in a Detected *Leishmania* spp. test result.

#### Plasmodium spp.

The BioFire GF SP Panel contains three *Plasmodium* assays, one genus-level assay and two species-level assays. The genus-level assay (Plasmodium spp. assay) detects *Plasmodium* species including the five *Plasmodium* species known to infect humans (*P. falciparum*, *P. vivax*, *P. ovale*, *P. malariae*, and *P. knowlesi*). In addition, one species-level assay detects *Plasmodium falciparum*, and a combined species-level assay detects *Plasmodium vivax* and *Plasmodium ovale*. **Table 3** shows the reporting scheme for the three *Plasmodium* assays.

This test cannot differentiate co-infections other than *Plasmodium falciparum* and *Plasmodium vivax/ovale*. Infection with additional *Plasmodium* species is always possible and should be considered.

WARNING: Before consideration of treatment for the hypnozoite liver form, confirm the presence of a *P. vivax* or *P. ovale* infection.



Table 3. Plasmodium Report Scheme

Assay Detection Outcomes		tcomes			
Plasmodium spp.	Plasmodium falciparum	Plasmodium vivax/ovale	Result Banner	Result Summary <sup>1</sup>	
Negative	Negative	Negative	N/A - No <i>Plasmodium</i> species detected in the sample (no results shown in Report).	Plasmodium spp. Not Detected Plasmodium falciparum Not Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Not Detected	
Positive	Negative	Negative	Plasmodium Detected  Note: See Instructions for Use for additional information on Plasmodium results.  Report the Results.	Plasmodium spp. Detected Plasmodium falciparum Not Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Not Detected	
Positive	Positive	Negative	Plasmodium falciparum Detected  Note: See Instructions for Use for additional information on Plasmodium results.  Report the Results.	Plasmodium spp. Detected Plasmodium falciparum Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Not Detected	
Positive	Negative	Positive	Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected  Note: See Instructions for Use for additional information on Plasmodium results.  Report the Results.	Plasmodium spp. Detected Plasmodium falciparum Not Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected	
Positive	Positive	Positive	Plasmodium falciparum and Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected  Note: See Instructions for Use for additional information on Plasmodium results.  Note: The detection of 2 or more organisms is uncommon.  Retest the Sample ONCE then Report the Results.	Plasmodium spp. Detected Plasmodium falciparum Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected	
Negative	Positive	Positive	Plasmodium falciparum and Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected  Note: See Instructions for Use for additional information on Plasmodium results.  Note: The detection of 2 or more organisms is uncommon.  Retest the Sample ONCE then Report the Results.	Plasmodium spp. Not Detected Plasmodium falciparum Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected	
Negative	Positive	Negative	Plasmodium falciparum Detected  Note: See Instructions for Use for additional information on Plasmodium results.  Report the Results.	Plasmodium spp. Not Detected Plasmodium falciparum Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Not Detected	
Negative	Negative	Positive	Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected  Note: See Instructions for Use for additional information on Plasmodium results.  Report the Results.	Plasmodium spp. Not Detected Plasmodium falciparum Not Detected Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Bolded results are displayed in the Detected column of the Result Summary. Non-bolded results are shown in the Not Detected column of the Result Summary.



## BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel Test Report

The BioFire GF SP Panel test report is automatically displayed upon completion of a run and contains two sections: Run Information and Result Summary (**Figure 2**). The test report can be saved as a PDF file or printed.

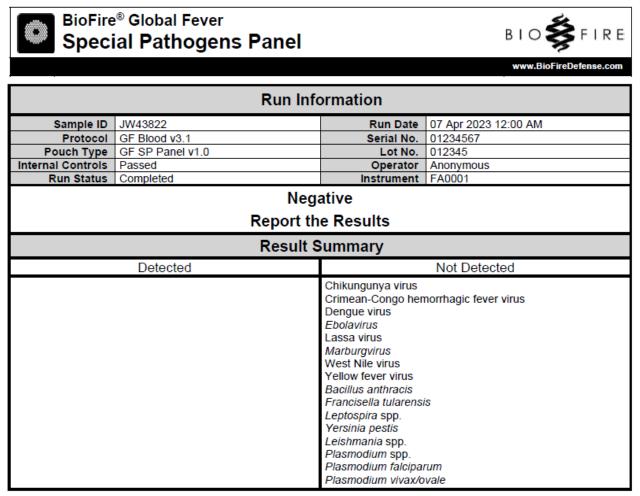


Figure 2. Example BioFire GF SP Panel Run Report

The **Run Information** section of the test report is displayed at the top of the page. It provides information about the run including: Sample ID, Protocol, pouch information (including Pouch Type, Serial Number, and Lot Number), Run Date, Run Status (Completed, Aborted, Instrument Error, or Software Error), the identity of the operator who performed the test (Operator), and the instrument used to perform the test. Internal Control results are reported as Passed, Failed, or Invalid. The section also contains a Result Banner that lists the Detected results and required actions. If there are no Detected results, the Result Banner shown is Negative.

**Table 4** provides additional information for each of the possible Internal Controls field results. See **Table 5** and **Table 6** for complete results interpretation and required actions.

Table 4. Interpretation of Internal Controls Field on the BioFire GF SP Panel Test Report

Internal Controls Result	Explanation	Action Required
Passed	The run was successfully completed  AND  Both pouch controls (RNA Process Control and PCR2 Control) were successful.	Follow any instructions provided in the Result Banner.
Failed	The run was successfully completed  BUT  At least one of the pouch controls (RNA Process Control and/or PCR2 Control) failed.	Repeat the test using a new pouch. If the error persists, call BioFire Defense Technical Support for further instructions.
Invalid  The controls are invalid because the run did not complete.  (This typically indicates a software or hardware error.)		Note any error codes displayed by the software during the run. Refer to the appropriate BioFire FilmArray operator's manual or call BioFire Defense Technical Support for further instruction.  If the error can be resolved, repeat the test once using a new pouch.

The **Result Summary** section of the test report lists each target tested as either Detected or Not Detected. Within the Results Summary section, targets that are detected are listed in the left-hand column, and targets that are not detected are listed in the right-hand column. For runs with failed internal controls or other run errors, the Result Summary columns display Invalid. See the Results Explanation section below for detailed information about interpretation of test results and appropriate follow-up for Invalid results.

Once a run has completed, it is possible to edit the Sample ID. If this information has been changed, an additional section called **Change Summary** will be added to the test report. This Change Summary section lists the field that was changed, the original entry, the revised entry, the operator that made the change and the date that the change was made (**Figure 3**). Sample ID is the only field of the report that can be changed.

Change Summary				
Field	Changed To	Changed From	Operator	Date
<sup>1</sup> Sample ID	New Example Id	Old Example Id	Anonymous	24 Mar 2021

Figure 3. Change Summary Field

# **Results Explanation and Required Actions**

The **Result Summary** section provides a complete list of all test results. Possible results for each pathogen include Detected, Not Detected, and Invalid. **Table 5** provides explanations for each interpretation and any follow-up necessary to obtain a final result. **Table 6** shows test Result Banner text in cases where more than one pathogen is detected and/or in the case of the detection of a select agent.

Table 5. Interpretation of Results on the BioFire GF SP Panel Test Report

Results	Explanation	Action Required
	The run was successfully completed	
	AND	
Not Detected	The pouch controls were successful (Pass)	Results are valid. Follow any instructions provided in the Result Banner.
	AND	·
	The assay(s) for the pathogen were NEGATIVE	
	The run was successfully completed	Results are valid. Follow any instructions provided in the Result Banner.
	AND	For select agents, detection is
Detected	The pouch internal controls were successful (Pass)	presumptive. Retest once and report following national public health
	AND	requirements for reporting and follow-up testing requirements; in the US, the CDC should be notified for further
	The assay(s) for the pathogen were POSITIVE	characterization and confirmation.
		All results are invalid because the run failed. Note any error codes displayed and
	Run completed and pouch internal controls failed	refer to the appropriate BioFire FilmArray operator's manual for more information. If
Invalid	OR	the error persists, contact BioFire Defense Technical Support for further instruction.
	Run did not complete	reconnear support for further instruction.
		Retest the sample.

Table 6. Result Banners for Multiple Analyte and/or Select Agent Detections

Detection Results	Result Banner Text
Two pathogens Detected	<pathogen 1=""> and <pathogen 2=""> Detected Note: The detection of 2 or more organisms is uncommon Retest the Sample ONCE then Report the Results</pathogen></pathogen>
Three or more pathogens Detected	Multiple Organisms Detected Note: The detection of 2 or more organisms is uncommon  Retest the Sample ONCE then Report the Results
One or more of the following pathogens are detected:  • Bacillus anthracis  • Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus  • Ebolavirus spp.  • Francisella tularensis  • Lassa virus  • Marburgvirus  • Yersinia pestis	<b>Note:</b> All positive select agent results are presumptive. Presumptive results must not be reported to the ordering physician, but require additional testing and confirmation in consultation with appropriate public health authorities; In the United States, the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention (CDC) should be notified for further characterization and confirmation.

## **DECONTAMINATION PROCEDURES**

The decontamination and cleaning procedures listed are intended to limit spread of contaminants and mitigate the risk of false positive results in subsequent runs. Decontamination is necessary if a select agent pathogen is Detected, the pouch is loaded with a suspected positive select agent specimen, or if the pouch leaks or is punctured.

If a pouch leak or breakage occurs, change gloves and other potentially contaminated personal protective equipment (PPE). Change gloves often during the decontamination process, especially during the first steps of decontamination and before touching any clean surface. All PPE should be disposed of after decontamination.

CAUTION: It is important that contamination from leaking and/or punctured pouches be contained and cleaned immediately. Pouches that break after PCR contain amplified nucleic acid material that can contaminate future pouch runs. This material, although noninfectious, is easily spread if precautions are not taken. Very small (molecular) quantities can be amplified by PCR in future runs, which can result in false positives. Treat all broken pouches as capable of contaminating the work area.

**BIOLOGICAL RISKS:** If the pouch contains potentially infectious material, the risk of biohazard contamination exists in addition to sample contamination.

## **Cleaning Materials**

This list provides items that are necessary in a laboratory to keep contamination to a minimum.

- 10% bleach solution in a squeeze or spray bottle (1 part bleach to 9 parts water)
- Distilled, de-ionized, sterile, or molecular grade water in a squeeze or spray bottle
- DNAZap™ or equivalent DNA degrading system
- Paper towels
- · Bleach wipes

## **Pouch Loading Station Decontamination**

Routine cleaning of the Pouch Loading Station includes a 10% bleach wipe followed by two water wipes before each new pouch is loaded. In the event of a sample spill, or a pouch leak, perform the following decontamination procedures:

- 1. Put on clean PPE, such as lab coat, gloves, and eye protection.
- 2. Fill a sink or bin with water and add bleach to create a 10% bleach solution.
- 3. Submerge the Pouch Loading Station until completely covered with bleach solution. Soak for 15 minutes.
- 4. Remove the Pouch Loading Station from sink or bin. Replace bleach solution with distilled water.
- 5. Rinse the Pouch Loading Station by completely submerging in water two additional times.

Contact BioFire Defense Technical Support to obtain a replacement Pouch Loading Station, if necessary.

# Decontamination Related to Pouch Leakage or Detected/Suspected Select Agent Specimen

Change gloves and other potentially contaminated personal protective equipment (PPE) prior to initiating decontamination. Change gloves often during the decontamination process, especially during the first steps of decontamination and before touching any clean surface. All PPE should be disposed of after decontamination.

If a pouch was loaded with a Detected select agent pathogen, a suspected positive select agent specimen, or if the pouch leaks, take the following precautions to avoid contamination:

- 1. Put on clean PPE as appropriate.
- 2. Ensure no one uses the instrument or potentially contaminated areas until the decontamination is complete.
- 3. Decontaminate the instrument and work area and dispose of the pouch using the following steps:
  - i. Dispose of potentially contaminated gloves and put on clean gloves.
  - ii. Dispose of the potentially contaminated lab coat and put on a clean lab coat.
  - iii. Discard the pouch in a biohazard container.
  - iv. Change gloves.
  - v. Clean the instrument and affected work areas per the guidelines below.

CAUTION: Use only 10% bleach solution, distilled water, and/or DNAZap™ to decontaminate the instrument and Pouch Loading Station.



# **BioFire FilmArray 2.0 Instrument Decontamination**

#### **Pouch Loading Chamber Decontamination**

- 1. Put on clean PPE as appropriate.
- Remove pouch from instrument and discard in biohazard waste container. Change gloves and any contaminated PPE.
- 3. Wet a paper towel with 10% bleach (one part bleach to nine parts water) and wipe the inner chamber and under the lid. Let it stand for at least 3 minutes to allow the bleach solution to react with any contaminants. Discard paper towel in biohazard waste. Change gloves.
- 4. Repeat Step 3 twice with fresh paper towels for a total of three bleach wipes.
- 5. Wet a paper towel with water and wipe the inner chamber.
- 6. Repeat Step 5 with fresh gloves and paper towel.

#### Instrument Exterior Decontamination

- 1. Put on clean PPE as appropriate.
- 2. Wet a paper towel with the 10% bleach solution and wipe all exterior surfaces of the instrument, including the bottom and the bench top where the instrument had contact. Let it stand for at least 3 minutes to allow the bleach solution to react with any contaminants. Discard paper towel in biohazard waste. Change gloves.
- 3. Repeat Step 2 twice with fresh paper towels and clean gloves, for a total of three bleach wipes.
- 4. Change gloves, then wet a new paper towel with distilled water and wipe the surfaces of the inner chamber, including under the lid, and the entire exterior of the instrument, including the bottom and the bench top where the instrument had contact.
- 5. Repeat Step 4 with fresh gloves and paper towel.

# **BioFire FilmArray Torch Module Decontamination**

- 1. Put on clean PPE, such as a lab coat and gloves.
- 2. Remove pouch from instrument and discard in biohazard waste container.
- 3. Dispose of potentially contaminated gloves and lab coat and put on clean gloves and lab coat.
- 4. Wet a paper towel with 10% bleach and wipe all exterior surfaces of the BioFire Torch, including the bottom and the bench top where the BioFire Torch Module had contact. Let it stand for at least 3 minutes to allow the bleach solution to react with any contaminants. Discard paper towel in biohazard waste. Change gloves.

**NOTE:** When cleaning the touch screen, put the BioFire FilmArray Torch into Cleaning Mode. The Cleaning Mode allows 30 seconds for the touch screen to be cleaned. Access this feature from the Settings toolbar (See the BioFire FilmArray Torch Operator's Manual for more information).

CAUTION: The interior of the pouch slot and Module(s) should not be cleaned. Do not spray or insert any cleaning materials into the Module.

- 5. Repeat Step 4 twice with fresh paper towels for a total of three bleach wipes.
- 6. Change gloves, then wet a new paper towel with distilled water and wipe all exterior surfaces of the BioFire Torch. Dispose of the pare towel in biohazard waste. Change gloves.
- 7. Repeat Step 6 with a new paper towel.



- 8. Remove Module front cover. Repeat Steps 3 through 7 for inner front cover and pouch slot surfaces.
- 9. Wet a paper towel with water and wipe the inner chamber.

## **Decontamination of Bench Tops and Other Areas**

- 1. Put on clean PPE, such as a lab coat and gloves.
- 2. Spray the 10% bleach solution on the area that may have been contaminated. Let it stand for at least three minutes to allow the bleach solution to react with any contaminants on the surface.
- 3. Wipe the area with a clean paper towel. Change gloves.
- 4. Repeat Steps 2 and 3 twice, for a total of three wipes.
- 5. Change gloves. Spray the area with distilled water.
- 6. Wipe the area dry with a new paper towel. Change gloves.
- 7. Spray the area with DNAZap™ or an equivalent product. Follow the product's instructions for correct use. Change gloves.
- 8. Rinse the area by spraying it with distilled water and wiping it dry.

## **Check Function of Decontaminated Instrument**

- Test a negative sample by preparing a pouch, using water as the sample. Use distilled, sterile, or molecular grade water for the test.
- 2. If run is successful and all results are negative, continue using the instrument as normal.
- 3. If unexpected positive results are obtained or the run fails, please contact BioFire Defense Technical Support for further instructions.

## **Check for Environmental Contamination**

After decontaminating the work area and instrument as described above, use environmental swabs to check for contamination by following the protocol below:

- 1. Prepare four aliquots of 0.2 mL of molecular grade water.
- 2. Place one environmental swab in each aliquot and let soak for five minutes.
- 3. Thoroughly swab exterior of instrument and accessories, including laptop, especially areas of operator contact.
- 4. Return each swab to its original aliquot and mix the sample well.
- 5. Dispose of swabs and combine the four aliquots into one.
- 6. Load pouch as described in Procedure section of this document.
  - i. Load 0.2 mL of combined swabbing aliquot as the sample using Transfer Pipette, by drawing liquid up to the 2<sup>nd</sup> line.
  - ii. Add sample to Sample Injection Vial.
  - iii. Proceed with normal pouch loading procedure.
- 7. Run pouch using the Negative External Control Protocol.

**NOTE**: The Negative External Control Protocol detects analyte and Positive External Control contamination.

8. If the Negative External Control run fails, repeat decontamination step and contamination testing until no contamination is detected. To determine type of contamination on the BioFire FilmArray 2.0, double click on the run file, select the interpretation tab and view specific assay results. If using BioFire FilmArray



- Torch, select a run and click the melt curve icon to open the Melt Curve Viewer. If the Melt Curve Viewer is not available, contact BioFire Defense Technical Support.
- 9. If problems persist, contact BioFire Defense Technical Support for further instructions.

#### LIMITATIONS

- 1. For prescription use only.
- 2. BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel test performance has only been established on BioFire FilmArray 2.0 and BioFire FilmArray Torch Systems.
- 3. Use of the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is limited to laboratories certified under the Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA), 42 U.S.C. § 263a, that meet the requirements to perform high complexity tests, and similarly qualified U.S. Department of Defense (DoD) and non-U.S. laboratories.
- 4. This test is a qualitative test and does not provide a quantitative value for the analyte(s) in the sample.
- 5. Performance of this test has not been established for monitoring treatment of infection with any of the panel analytes.
- 6. This test is not intended for screening asymptomatic individuals.
- 7. A false negative BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel result may occur when the concentration of analyte(s) in the sample is near or below the device limit of detection.
- 8. The detection of pathogen nucleic acid is dependent upon proper sample collection, handling, transportation, storage, and preparation. Failure to observe proper procedures in any one of these steps can lead to incorrect results. There is a risk of false positive and false negative results caused by improperly collected, transported, or handled samples. The RNA process control and the PCR2 control will not indicate nucleic acid loss due to inadequate collection, transport, or storage of samples.
- 9. Recent administration of a vaccine for a BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel pathogen prior to whole blood specimen collection may lead to a false positive result.
- 10. The performance of the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel was evaluated only with human whole blood collected in EDTA tubes.
- 11. A false negative BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel result may occur in the presence of heparin or TRIzol.
- 12. A dengue virus Detected result does not provide information on the severity of the disease. The potential for hemorrhagic dengue fever should be considered.
- 13. A *Plasmodium* spp. Detected result does not provide parasitemia level information. The potential for severe malaria should be considered.
- 14. All *Plasmodium* spp. Detected results from patients potentially exposed in Southeast Asia should be further investigated for possible *P. knowlesi* infection, which may require intensive immediate monitoring and treatment.
- 15. Plasmodium malariae and Plasmodium knowlesi may cross-react with the Plasmodium vivax/ovale assay. A Plasmodium vivax/ovale Detected result should be confirmed as infection due to P. vivax or P. ovale. Neither P. malariae nor P. knowlesi have a hypnozoite liver form requiring additional monitoring and treatment.
- 16. BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel results for *Plasmodium* may not directly correlate with microscopy performed on the same specimen.
- 17. A chikungunya virus Detected result may be due to o'nyong-nyong virus cross-reactivity. O'nyong-nyong and chikungunya virus infections can occur in the same geographic locations, and present with similar symptoms.



- 18. In the rare instance of a *Francisella hispaniensis or Francisella novicida* infection, the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel may report a *Francisella tularensis* Detected result due to cross-reactivity with closely related *Francisella* species.
- 19. In silico analysis suggests the rare Central Asian *F. tularensis* subsp. *mediasiatica* is a cross-reactive species and may return a *Francisella tularensis* Detected result on the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel.
- 20. Infection with *Leptomonas seymouri* may return a *Leishmania* spp. Detected result on the Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel due to cross-reactivity. Immunocompromised individuals with visceral leishmaniasis are commonly coinfected with *L. seymouri*.
- 21. The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel may have reduced sensitivity for the detection of *Bacillus anthracis* strains SK-102 (Pakistan) and Vollum 1B.
- 22. The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel may have reduced sensitivity for Leishmania infantum.
- 23. The BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel may have reduced sensitivity for the following isolates of yellow fever virus: SVM 3-18-09, CAREC M2-09, INHRR 7a-05, and INHRR 10a-10.
- 24. Dengue virus inclusivity testing and in silico analyses demonstrated that the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel may have variable detection or reduced sensitivity for some strains detected by the dengue virus assays.
- 25. Due to the genetic diversity of Lassa virus not all sequences may be detected by the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel. In silico analysis indicated potentially reduced sensitivity for Lassa virus Lineage VI. Additional testing of negative results may be warranted if Lassa virus infection is suspected.
- 26. Negative results do not rule out infection with *Leishmania* spp. Diagnosis of Leishmania infection should consider other clinical and diagnostic findings as well as patient history and epidemiological information.
- 27. Due to the rarity of *Bacillus anthracis*, Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever Virus, *Ebolavirus*, *Francisella tularensis*, *Marburgvirus*, Yellow fever virus, and *Yersinia pestis* clinical specimens, performance characteristics were established primarily using contrived clinical specimens.
- 28. Detection of two or more pathogens on the Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is uncommon and results should be verified by a single retest.
- 29. Detection of any select agent (*Bacillus anthracis*, *Francisella tularensis*, Lassa virus, *Yersinia pestis*, Crimean-Congo Hemorrhagic Fever virus, *Ebolavirus* spp., and *Marburgvirus*) on the BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel is rare and presumptive and must be reported to public health authorities. Retesting is recommended.



#### **EXPECTED VALUES**

In the prospective clinical evaluation of the BioFire GF SP Panel, 2139 whole blood specimens were collected and tested at eleven study sites across the world over approximately three years (March 2018 – March 2021). Expected value summaries (as determined by the BioFire GF SP Panel), stratified by region and site, are presented in **Table 7**. Also provided is the prevalence of the BioFire GF SP Panel pathogens in the United States and Territories since the beginning of 2010 (as reported by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention). Total number of cases in the United States are provided in **Table 8** and in the United States Territories in **Table 9**.

Table 7. Expected Value (As Determined by the BioFire GF SP Panel) Summary by Region and Study Site (Specimens Acquired March 2018 – March 2021); # = Number; EV= Expected Value

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	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV	#	EV
Chikungunya virus <sup>a</sup>	27	1.3%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	27	6.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	1	0.05%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Dengue virus <sup>b</sup> (serotypes 1, 2, 3, 4)	266	12.4%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.7%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	90	36.1%	54	13.3%	0	0.0%	20	6.7%	101	74.3%
West Nile virus	1	0.05%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Leptospira spp.	19	0.9%	1	0.6%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	1	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	4	1.6%	4	1.0%	0	0.0%	9	3.0%	0	0.0%
Leishmania spp.	10	0.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	10	8.8%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%
Plasmodium spp.	407	19.0%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	16	11.9%	105	55.6%	141	70.9%	49	31.0%	7	2.8%	4	1.0%	1	0.9%	84	28.3%	0	0.0%
P. falciparum	283	13.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	14	10.4%	94	49.7%	125	62.8%	42	26.6%	3	1.2%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	5	1.7%	0	0.0%
P. vivax/ovale	118	5.5%	0	0.0%	0	0.0%	3	2.2%	3	1.6%	12	6.0%	12	7.6%	4	1.6%	4	1.0%	0	0.0%	80	26.9%	0	0.0%

a Chikungunya virus was detected in specimens collected in Southern Thailand, between February and September 2019, during a local chikungunya virus outbreak.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Dengue virus was detected at five study sites between November 2018 and October 2019 during a multi-country dengue virus outbreak.

Table 8. Number of Cases of BioFire GF SP Panel Diseases Reported in the United States since 2010 as Reported by the CDC (MMWR) (Leishmaniasis is not a CDC reportable disease and is not included in this table)

Disease	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019 a	2020 b	2021 b,c
Anthrax	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	1
Chikungunya virus disease <sup>d</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	896	247	156	117	192	22	6
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dengue virus infections e	700	254	547	843	680	951	953	454	474	1,414	332	32
Ebola virus	0	0	0	0	4 <sup>f</sup>	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lassa virus	1	0	0	0	1 <sup>f</sup>	1	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leptospirosis <sup>g</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	38	40	78	72	91	94	31	23
Malaria	1,773	1,724	1,503	1,594	1,653	1,390	1,955	2,056	1,748	1,936	360	569
Marburg virus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plague	2	3	4	4	10	16	4	5	1	1	7	0
Tularemia	124	166	149	203	180	314	230	239	229	274	78	52
West Nile virus disease h	1,021	712	5,673	2,469	2,205	2,175	2,149	2,097	2,646	974	664	210
Yellow fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> The following 24 jurisdictions may have incomplete data, due to the coronavirus disease 2019 (COVID-19) pandemic: Alaska, California, Connecticut, Delaware, District of Columbia, Florida, Idaho, Indiana, Kansas, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Missouri, Montana, Nebraska, New Hampshire, New York (excluding New York City), New York City, North Dakota, Ohio, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, and West Virginia.

b Case counts for reporting years 2020 and 2021 are provisional and subject to change.

c To week of August 28, 2021.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Chikungunya virus disease added to the list of notifiable diseases in 2015.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup> Note that the case definitions of dengue fever were updated in 2015.

In addition to the four cases of Ebola Virus Disease diagnosed in the United States in 2014, six patients were medically evacuated to the United States for care after being diagnosed with Ebola Virus Disease in West Africa. In total, 11 VHF cases were reported for 2014, 10 confirmed infections with Ebola virus and one confirmed infection with Lassa virus.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>g</sup> Leptospirosis data became available in 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>h</sup> West Nile virus includes neuroinvasive and non-neuroinvasive.

Table 9. Number of Cases of BioFire GF SP Panel Diseases Reported in the United States Territories since 2010 as Reported by the CDC (MMWR) (Leishmaniasis is not a CDC reportable disease and is not included in this table).

Disease	2010	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016	2017	2018	2019	2020 a	2021 <sup>a,b</sup>
Anthrax	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Chikungunya virus disease <sup>c</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	237	180	39	8	2	0	0
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Dengue virus infections d	10,911 e	1,541	6,167 e	9,884 f	544	61	218	512	157	118	295	287
Ebola virus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Lassa virus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Leptospirosis <sup>g</sup>	N/A	N/A	N/A	N/A	69	56	77	123	92	95	23	3
Malaria	5	2	1	0	1	7	3	0	0	2	1	0
Marburg virus	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Plague	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Tularemia	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
West Nile virus disease h	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0
Yellow fever	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Case counts for reporting years 2020 and 2021 are provisional and subject to change.

b To week of August 28, 2021.
c Chikungunya virus disease added to the list of notifiable diseases in 2015.

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Rise in cases marked by Dengue virus outbreak in Puerto Rico.

Rise in cases marked by a Dengue virus outbreak in Puerto Rico and the U.S. Virgin Islands

g Leptospirosis data became available in 2014.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>h</sup> West Nile virus includes neuroinvasive and non-neuroinvasive.

## PERFORMANCE CHARACTERISTICS

## **Testing of Prospective Clinical Specimens**

The clinical performance of the BioFire GF SP Panel was established during a multi-center study conducted at eleven geographically distinct study sites, including two in the United States, from March 2018 to March 2021. A total of 2249 subjects were enrolled in the prospective clinical study; 110 subjects or their specimens were excluded from the final data analysis.

The most common reasons for specimen exclusion were difficulty drawing blood, procedural errors by laboratory personnel, or inability to obtain a BioFire GF SP Panel or comparator result. The final data set consisted of 2139 whole blood specimens. **Table 10** provides a summary of demographic information for the specimens included in the prospective study (note: skipped site numbers are due to some potential sites ultimately not participating in the BioFire GF SP Panel Study).

Table 10. Demographics: Overall and Per Site Enrollment

		Overall	Site 01	Site 02	Site 04	Site 05	Site 07	Site 08	Site 09	Site 11	Site 12	Site 13	Site 14
X	Female	1095 (51.2%)	58 (43.3%)	115 (60.8%)	31 (27.4%)	125 (62.8%)	113 (63.1%)	107 (43.0%)	206 (50.7%)	87 (55.1%)	132 (44.4%)	80 (58.8%)	41 (51.9%)
Sex	Male	1044 (48.8%)	76 (56.7%)	74 (39.2%)	82 (72.6%)	74 (37.2%)	66 (36.9%)	142 (57.0%)	200 (49.3%)	71 (44.9%)	165 (55.6%)	56 (41.2%)	38 (48.1%)
	<b>&lt;</b> 5	178 (8.3%)	44 (32.8%)	35 (18.5%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)	0ª (0%)	25 (10.0%)	О <sup>ь</sup> (0%)	66 (41.8%)	3 (1.0%)	5 (3.7%)	0 (0%)
Age	5 to 21	822 (38.4%)	21 (15.7%)	78 (41.3%)	14 (12.4%)	128 (64.3%)	14ª (7.8%)	127 (51.0%)	204 <sup>b</sup> (50.2%)	70 (44.3%)	102 (34.3%)	61 (44.9%)	3 (3.8%)
Αć	22 to 50	779 (36.4%)	42 (31.3%)	46 (24.3%)	62 (54.9%)	59 (29.6%)	106 (59.2%)	63 (25.3%)	141 (34.7%)	21 (13.3%)	146 (49.2%)	61 (44.9%)	32 (40.5%)
	>50	360 (16.8%)	27 (20.1%)	30 (15.9%)	37 (32.7%)	12 (6.0%)	59 (33.0%)	34 (13.7%)	61 (15.0%)	1 (0.6%)	46 (15.5%)	9 (6.6%)	44 (55.7%)
	Total	2139	134	189	113	199	179	249	406	158	297	136	79

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Site was not enrolling subjects <18 years old.

Specimens were evaluated with the BioFire GF SP Panel at clinical study sites. Nucleic acids were also extracted at clinical study sites and shipped to BioFire Defense for comparator testing using analytically validated polymerase chain reaction (PCR)/sequencing-based comparator methods. A BioFire GF SP Panel result (Detected or Not Detected) was considered a True Positive (TP) or True Negative (TN) only when it agreed with the comparator result.

Positive Percent Agreement (PPA) for each analyte was calculated as  $100\% \times (TP / (TP + FN))$ . False Negative (FN) indicates that the BioFire GF SP Panel result was Not Detected, while the comparator result was positive. Negative Percent Agreement (NPA) was calculated as  $100\% \times (TN / (TN + FP))$ . False Positive (FP) indicates that the BioFire GF SP Panel result was Detected, but the comparator result was negative. The Wilson Score two-sided 95% confidence interval was calculated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Site was not enrolling subjects <7 years old.

Specimens for which false positive and/or false negative results (i.e., discrepant results) were obtained when comparing the BioFire GF SP Panel results to the comparator method results were further investigated. The discrepancy investigations were typically performed as follows: 1) Discrepancies between the BioFire GF SP Panel and comparator assays were examined and additional testing performed to determine whether the analyte was initially reported as Negative or Not Detected because it was near or below the detection threshold; 2) FP and FN results were evaluated by at least one additional PCR test that used different primers than the BioFire GF SP Panel assays or the comparator assays; 3) When possible, unresolved discrepancies were evaluated with additional PCR testing that could be verified by sequence analysis. The prospective clinical study results are summarized in **Table 11** through **Table 14**.

The majority of specimens (1720/2139; 80.4%) were tested fresh, while 419 (19.6%) specimens were frozen before later being thawed and tested. The validity of testing frozen specimens was evaluated in a separate study in which contrived and clinical specimens were tested fresh and then retested after freezing. Equivalence was observed for BioFire GF SP Panel performance with frozen compared to fresh specimens. Similarly, a comparison of BioFire GF SP Panel performance on fresh and frozen specimens tested in this study also demonstrated equivalence (**Table 11** through **Table 13**). Thus, all data for fresh and frozen specimens are combined for all analyses.

Table 11. BioFire GF SP Panel Clinical Performance Summary – Viruses

BioFire GF SP Detected	Number		PPA			NPA	1
Result	Tested	TP/(TP + FN)	%	95% CI	TN/(TN + FP)	%	95% CI
Chikungunya virus <sup>a</sup>	1875°	25/25	100%	86.7-100%	1848/1850	99.9%	99.6-100%
Crimean-Congo							
hemorrhagic	2139	1/1	100%	20.7-100%	2138/2138	100%	99.8-100%
fever virus							
Dengue virus <sup>b</sup>	1875°	266/283	94.0%	90.6-96.2%	1592/1592	100%	99.8-100%
Ebolavirus	2139	0/0	1	-	2139/2139	100%	99.8-100%
Lassa virus	2139	0/0	ı	-	2139/2139	100%	99.8-100%
Marburgvirus	2139	0/0	-	-	2139/2139	100%	99.8-100%
West Nile virus	2139	1/1	100%	20.7-100%	2138/2138	100%	99.8-100%
Yellow fever virus	2139	0/0	-	-	2139/2139	100%	99.8-100%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Evidence of Chikungunya virus was found in 2/2 FP specimens by additional PCR.

Table 12. BioFire GF SP Panel Clinical Performance Summary – Bacteria

BioFire GF SP Detected	Number		PPA			NPA	
Result	Tested	TP/(TP + FN)	%	95% CI	TN/(TN + FP)	%	95% CI
Bacillus anthracis	2139	0/0	-	-	2139/2139	100%	99.8-100%
Francisella tularensis	2139	0/0	-	-	2139/2139	100%	99.8-100%
Leptospira spp.a	1875 <sup>b</sup>	15/16	93.8%	71.7- 98.9%	1855/1859	99.8%	99.4-99.9%
Yersinia pestis	2139	0/0	-	1	2139/2139	100%	99.8-100%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Evidence of *Leptospira* spp. was found in 1/1 FN specimens by BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest and by additional PCR, and in 3/4 FP specimens by additional PCR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Evidence of Dengue virus was found in 15/17 FN specimens: five specimens were positive upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest and by additional PCR, two were positive only upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest, and eight were detected only by additional PCR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Comparator analysis was not performed for Chikungunya virus or Dengue virus on specimens collected after September 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Comparator analysis was not performed for *Leptospira* on specimens collected after September 2019.

Table 13. BioFire GF SP Panel Clinical Performance Summary - Protozoa

BioFire GF SP Panel	Number		PPA		NPA				
Detected Result	Tested	TP/(TP + FN)	%	95% CI	TN/(TN + FP)	%	95% CI		
Leishmania spp.	2139	10/10	100%	72.2-100%	2129/2129	100%	99.8-100%		
Plasmodium spp.a,b	1875 <sup>e</sup>	338/343	98.5%	96.6-99.4%	1519/1532	99.2%	98.6-99.5%		
Plasmodium falciparum <sup>c</sup>	1875 <sup>e</sup>	230/248	92.7%	88.8-95.4%	1624/1627	99.8%	99.5-99.9%		
Plasmodium vivax/ovale <sup>d</sup>	1875 <sup>e</sup>	115/124	92.7%	86.8-96.1%	1751/1751	100%	99.8-100%		

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Four (4/5) *Plasmodium* FN specimens were also *P. falciparum* FN and one (1/5) was *P. vivax/ovale* FN. Three (3/13) *Plasmodium* FP specimens were also *P. falciparum* FP.

The prevalence of unique analytes in co-detections is presented in **Table 14.** The BioFire GF SP Panel reported a total of 31 specimens with discernible multiple analyte detections (1.4% of all specimens, 31/2139; 4.3% of positive specimens, 31/725). The majority of co-detections (29/31; 93.5%) contained *Plasmodium* spp. No co-detections contained more than two unique analytes. The most frequently occurring combination of analytes was *P. falciparum* with *P. vivax/ovale* (3.4% of all positive specimens; 25/725).

Table 14. Prevalence of Analytes in Co-Detections as Determined by the BioFire GF SP Panel

FilmArray Detected Result <sup>a</sup>		e in Overall or the Analyte		nce in All ections
Chikungunya virus	2/27	7.4%	2/31	6.4%
Dengue virus (serotypes 1, 2, 3, and 4)	4/266	1.5%	4/31	12.9%
Leptospira	2/19	10.5%	2/31	6.4%
Plasmodium <sup>b</sup>	29/407	7.1%	29/31	93.5%
P. falciparum <sup>c</sup>	26/283	9.2%	26/31	83.9%
P. vivax/ovale <sup>c</sup>	27/118	22.9%	27/31	87.1%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Multiple species/strains within a genus are not always discernible as individual detections.

The overall success rate for initial specimen tests on the BioFire GF SP Panel was 98.5% (2136/2168); seven tests did not complete (four due to loss of power, two instrument errors, and one software error), and 25 tests had pouch internal control failures. Of the 32 unsuccessful initial tests, all were retested once, and valid results were produced for 27/32 retested specimens. Only 0.2% (5/2168) of eligible specimens were ultimately excluded due to the inability to obtain a BioFire GF SP Panel test result.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Evidence of *Plasmodium* spp. was found in 2/5 FN specimens: one specimen was positive upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest and by additional PCR, and one was positive only upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest. Evidence of *Plasmodium* spp. was found in 11/13 FP specimens by additional PCR (10/13) or by species-level comparator assay (1/13).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Evidence of *P. falciparum* was found in 13/18 FN specimens: three specimens were positive upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest and by additional PCR, one was positive only upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest, and nine were positive only by additional PCR. Evidence of *P. falciparum* was found in 2/3 FP specimens by additional PCR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Evidence of *P. vivax/ovale* was found in 7/9 FN specimens: two specimens were positive upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest and by additional PCR, two were positive only upon BioFire Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retest, and three were positive only by additional PCR.

e Comparator analysis was not performed for Plasmodium, P. falciparum, or P. vivax/ovale on specimens collected after September 2019.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> One out of 29 (1/29) *Plasmodium* spp. co-detections did not have a species-level *Plasmodium* assay detection.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup> Twenty-five (25) co-detections were positive for *P. falciparum* and *P. vivax/ovale*.

### **Testing of Archived Clinical Specimens**

Many of the analytes detectable by the BioFire GF SP Panel were not encountered in large enough numbers to adequately demonstrate system performance. In this study, archived specimens with known analyte content and/or archived specimens with a high likelihood of containing a given analyte were tested with the BioFire GF SP Panel to supplement the prospective clinical evaluation data. Wherever possible, archived whole blood specimens were tested. Where no whole blood specimens could be obtained blood plasma and blood serum were tested instead. Although plasma and serum are not the intended specimen type for the BioFire GF SP Panel, these blood components were expected to provide similar results to whole blood specimens. Specimens came from a range of ages and sexes (**Table 15**).

Table 15. Overall and Per Site Demographic Analysis

		Overall	Site 01 ª	Site 02	Site 03 a
	Female	160 (38.5%)	79 (39.7%)	49 (59.8%)	32 (23.7%)
Sex	Male	148 (35.6%)	97 (48.7%)	33 (40.2%)	18 (13.3%)
	Unknown	108 (26.0%)	23 (11.6%)	0 (0%)	85 (63%)
	<5	14 (3.4%)	14 (7.0%)	0 (0%)	0 (0%)
	5 to 21	37 (8.9%)	19 (9.5%)	14 (17.1%)	4 (3%)
Age	22 to 50	200 (48.1%)	121 (60.8%)	56 (68.3%)	23 (17%)
	>50	57 (13.7%)	22 (11.1%)	12 (14.6%)	23 (17%)
	Unknown	108 (26.0%)	23 (11.6%)	0 (0%)	85 (63%)
	Total	416	199	82	135

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Demographic data was not available for 23 specimens from Site 01 and 85 specimens from Site 03.

Specimens were also tested by the same PCR comparator methods used in the clinical performance evaluation. Not all comparator assays were used for every specimen in this study. The selection of comparator assays was based on the potential for observing the given analytes in each specimen. Additionally, comparator testing for pathogen targets previously reviewed by the U.S. Food and Drug Administration as part of the BioFire Global Fever Panel were not performed for this study (i.e., chikungunya virus, dengue virus, *Leptospira* spp., and *Plasmodium* spp.). A panel result (Detected or Not Detected) was considered a true positive (TP) or true negative (TN) only when it agreed with the comparator result (**Table 16**).

Table 16. BioFire GF SP Panel Archived Specimen Performance Summary

Pathogen <sup>a</sup>		PPA			NPA	
ratilogen	TP/(TP + FN)	%	95% CI	TN/(TN + FP)	%	95% CI
		Viru	ses			
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	0/0	-	-	281/281	100%	98.7-100%
<i>Ebolavirus</i> spp. <sup>ь</sup>	0/0	-	-	279/279	100%	98.6-100%
Lassa virus <sup>b,c</sup>	10/12	83.3%	55.2-95.3%	265/267	99.2%	97.3-99.8%
Marburgvirus <sup>b</sup>	0/0	-	-	279/279	100%	98.6-100%
West Nile virus <sup>b,d,e,f</sup>	59/65	90.8%	81.3-95.7%	345/347	99.4%	97.9-99.8%
Yellow fever virus <sup>b</sup>	0/0	-	-	279/279	100%	98.6-100%
		Bact	teria			
Bacillus anthracis	0/0	-	-	281/281	100%	98.7-100%
Francisella tularensis	0/0	-	-	281/281	100%	98.7-100%
Yersinia pestis	0/0	-	-	281/281	100%	98.7-100%
		Prote	ozoa			
<i>Leishmania</i> spp. <sup>g</sup>	0/0	-	-	283/283	100%	98.7-100%

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> Results for chikungunya virus, dengue virus, *Leptospira* spp., and *Plasmodium* spp. were not evaluated with comparator assays and are omitted from this table.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Due to low specimen volume comparator results for most pathogens were not obtained for two specimens. These specimens were only tested on a subset of pathogens including Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus, *Bacillus anthracis*, *Francisella tularensis*, *Yersinia pestis*, and *Leishmania* spp..

<sup>°</sup> Evidence of Lassa virus was found in 1 out of 2 FN specimens and 1 out of 2 FP specimens by additional PCR.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> A set of 133 specimens tested at Site 03 had been previously characterized and were expected to be negative for all panel targets or positive for West Nile virus. These specimens were only evaluated by comparator methods for West Nile virus.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup> Archived specimens included blood serum and blood plasma.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>f</sup> Evidence of West Nile virus was found in 6/6 FN specimens: four specimens were positive upon Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel retesting and three of these were also positive by additional PCR. The other two FN specimens were positive only by additional PCR testing. Evidence of West Nile virus was detected in 1 out of 2 FP specimens by additional PCR testing.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>9</sup> Two specimens tested at Site 03 had been previously characterized and were only tested on comparator assays for *Leishmania* spp...

## **Testing of Contrived Clinical Specimens**

Testing was performed using contrived clinical specimens for rare analytes for which no archived specimens were available, or for which there were an insufficient number of archived specimens, testing was performed using contrived specimens. This study evaluated BioFire GF SP Panel sensitivity and specificity when testing whole blood specimens contrived with *Bacillus anthracis*, Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus, *Ebolavirus*, *Francisella tularensis*, Lassa fever virus, *Leishmania* spp., *Marburgvirus*, West Nile virus, yellow fever virus, and *Yersinia pestis*.

Contrived specimens were prepared using residual human whole blood specimens from patients with signs and/or symptoms of acute febrile illness. For each analyte, fifty (50) replicates were contrived using quantified isolates at a range of concentrations relative to the limit of detection. If known, clinically relevant concentrations were used to adjust testing levels. The contrived specimens also served as a negative replicate for all other analytes. Specimens were prepared and randomized such that the analyte status of each contrived specimen was blinded to the users performing testing. The positive percent agreement (PPA) and negative percent agreement (NPA) were defined as agreement between the BioFire GF SP Panel result and the known composition of the contrived specimen. A summary of the results is shown in **Table 17**.

Table 17. Summary of BioFire GF SP Panel Contrived Specimen Performance Data

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		PPA			NPA	
Analyte	TP/(TP + FN)	%	95% CI	TN/(TN + FP)	%	95% CI
Bacillus anthracis	50/50	100	92.9-100	332/332	100	98.9-100
CCHF virus <sup>a</sup>	98/100 <sup>b</sup>	98	93.0-99.5	282/282	100	98.7-100
Ebolavirus spp.	50/50	100	92.9-100	332/332	100	98.9-100
Francisella tularensis	50/50	100	92.9-100	332/332	100	98.9-100
Lassa virus	50/50	100	92.9-100	332/332	100	98.9-100
Leishmania spp.	50/50	100	92.9-100	332/332	100	98.9-100
<i>Marburgvirus</i> <sup>a</sup>	99/100°	99	94.6-99.8	282/282	100	98.7-100
West Nile virus	50/50	100	92.9-100	331/332 <sup>d</sup>	99.7	98.3-100
Yellow fever virus	49/50 <sup>e</sup>	98	89.5-99.7	332/332	100	98.9-100
Yersinia pestis	50/50	100	92.9-100	332/332	100	98.9-100

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a</sup> CCHF virus and Marburg viruses were tested at additional concentrations to better represent clinically relevant range.

#### **Limit of Detection**

The Limit of Detection (LoD) was first estimated by testing dilutions of contrived whole blood samples containing known analyte concentrations. Confirmation of the BioFire GF SP Panel LoD was achieved by testing 20 replicates containing analytes at their estimated LoD concentration. LoD was confirmed when the organism was detected in at least 19 of the 20 replicates tested (19/20 = 95%).

The confirmed LoD values are shown in copies/mL based on quantitative PCR testing using commercially available quantitative real-time PCR assay kits, and units when provided by the source (See **Table 18**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>b</sup> Two false negative CCHF virus results were observed at 2× LoD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>c</sup>One false negative *Marburgvirus* result was observed at 10× LoD.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>d</sup> Discrepancy testing showed near LoD levels of WNV in a single whole blood sample.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>e</sup> One false negative yellow fever virus result was observed at 5× LoD.

Table 18. Summary of Limit of Detection (LoD) for the BioFire GF SP Panel

Global Fever Special Pathogens Panel	Isolate Tested	Live/Inactivated	LoD C	oncentration
Analyte	isolate resteu	Live/illactivated	Copies/mL <sup>1</sup>	Units/mL <sup>2</sup>
	BACTERIA			
Bacillus anthracis	Ames35	Live	4.2E+01	N/A
Francisella tularensis	SCHU S4	Inactivated	1.2E+03	N/A
Leptospira spp.	<i>interrogans</i> : serovar icterohaemorrhagiae, Serotype: Budapest	Live	3.4E+02	N/A
Yersinia pestis	A1122	Live	1.3E+02	N/A
	VIRUSES			
Chikungunya virus	R80422	Inactivated	5.5E+02	3.6E-01 TCID <sub>50</sub> /mL
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	Strain lbAr10200	Inactivated	6.4E+00	N/A
	DENV-1: Hawaii	Live	2.2E+02	N/A
	DENV-2-1: New Guinea C	Live	3.4E+02	N/A
Dengue virus	DENV-2-2: Dak AR A1247	Live	2.7E+03	1.5E+02 TCID <sub>50</sub> /mL
	DENV-3: H87	Live	1.3E+02	3.7E+00 TCID <sub>50</sub> /mL
	DENV-4: H241	Live	6.4E+01	1.8E+02 TCID <sub>50</sub> /mL
	Bundibugyo: 200706291 Uganda	Inactivated	7.0E+04	N/A
	Taï Forest: Cote d'Ivoire 11/27/94	Inactivated	8.3E+03	N/A
Ebolavirus spp.	Reston: 119810 RIID (MKY 53) (prototype 1989)	Inactivated	2.7E+04	N/A
	Sudan: Boniface	Inactivated	1.1E+04	N/A
	Zaire: Guéckédou/Guinea C07	Inactivated	1.0E+02	1.5E+02 PFU/mL
Lassa virus	Josiah	Inactivated	5.6E+04	N/A
	Marburg virus: Musoke	Inactivated	5.0E+02	N/A
Marburgvirus	Ravn virus: Kenya Ravn	Inactivated	2.6E+02	N/A
	NY 2001-6263 (Lineage 1)	Inactivated	1.1E+03	2.7E+01 TCID <sub>50</sub> /mL
West Nile virus	B-956 Uganda (Lineage 2)	Inactivated	2.3E+04	6.2E+00 TCID <sub>50</sub> /mL
Yellow fever virus	Strain 17D	Live attenuated	1.2E+02	1.2E+01 TCID <sub>50</sub> /mL
	PROTOZOA		1	
Leishmania spp.	L. donovani: 9515 (MHOM/IN/95/9515)	Live	1.0E+01	2.2E+01 cells/mL
zoioiiiiaiiia oppi	P. falciparum, IPC 4884 Pursat Cambodia 2011	Live	1.8E+02	N/A
	P. knowlesi, H strain	gDNA	2.4E+01	20 pg/mL
<i>Plasmodium</i> spp.	P. malariae (Clinical Specimen)	Live	1.9E+02	2.3E-01 cells/mL
	P. ovale, wallikeri (Clinical Specimen)	Live	2.4E+02	N/A
	P. vivax, Strain Chesson	Live	1.5E+02	N/A
Plasmodium falciparum	IPC 4884 Pursat Cambodia 2011	Live	1.8E+02	N/A
Plasmodium	P. ovale, wallikeri (Clinical Specimen)	Live	2.4E+02	N/A
			1.5E+02	,,,,

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Based on analyte stock concentrations determined using commercially available quantitative real-time PCR assay kits.

The LoD for BioFire GF SP Panel analytes that require BioSafety Level (BSL) 3 or 4 facilities when handling infectious material was estimated by testing dilutions of whole blood samples contrived with infectious stocks. The estimated LoD was defined as the lowest concentration in a serial 10-fold dilution with four out of four (4/4) replicates testing positive (See **Table 19**).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on analyte stock concentration/titer values provided by vendor.

Table 19. Summary of Estimated LoD for Infectious BSL3/4 BioFire GF SP Panel Analytes

BioFire GF SP	Conscion/Ctunin	UCC1 ID	Conc	entration
Panel Interpretation	Species/Strain	OCC. ID	Copies/mL <sup>2</sup>	Units/mL <sup>3</sup>
	BACTERI	A		
Bacillus anthracis	Ames	BACI008	6.4E+01	3.5E+00 cfu/mL
Francisella tularensis	subsp. <i>tularensis</i> Schu	FRAN016	1.2E+01	2.1E+02 cfu/mL
Yersinia pestis	CO92	YERS023	1.5E+02	3.0E+01 cfu/mL
	VIRUSES	3		
CCHF Virus	lbAr10200	Nairo001	6.4E+02	2.9E+03 pfu/mL
Childungunya Virus	B8635	Alpha031	5.5E+02	4.4E+01 pfu/mL
Chikungunya Virus	Indo23574	Alpha008	5.5E+02	9.0E+01 pfu/mL
	Bundibugyo virus / Uganda (811250)	Ebola005	7.0E+02	5.6E+00 pfu/mL
	Taï Forest virus / Taï Forest (Ivory Coast)	Ebola004	1.8E+02	N/A
Ebolavirus	Reston virus / H-28	Ebola003	2.7E+03	4.7E+01 pfu/mL
	Sudan virus / Boniface	Ebola002	1.1E+02	5.3E+00 pfu/mL
	Zaire ebolavirus / Makona	Ebola027	1.1E+03	1.6E+01 pfu/mL
Lassa Virus	Josiah	Arena002	5.6E+03	2.6E+01 pfu/mL
Marburg	Ci67	Marbrg003	5.0E+02	1.5E+03 pfu/mL
marburgvirus	Ravn	Marbrg002	2.6E+02	4.7E+01 pfu/mL
West Nile Virus	Bz NY99 (lin. 1)	Flavi022	1.6E+02	9.5E+00 pfu/mL
Yellow Fever Virus	Asibi	Flavi005	1.2E+01	9.2E+00 pfu/mL

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> U.S. Department of Defense Unified Culture Collection.

## **Analytical Reactivity (Inclusivity)**

Analytical reactivity of the BioFire GF SP Panel assays was evaluated in silico and by empirical testing of isolates representing relevant species, serotypes, and strains where available. Each isolate was tested in triplicate at near LoD levels. If an isolate was detected at ≤3.5×LoD, the isolate was considered inclusive. Isolates detected at higher concentrations are considered to be detected with reduced sensitivity.

Isolates with limitations on assay reactivity (based on wet testing observations) are noted in **Table 20**, with results of the in silico analysis for these isolates shown in the footnotes. Results for analytical reactivity testing are summarized for each analyte in **Table 21** and **Table 22** with strains used for LoD testing shown in bold text. No additional isolates of CCHF virus were available for testing.

**NOTE:** The BioFire GF SP Panel may react with vaccines that contain specific segments of the pathogen or full genome vaccines containing attenuated/inactivated pathogen, including vaccines for yellow fever. Care should be taken to minimize contamination of samples with vaccines, and clinical history of vaccine administration should be considered in the interpretation of results.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Based on analyte stock concentrations determined using commercially available quantitative real-time PCR assay kits.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Based on analyte stock titer values provided by vendor.

Table 20. Limitations on Analytical Reactivity of the BioFire GF SP Panel Assays

Observed Result	Detection Level	Analyte	Serotype/Strain/Isolate
		Leishmania spp.	L. braziliensis Vianna 1
		Leisiinania spp.	L. infantum <sup>1</sup>
	10×LoD	Plasmodium falciparum	SenTh021.09 <sup>1</sup>
		Bacillus anthracis	SK-102 (Pakistan) <sup>2</sup>
		Bacillus antiliacis	Vollum 1B <sup>2</sup>
Detected	~100×LoD	Dengue virus	Serotype 3 BC188/97 <sup>1</sup>
(may be underreported)			Serotype 4 D85-0191
		Ebolavirus	Zaire ebolavirus Mayinga (Inactivated) 3
			CAREC M2-09 <sup>4</sup>
		Yellow fever virus	INHRR 7a-05 <sup>4</sup>
			INHRR 10a-10 <sup>4</sup>
	1000×LoD	Yellow fever virus	SVM 3-18-09 <sup>4</sup>
Not Detected	N/A	Dengue virus	Serotype 2 DKA 811 <sup>5</sup>

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>The reason for the observed reduced reactivity could not be identified based on in silico sequence analysis. Sequences for these specific strains were not available in public databases.

Table 21. BioFire GF SP Panel Analytical Reactivity (Inclusivity)

Analyte	# Isolates Detected / Tested	Isolates Tested		Source / ID	Concentration Detected Tested up to 100× LoD <sup>1</sup>	Limitations												
			BACTERIA	1														
		Ames35		BEI / NR-10355	4.2E+01 copies/mL													
Bacillus	4/4	Sterne 34Fs		BEI / NR-1400	-	None												
anthracis	4/4	UM23		BEI / NR-10351	1.3E+02 copies/mL	None												
		Weybridge		BEI / NR-10350														
		Subspecies	Strain															
		tularensis	SCHU S4	BEI / NR-15753	1.2E+03 copies/mL													
Francisella	5/5	holarctica	LVSR	BEI / NR-597	3.6E+03 copies/mL	None												
tularensis	3/3		Type B LVS (CDC)	BEI / NR-646														
														novicida	CG62	BEI / NR-580	0.0E · 00 dopies/iiiE	
			KM14S	BEI / NR-573														
		Species	Strain															
			Serovar															
Leptospira		_	(Budapest)	ATCC / 23581	3.4E+02 copies/mL													
	19/19	interrogans	HAI0156	BEI / NR-19891	1.2E+03 copies/mL	None												
	. 57 10		(Copenhageni)															
			L495 (Manilae)	BEI / NR-19816														
		alexanderi	L60 (Manhao 3)	ATCC / 700520	1.0E+03 copies/mL													
		alstonii	Sichuan 79601	ATCC / BAA-2439	1.2E+03 copies/mL													

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In silico analysis did not reveal any sequence misalignments under the primers that would explain the observed reduction in sensitivity.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Results of live testing did not show reduced sensitivity for the detection of *Zaire ebolavirus* Mayinga, and therefore the observed reduced sensitivity for inactivated *Zaire ebolavirus* Mayinga material most likely was the result of damage to nucleic acid due to the inactivation process. Therefore, no limitation for detection of *Zaire ebolavirus* Mayinga is listed.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> YFV strains SVM 3-18-09, CAREC M2-09, NHRR 7a-05, and INHRR 10a-10 were isolated from neighboring regions (Trinidad and Venezuela). In silico analyses indicate these strains are closely related and do not represent a broad diversity of sequences. Available sequences for these strains do not contain the full target region of the assay, therefore the reduced sensitivity could not be fully investigated.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> In silico analysis predicted reduced sensitivity or missed detection of this isolate due to sequence variation under the primers. Wet testing of this rare sylvatic strain at 10,000×LoD confirmed that detection was significantly impaired.

Analyte	# Isolates Detected / Tested	Isolates Tested		Source / ID	Concentration Detected Tested up to 100× LoD¹	Limitations
			Castellon 3	ATCC / 23580		
		borgpetersenii	(Castellonis) Veldrat Bataviae 46 (Javanica)	ATCC / 43292	1.0E+03 copies/mL	
		kirschneri	200701401 (Bogvere)	BEI /NR-19942	1.2E+03 copies/mL	
			3522 C (Cynopteri)	ATCC / 49945	5.3E+02 copies/mL	
		kmetyi	Bejo-Iso9T (Malaysia) 200901116	BEI / NR-22254	1.2E+03 copies/mL	
		mayottensis	(undesignated)	KIT / 0254	1.2E+03 copies/iiiL	
		noguchii	CZ 214T (Panama)	BEI / NR-22283		
		santarosai	LT 821 (Shermani) 6712	ATCC / 43286 KIT / 0220	8.7E+02 copies/mL	
			94-79970/3 (Topaz)	KIT / 0237		
		weilii	A 102 (Mengrun) Celledoni	KIT / 0023	1.2E+03 copies/mL	
			20160426	ATCC / 43285 KIT / 0074	_	
			H 27 (Hekou) LT 89-68 (Vughia)	KIT / 0074 KIT / 0127	_	
		Biovar	Strain	1017 0127		
Varainia naatia	2/2	3/3 Orientalis Orientalis	A1122	BEI / NR-636	1.3E+02 copies/mL	None
Yersinia pestis	3/3		PY-013	BEI / NR-51666	3.9E+02 copies/mL	None
		Antiqua	PH 80/63	BEI / NR-51667		
			VIRUSES			
		R80422  DHS4263  St. Martin 2013		ZeptoMetrix / 0810105CFHI	5.5E+02 copies/mL	
Chikungunya virus	3/3			BEI / NR-50884 (formerly NR- 50055)	1.7E+03 copies/mL	None
				BEI / NR-50883 (formerly NR- 49901)	1.4E+03 copies/mL	
Crimean– Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	1/1	Nigeria / IbAr1	0200	BEI / NR-37383	6.4E+00 copies/mL	None
		Serotype	Strain	ZeptoMetrix /		
			Hawaii	0810088CF	2.2E+02 copies/mL	
			Strain 12150	BEI / NR-3785	_	
			228690 276RK1	BEI / NR-3786 BEI / NR-3782	-	
Dengue virus 2		Serotype 1	BC89/94	BEI / NR-3787	-	None
	27/20		SL-6-6-04	BEI / NR-49744	6.6E+02 copies/mL	
	27/28		UIS 1162	BEI / NR-49707		
			VN/BID- V1792/2007	BEI / NR-44083		
			New Guinea C (DENV 2_1)	ZeptoMetrix / 0810089CF	3.4E+02 copies/mL	Not inclusive
		Serotype 2	DakArA1247 (DENV 2_2)	BEI / NR-12221	2.7E+03 copies/mL	of strain DKA 811

Analyte	# Isolates Detected / Tested	Isola	ates Tested	Source / ID	Concentration Detected Tested up to 100× LoD¹	Limitations
			1349	BEI / NR-12219		
			429557	BEI / NR-12216	1.1E+03 copies/mL	
			ArA6894	BEI / NR-12220	i '	
			BC102/94	BEI / NR-3789	9.4E+02 copies/mL	
			DKA 811	BEI / NR-49747	Not Detected	1
			VN/BID- V1002/2006	BEI / NR-44085	1.1E+03 copies/mL	
			H87	ZeptoMetrix / 0810090CF	1.3E+02 copies/mL	Dadwood
			271242	BEI / NR-3802	3.9E+02 copies/mL	Reduced sensitivity
		Serotype 3	BC188/97	BEI / NR-3801	1.6E+04 copies/mL	for strain
			C0360/94	BEI / NR-48800		BC188/97
			VN/BID- V1329/2006	BEI / NR-44087	3.9E+02 copies/mL	20100/01
			H241	ZeptoMetrix / 0810091CF	6.4E+01 copies/mL	
			703	BEI / NR-48801		Reduced
		Serotype 4	BC13/97	BEI / NR-3805	1.9E+02 copies/mL	sensitivity
		Octotype 4	BC287/97	BEI / NR-3806	1.0E 102 00pic3/IIIE	for strain
			BC258/97	BEI / NR-3807		D85-019
			D85-019	BEI / NR-3804	7.6E+03 copies/mL	
			PR 06-65-740	BEI / NR-49757	2.2E+02 copies/mL	
		Bundibugyo l		BEI / NR-31813	7.0E+04 copies/mL	Reduced
		Reston MKY 53		BEI / NR-44238	2.7E+04 copies/mL	sensitivity
Ebolavirus	6/6	Sudan		BEI / NR-31810	1.1E+04 copies/mL	for inactivated
Lbolavilus	0/0	Taï Forest		BEI / NR-44241	8.3E+03 copies/mL	Zaire
		Zaire	Guéckédou Mayinga	BEI / NR-49462 BEI / NR-31807	1.0E+02 copies/mL 1.1E+04 copies/mL	ebolavirus Mayinga
Lassa Virus	1/1	Josiah		BEI / NR-31822	5.6E+04 copies/mL	None
Edoca Vildo	., .	Marburg virus	s Musoke	BEI / NR-48951	5.0E+02 copies/mL	110110
Marburgvirus	3/3			BEI / NR-31816	1.5E+03 copies/mL	None
Marburgvirus	3/3	Marburg virus Voege			· ·	None
		Ravn virus Ke B-956 Uganda		BEI / NR-31819 Zeptometrix/	2.6E+02 copies/mL 2.3E+04 copies/mL	
				0810081cfhi		-
West Nile	West Nile virus 5/5	B-956 (lin. 2) NY 2001-6263 (lin. 1)		BEI / NR-50885 Zeptometrix/ 0810033cfhi	6.9E+04 copies/mL  1.1E+03 copies/mL	None
VIIUS		1986 (lin. 1)		Zeptometrix/ 0810082cfhi	2.2E+03 copies/mL	
		Bird 114 (lin. 1)		BEI / NR-50886	3.3E+03 copies/mL	1
Yellow fever virus	1/1	17D		BEI / NR-116	1.2E+02 copies/mL	None
		1	PROTOZO			
		L. donovani 9		BEI / NR-48822	1.0E+01 copies/mL	Reduced
		L. amazonens		BEI / NR-49247	3.0E+01 copies/mL	sensitivity
Leishmania	40/40	L. braziliensis		ATCC / 30879	1.0E+02 copies/mL	for
spp.	12/12	L. donovani, 1		BEI / NR-48821	3.4E+01 copies/mL	braziliensis
		L. donovani ch	nagası	ATCC / 50133	3.0E+01 copies/mL	and
		L. infantum		ATCC / 50134	1.0E+02 copies/mL	<i>infantum</i> strains
		L. major IR173	5	BEI / NR-48816	3.0E+01 copies/mL	Suallis

Analyte	# Isolates Detected / Tested	Isolates Tested		Source / ID	Concentration Detected Tested up to 100× LoD¹	Limitations				
		L. mexicana MI	HOM/BZ/82/BEL21	ATCC / 50157	2.9E+01 copies/mL					
		L. panamensis	PSC-1	BEI / NR-50162						
		L. tropica (MHC	M/AF/87/RUP)	BEI / NR-48820	3.0E+01 copies/mL					
		L. tropica (MHC	M/SU/58/strain-OD)	ATCC / 50130						
		L. venezuelens 16	is MHOM-VE/80/H-	BEI / NR-29184	3.4E+01 copies/mL					
			IPC 4884	BEI / MRA-1238	1.8E+02 copies/mL					
			SenTh021.09	BEI / MRA-1182		1				
		P. falciparum	St. Lucia	BEI / MRA-331	3.0E+02 copies/mL	- None				
Plasmodium			Tanzania, 02000708	BEI / MRA-1169	3.0E+02 copies/file					
spp.	10/10	P. vivax	Chesson	BEI / MRA-383	1.5E+02 copies/mL					
(Plasmodium	10/10		Panama	ATCC / 30138	3.1E+02 copies/mL					
spp. assay)						P. ovale	Wallikeri	CDC / N8K9QKI9	2.4E+02 copies/mL	
			Curtisi	CDC / N8K9QL0S	7.2E+02 copies/mL					
		P. knowlesi	Strain H	BEI / MRA-456G	2.4E+01 copies/mL					
		P. malariae	Clinical Sample	DLS / DLS17- 026015	1.9E+02 copies/mL					
Plasmodium			IPC 4884	BEI / MRA-1238	1.8E+02 copies/mL	Reduced				
<i>falciparum</i> (Plasmodium	4/4	P. falciparum	SenTh021.09	BEI / MRA-1182	1.8E+03 copies/mL	sensitivity for				
falciparum	falciparum		St. Lucia	BEI / MRA-331		SenTh021.0				
assay)		Tanzania, 02000708	BEI / MRA-1169	3.0E+02 copies/mL	9					
Plasmodium	·	P. vivax	Chesson	BEI / MRA-383	1.5E+02 copies/mL					
vivax/ovale		r. vivax	Panama	ATCC / 30138	3.1E+02 copies/mL					
(Plasmodium	4/4	'' '	Wallikeri	CDC / N8K9QKI9	2.4E+02 copies/mL	None				
vivax/ovale assay)		P. ovale	Curtisi	CDC / N8K9QL0S	7.2E+02 copies/mL					

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Test concentrations were based on the LoD for the analyte in copies/mL with stock concentrations determined using a commercial qPCR assay.



Table 22. BioFire GF SP Panel Analytical Reactivity (Inclusivity) for Infectious BSL3/4 Analytes

Analyte	# Isolates Detected/Tested	Isolates T	ested	UCC 1 ID	Concentration Detected	Limitations	
		Ames		BACI008	6.4E+01 copies/mL		
		108		BACI226	1.9E+02 copies/mL		
		2002013094		BACI293	1.9E+02 copies/mL		
		Canadian Bison		BACI153	1.9E+02 copies/mL		
		K3		BACI261	1.9E+02 copies/mL	Reduced sensitivity	
Bacillus	10/10	Ohio ACB		BACI259	1.9E+02 copies/mL	for strains SK-102	
anthracis	10/12	PAK-1		BACI309	1.9E+02 copies/mL	and	
		RA3 SK-102 (Pakistan)		BACI225	1.9E+02 copies/mL	Vollum 1B	
		South Africa (BA 103	35)	BACI126 BACI207	6.4E+02 copies/mL 1.9E+02 copies/mL	-	
		Sterne	33)	BACI012	1.9E+02 copies/mL		
		Turkey #32		BACI260	1.9E+02 copies/mL		
		Vollum 1B		BACI124	6.4E+02 copies/mL		
		Subspecies	Strain				
		-	Schu4	FRAN016	1.2E+01 copies/mL		
		tularensis	Scherm	FRAN031	3.6E+01 copies/mL		
			WY96	FRAN072	3.6E+01 copies/mL		
			Holarctica, LVS	FRAN004	3.6E+01 copies/mL		
Francisella			Holarctica	FRAN012	3.6E+01 copies/mL		
tularensis	9/9	holarctica	Holarctica, 425	FRAN029	3.6E+01 copies/mL	None	
			HD, DB082106G	FRAN035	2.3E+01 copies/mL		
			VT68	FRAN025	3.6E+01 copies/mL		
		novicida	F6168	FRAN134	3.6E+01 copies/mL		
			U112, GA993550	FRAN003	3.6E+01 copies/mL		
		Biovar	Strain				
			CO92	YERS023	1.5E+02 copies/mL		
			A1122	YERS078	4.5E+02 copies/mL		
		Orientalis	Dodson <sup>2</sup>	YERS073	3.6E+02 CFU/mL		
		Offeritalis	Java 9	YERS022	4.5E+02 copies/mL		
			PBM19	YERS018	4.5E+02 copies/mL		
Yersinia	12/12		Shasta	YERS074	4.5E+02 copies/mL	None	
Pestis			Angola	YERS080	4.5E+02 copies/mL		
		Antiqua	Antigua	YERS016	4.5E+02 copies/mL		
		7	Nairobi	YERS017	4.5E+02 copies/mL		
			Pestoides F <sup>2</sup>	YERS020	3.6E+02 CFU/mL		
			Harbin 35	YERS021	5.3E+02 copies/mL <sup>3</sup>		
		Medievalis	KIM5	YERS082	6.4E+02 copies/mL <sup>3</sup>		
			Nicholisk 41	YERS083	4.5E+02 copies/mL		
		Strain/Is					
		Makona - SL3864.1	-	Ebola027	1.1E+03 copies/mL		
Zaire ebolavirus	4/4	Mayinga (Zaire 76)		Ebola001	2.1E+03 copies/mL	None	
	., .	Gabon		Ebola034	3.2E+03 copies/mL		
		Kikwit '95		Ebola007	3.1E+03 copies/mL		
		Luebo		Ebola035	3.1E+03 copies/mL		
Lagas vierra	0/0	Josiah Masanta <sup>4</sup>		Arena002	2.4E+01 PFU/mL	Name	
Lassa virus	2/2	Macenta <sup>4</sup>		Arena009	7.2E+01 PFU/mL	None	
Morbura		Pinneo <sup>4</sup>	Strain	Arena003	7.2E+01 PFU/mL		
Marburg Marburgvirus	2/2	Lineage		Morkooo	2.6E+02.comics/	None	
iviaibuigviius		Ravn virus	RAVN	Marb002	2.6E+02 copies/mL		

Analyte	# Isolates Detected/Tested	Isolates Tested		UCC 1 ID	Concentration Detected	Limitations
			Ci67	Marb003	5.0E+02 copies/mL	
		Marburg virus	Angola	Marb005	1.5E+03 copies/mL	
			Musoke	Marb001	7.8E+02 copies/mL	
West Nile virus	1/1	Bz NY99		Flavi022	1.6E+02 copies/mL	None for West Nile Virus
(Lineage 1)	17 1	Eg101		Flavi016	4.8E+02 copies/mL	Lineage 1
		Asibi		FLAVI005	1.2E+01 copies/mL	None
		SVM 3-18-09		BEI NR-49799	1.2E+04 copies/mL	
Yellow fever virus 4/4	CAREC M2-09		BEI NR-50062	1.2E+03 copies/mL	Reduced	
		INHRR 7a-05		BEI NR-50071	1.2E+03 copies/mL	sensitivity <sup>5</sup>
		INHRR 10a-10		BEI NR-50063	1.2E+03 copies/mL	

<sup>1</sup> U.S. Department of Defense Unified Culture Collection

## Analytical Reactivity (Cross-Reactivity and Exclusivity)

The potential for non-specific amplification and detection by the GF SP Panel assays was evaluated by empirical testing of high concentrations of organisms/viruses. Organisms/viruses not available for empirical testing were evaluated by in silico analysis. On-panel organisms were tested to assess the potential for intra-panel cross-reactivity. Organisms and viruses for off-panel testing were selected based on a combination of several factors including (1) relatedness to specific species detected by the GF SP Panel (near-neighbors), (2) clinical relevance (cause illness or symptoms similar to the panel pathogens) (3) likelihood of being present in blood as a co-infection based on a geographical region or specific population to which a panel pathogen is endemic, and (4) genetic similarity to BioFire GF SP Panel assay primers, as determined by in silico analyses.

On-panel and off-panel testing included more than 217 isolates of bacteria, viruses, fungi, and protozoa evaluated at high concentrations (typically >1E+06 genomic copies/mL). **Table 23** lists the organisms and virus that showed cross-reactivity with BioFire GF SP Panel assays with results of the in silico analysis shown in the footnotes. **Table 24** lists the on-panel and off-panel organisms and viruses that showed no cross-reactivity, respectively (either observed in testing or, when not available for testing, predicted by in silico analyses).



<sup>2</sup> The *Y. pestis* bv. Orientalis Dodson and *Y. pestis* bv. Antiqua Pestoides F strains lack the pPCP plasmid targeted by the qPCR assay, and as a result the nucleic acid concentration could not be quantified. Inclusivity for these two strains was therefore based on concentrations obtained by enumeration in Colony Forming Units (CFU)/mL.

<sup>3</sup> After testing was completed, it was determined that *Y. pestis* bv. Medievalis strains Harbin35 and KIM5 were evaluated at higher than 3× the estimated LoD, at 3.5× and 4.2×, respectively.

<sup>4</sup> The Lassa virus Macenta and Pinneo strains were not detected by the qPCR assay. Therefore, inclusivity testing for Lassa virus was performed based on concentrations obtained by enumeration in Plaque Forming Units (PFU)/mL.

<sup>5</sup> YFV strains SVM 3-18-09, CAREC M2-09, NHRR 7a-05, and INHRR 10a-10 were isolated from neighboring regions (Trinidad and Venezuela). In silico analyses indicate these strains are closely related and do not represent a broad diversity of sequences. Available sequences for these strains do not contain the full target region of the assay, therefore the reduced sensitivity could not be fully investigated.

Table 23. Observed Cross-Reactivity of BioFire GF SP Panel Assays

Cross-Reactive Organism/Virus	BioFire GF SP Panel Test Result
On-Pan	iel
Plasmodium knowlesi <sup>1</sup> Plasmodium malariae <sup>2</sup>	Plasmodium vivax/ovale
Off-Pan	ıel
Francisella hispaniensis <sup>3</sup> Francisella tularensis subsp. mediasiatica <sup>4</sup>	Francisella tularensis
O'nyong-nyong virus	Chikungunya virus
Crithidia fasciculata <sup>5</sup> Leptomonas seymouri <sup>6</sup>	Leishmania spp.
Plasmodium berghei <sup>7</sup> Plasmodium brasilianum <sup>7</sup> Plasmodium cynomolgi <sup>7</sup> Plasmodium fieldi <sup>7</sup> Plasmodium fragile <sup>7</sup> Plasmodium inui <sup>7</sup> Plasmodium simiovale <sup>7</sup>	Plasmodium spp. and Plasmodium vivax/ovale

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Cross-reactive with the *Plasmodium vivax/ovale* assay at concentrations ≥2.2E+04 copies/mL (~100×LoD).

Table 24. Organisms and Viruses with No Cross-Reactivity with BioFire GF SP Panel Assays (Observed or Predicted by in silico Analysis)

ON-PANEL					
	Bacteria				
Bacillus anthracis	Leptospira interrogans				
Francisella tularensis subsp. tularensis	Yersinia pestis (2 strains: A1122 and C0	D92)			
	Viruses				
Crimean-Congo hemorrhagic fever virus	Zaire ebolavirus	Marburg marburgvirus (Musoke Strain)			
Chikungunya virus	Sudan ebolavirus	Marburg marburgvirus (Ravn Strain)			
Dengue virus Serotype 1	Bundibugyo ebolavirus	West Nile virus Lineage 1			
Dengue virus Serotype 2	Taï Forest ebolavirus	West Nile virus Lineage 2			
Dengue virus Serotype 3	Reston ebolavirus	Yellow fever virus			
Dengue virus Serotype 4	Lassa virus	Yellow level vilus			
Protozoa					
Leishmania donovani	Bloomedium vivey	Plasmodium ovale			
Plasmodium vivax Plasmodium falciparum		riasiliodiulii ovale			
OFF-PANEL					
	Bacteria				

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> In silico analysis predicts potential cross-reactivity with the *Plasmodium vivax/ovale* assay; cross-reactivity was not observed at the concentration evaluated (1.9E+05 copies/mL).

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>3</sup> Cross-reactivity was predicted by in silico analysis and observed during wet testing; *Francisella hispaniensis* is a pathogenic *Francisella* species.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>4</sup> In silico analysis predicts cross-reactivity; the potential for *Francisella tularensis* subsp. *mediasiatica* to cause disease in humans is unknown.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>5</sup> Crithidia fasciculata is a non-human infective trypanosomatid, however there have been very rare cases where a closely related *Crithidia* strain was found to be infective and act much like *Leishmania* spp.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>6</sup> Leptomonas seymouri is an opportunistic parasite in immunocompromised individuals, particularly those infected with visceral leishmaniasis.

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>7</sup> *Plasmodium* spp. that typically infect non-human primates and rodents but are rarely found in humans.

	Tested				
Acinetobacter baumannii	Enterococcus faecium	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica			
	Francisella persica (formerly	serovar Newport  Salmonella enterica subs. enterica			
Bacillus brevis	Wolbachia persica)	serovar Rubislaw			
Bacillus cereus	Francisella philomiragia (formerly Yersinia)	Salmonella enterica susb. enterica serovar Saintpaul			
Bacillus circulans	Klebsiella oxytoca	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Tennessee			
Bacillus coagulans	Legionella pneumophila	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Thompson			
Bacillus halodurans	Leptospira biflexa	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Typhimurium			
Bacillus licheniformis	Leptospira meyeri	Salmonella enterica subs. houtenae			
Bacillus megaterium	Leptospira terpstrae genomospecies 4	Salmonella enterica subs. indica			
Bacillus mycoides	Leptospira vanthielii genomospecies 3	Salmonella enterica subs. salamae			
Bacillus pumilus	Leptospira wolbachii	Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica Paratyphi A			
Bacillus subtilis	Leptospira yanagawae genomospecies 5	Salmonella enterica subsp. enterica Typhi			
Bacillus thuringiensis	Listeria monocytogenes	Serratia marcescens			
Bacteroides fragilis	Mycobacterium tuberculosis	Staphylococcus aureus			
Bordetella bronchiseptica	Mycoplasma pneumoniae	Streptococcus agalactiae			
Borrelia burgdorferi	Neisseria meningitidis	Streptococcus pneumoniae			
Brucella melitensis	Orientia chuto (tsutsugamushi)	Streptococcus pyogenes			
Burkholderia cepacia	Proteus mirabilis	Treponema pallidum pallidum			
Burkholderia mallei	Pseudomonas aeruginosa	Vibrio cholerae			
Burkholderia pseudomallei	Rickettsia prowazekii	Yersinia aldovae			
Chlamydophila pneumoniae	Rickettsia ricketsii	Yersinia bercovieri			
Chlamydophila psittaci	Rickettsia typhi	Yersinia entericolitica			
Citrobacter koseri	Salmonella enterica subs.bongori	Yersinia fredericksenii			
Clostridium bifermentans	Salmonella enterica subs. arizonae	Yersinia intermedia			
Clostridium botulinum/sporogenes	Salmonella enterica subs. diarizoniae	Yersinia kristensenii			
Clostridium perfringens	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Enteritidis	Yersinia mollaretii			
Clostridium sordellii	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Heidelberg	Yersinia pseudotuberculosis			
Coxiella burnetii	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Javiana	Yersinia rohdei			
Enterobacter aerogenes	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Montevideo	Yersinia ruckeri			
Enterococcus faecalis	Salmonella enterica subs. enterica serovar Muenchen	Yersinia similis			
	<i>In silico</i> Analysis Only				
Bacillus luciferensis					
	Viruses				
	Tested				
Adenovirus 1	HPIV-1	Omsk hemorrhagic fever			
Adenovirus 3	HPIV-3	Parvovirus			
Adenovirus 5	Hughes virus	Powassan virus			

Human herpesvirus 6B	Rabies virus				
Human immunodeficiency virus, type 1	Rift Valley fever virus				
Human immunodeficiency virus, type 2	Ross River virus				
Human respiratory syncytial virus	Rubella virus				
Human T-lymphotropic virus, type 1	SARS-CoV-2				
Human T-lymphotropic virus, type 2	Saint Louis encephalitis virus				
Influenza A H1N1-2009	Semliki Forest virus				
Influenza A H3N2	Sindbis virus				
Influenza B virus	Spondweni virus				
Japanese encephalitis virus	Tickborne encephalitis virus				
Junin virus (2 strains: XJ and Candid)	Tonate virus				
Machupo virus	Una virus				
Mayaro virus	Usutu virus				
Measles virus	Vaccinia virus				
Metapneumovirus	Varicella zoster virus				
Middelburg virus	Venezuelan equine encephalomyelitis virus				
Mopeia virus	Western equine encephalomyelitis				
Mumps virus	Zika virus				
Murray Valley encephalitis virus	Zira viius				
<i>In silico</i> Analysis Only					
Lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus	Sabia virus (Brazilian hemorrhagic fever)				
Pirital virus	Variola major				
Protozoa					
Tested					
Toxoplasma gondii	Trypanosoma cruzi				
Trypanosoma brucei	Trypanosoma rangeli				
Fungus					
Tested					
Cryptococcus neoformans var. grubii					
Helminths					
Tested					
	Human immunodeficiency virus, type 1 Human immunodeficiency virus, type 2 Human respiratory syncytial virus Human T-lymphotropic virus, type 1 Human T-lymphotropic virus, type 2 Influenza A H1N1-2009 Influenza A H3N2 Influenza B virus Japanese encephalitis virus Junin virus (2 strains: XJ and Candid) Machupo virus Mayaro virus Measles virus Metapneumovirus Middelburg virus Mopeia virus Mumps virus Murray Valley encephalitis virus In silico Analysis Only Lymphocytic choriomeningitis virus Protozoa Tested Toxoplasma gondii Trypanosoma brucei Fungus Tested Cryptococcus neoformans var. grubii Helminths				

## Reproducibility

Reproducibility testing was performed with contrived whole blood samples over multiple days at three sites using the BioFire FilmArray 2.0 system. The testing incorporated a range of potential variation introduced by operator, instrument, analyte concentration, and reagent lot for a total of 90 replicates for each analyte concentration distributed equally over three sites.

Three contrived whole blood samples were prepared with different mixtures of six representative panel analytes, two bacteria, two viruses, and two protozoa. For each analyte, one sample was spiked at a Moderate Positive (3×LoD) level, another sample at a Low Positive (1×LoD) level, and the third sample was not spiked (negative).

A summary of results (percent (%) agreement with the expected Detected or Not Detected result) for the analytes by site is provided in **Table 25**.

Table 25. Reproducibility of BioFire GF SP Panel Test on BioFire FilmArray 2.0 Systems

Analyte (Source / ID)	Concentration Tested	Expected Result	Detection Rate (n/N) % Agreement with Expected Result [95% Confidence Interval]				
,	(copies/mL)		Site 1	Site 2	Site 3	All Sites	
	Moderate Positive 3× LoD (1.0E+03)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9- 100%]	
Leptospira interrogans serovar icterohaemorrhagiae	Low Positive 1× LoD (3.4E+02)	Detected	27/30 90.0%	28/30 93.3%	26/30 86.7%	<b>81/90</b> <b>90.0%</b> [82.1- 94.6%]	
(ATTC / 23581)	Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9- 100%]	
	Moderate Positive 3× LoD (1.0E+03)	Detected	29/30 96.7%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>89/90</b> <b>98.9%</b> [94.0- 99.8%]	
Dengue virus DENV-2 New Guinea C	Low Positive 1× LoD (3.4E+02)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9- 100%]	
(Zeptometrix / 0810089CF)	Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9- 100%]	

Analyte (Source / ID)		Concentration Tested	Expected Result	% Ag	reement witl	Rate (n/N) h Expected F ence Interval	
		(copies/mL)		Site 1	Site 2	Site 3	All Sites
Leishmania donovani 1S (MHOM/SD/62/1S) (BEI / NR-48821)		Moderate Positive 3.4× LoD <sup>1</sup> (3.4E+01)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9- 100%]
		Low Positive 1.1× LoD <sup>1</sup> (1.1E+01)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9- 100%]
,	(DL17 NN-40021)		Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9- 100%]
	Plasmodium	Moderate Positive 1.5× LoD <sup>2</sup> (2.7E+02)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9- 100%]
	petection Results  Plasmodium falciparum  Detection Results	Low Positive 0.5× LoD <sup>2</sup> (9.0E+01)	Detected	28/30 93.3%	30/30 100%	29/30 96.7%	<b>87/90</b> <b>96.7%</b> [90.7- 98.9%]
Plasmodium falciparum		Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9- 100%]
(BEI / MRA- 1238)		Moderate Positive 1.5× LoD <sup>2</sup> (2.7E+02)	Detected	29/30 96.7%	30/30 100%	28/30 93.3%	<b>87/90</b> <b>96.7%</b> [90.7- 98.9%]
		Low Positive 0.5× LoD <sup>2</sup> (9.0E+01)	Detected	18/30 60.0%	24/30 80.0%	21/30 70.0%	<b>63/90</b> <b>70.0%</b> [59.9- 78.5%]
		Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9- 100%]
	Overall Agreement with Expected Result		All Results		96.	/ <b>1350</b> <b>8%</b> 97.2%]	

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup> Due to a correction in the stock concentration, *L. donovani* was evaluated at 3.4×LoD and 1.1×LoD.



<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>2</sup> Due to a correction in the stock concentration, *P. falciparum* was evaluated at 1.5×LoD and 0.5×LoD.

# Reproducibility Comparison of BioFire FilmArray 2.0 and BioFire FilmArray Torch Systems

Performance of the BioFire GF SP Panel was compared between the BioFire FilmArray 2.0 and BioFire FilmArray Torch systems by comparing analyte detection for the same contrived whole blood samples. The testing incorporated a range of potential variation introduced by operator, instrument system, analyte concentration, and reagent lot for a total of 90 replicates for each analyte concentration distributed equally over three BioFire FilmArray 2.0 systems and three BioFire FilmArray Torch systems.

A summary of results (percent (%) agreement with the expected Detected or Not Detected result) for the analytes by site is provided in **Table 26**.

**NOTE:** All other performance evaluations were performed using the BioFire FilmArray 2.0 system. Performance of the BioFire GF SP Panel when using the BioFire FilmArray Torch system was comparable to the BioFire FilmArray 2.0 system.

Table 26. Reproducibility of BioFire GF SP Panel Test Results on BioFire FilmArray 2.0 and BioFire FilmArray Torch

	Concentration		Detection Rate (n/N) % Agreement with Expected Result								
Analyte	Tested	Tested Expected			y 2.0 Plat	tform	F	FilmArray Torch Platform			
(Source / ID)	(copies/mL)	Result	System 1	System 2	System 3	All FA 2.0 Systems [95% CI]	System 1	System 2	System 3	All FA Torch Systems [95% CI]	
Leptospira interrogans	Moderate Positive 3×LoD (1.0E+03)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	
serovar icterohaemorrhagiae	Low Positive 1×LoD (3.4E+02)	Detected	29/30 96.7%	29/30 96.7%	28/30 93.3%	<b>86/90</b> <b>95.6%</b> [89.1-98.3%]	29/30 96.7%	28/30 93.3%	28/30 93.3%	<b>85/90</b> <b>94.4%</b> [87.6-97.6%]	
(ATTC / 23581)	Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	
Dengue virus	Moderate Positive 3×LoD (1.0E+03)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	
<b>DENV-2</b> New Guinea C	Low Positive 1×LoD (3.4E+02)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	29/30 96.7%	30/30 100%	<b>89/90</b> <b>98.9%</b> [94.0-99.8%]	
(Zeptometrix / 0810089CF)	Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	29/30 96.7%	<b>89/90</b> <b>98.9%</b> [94.0-99.8%]	
Leishmania donovani 1S (MHOM/SD/62/1S)	Moderate Positive 3×LoD (3.0E+01)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	
	Low Positive 1×LoD (1.0E+01)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	
(BEI / NR-48821)	Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9-100%]	

		Concentration		Detection Rate (n/N) % Agreement with Expected Result							
Ana	•	Tested	Expected		FilmArra	y 2.0 Plat	tform	F	ilmArray	/ Torch P	latform
(Source / ID)		(copies/mL)	Result	System 1	System 2	System 3	All FA 2.0 Systems [95% CI]	System 1	System 2	System 3	All FA Torch Systems [95% CI]
	Plasmodiu	Moderate Positive 3×LoD (5.4E+02)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9-100%]
Detection	m spp.  Detection Results	Low Positive 1×LoD (1.8E+02)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]
	7	Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	<b>90/90</b> <b>100%</b> [95.9-100%]
(BEI / MRA- 1238)	Plasmodiu m	Moderate Positive 3×LoD (5.4E+02)	Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	29/30 96.7%	30/30 100%	<b>89/90</b> <b>98.9%</b> [94.0-99.8%]
	falciparum  Detection Results	Low Positive 1×LoD (1.8E+02)	Detected	30/30 100%	28/30 93.3%	29/30 96.7%	<b>87/90</b> <b>96.7%</b> [90.7-98.9%]	30/30 100%	28/30 93.3%	28/30 93.3%	<b>86/90</b> <b>95.6%</b> [89.1-98.3%]
	- 1334.13	Negative (No Analyte)	Not Detected	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	30/30 100%	90/90 100% [95.9-100%]
Overall Agreement with Expected Result All Concentrations		All Concentrations	All Results	1343/1350 99.5% [98.9-99.8%]			1338/1350 99.1% [98.4-99.5%]				

Abbreviations: FA – FilmArray; 95% CI – 95% Confidence Interval

#### Interference

Potentially interfering substances were selected based upon whether the substance may normally be found in blood or may be introduced into blood specimens during collection, handling, or testing. These substances included; (i) endogenous substances native to blood that may vary in concentration as a result of normal or disease physiology, (ii) exogenous substances that may be found in a blood sample as a consequence of therapeutic intervention or ingestion, (iii) microorganisms that may be present as co-infections or that may be unintentionally introduced into samples, and (iv) technique specific substances that may be introduced into a sample during routine laboratory handling. The technique specific substances evaluated included blood collection tubes containing a variety of anticoagulants.

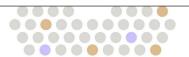
Potential interference of substances on the control assays and analyte detection test results was evaluated by comparing BioFire GF SP Panel test results from a control blood sample, containing representative panel analytes at concentrations near (approximately 3×) LoD, to results from a sample with the same analyte composition plus a test substance. In addition, a negative sample (no analytes) containing only the test substance was evaluated for the potential to result in false positives.

A summary of substances tested and whether interference was observed is provided in **Table 27**. Potential interference with analyte detection was only observed for heparin and TRIzol when testing analytes at near-LoD concentrations. Overall, based on acceptance criteria of this study, no other substance tested showed interference with performance of the BioFire GF SP Panel at the concentration tested.

Table 27. Evaluation of Potentially Interfering Substances on the BioFire GF SP Panel

Potentially Interfering Substance	Concentration Tested	Results					
Endogenous Substances							
Albumin	60.0 mg/mL	No interference					
Bilirubin (Conjugated)	0.41 mg/mL	No interference					
Bilirubin (Unconjugated)	0.41 mg/mL	No interference					
Cholesterol (total)	4.2 mg/mL	No interference					
Glucose	10.1 mg/mL	No interference					
Hemoglobin	137.0 mg/mL	No interference					
Immunoglobulins	60.0 mg/mL	No interference					
Triglycerides	15.1 mg/mL	No interference					
White Blood Cells	6.1E+06 cells/mL	No interference					
	Exogenous Substances						
Artemether-Lumefantrine	0.0004 mg/mL	No interference					
Atovaquone	0.005 mg/mL	No interference					
Proguanil	0.001 mg/mL	No interference					
Mefloquine	0.0017 mg/mL	No interference					
Amphotericin B	0.002 mg/mL	No interference					
Pentamidine	0.0015 mg/mL	No interference					
Fluconazole	0.026 mg/mL	No interference					
Amoxicillin	0.062 mg/mL	No interference					
Azithromycin	0.011 mg/mL	No interference					
Ceftriaxone	1.0 mg/mL	No interference					
Ciprofloxacin	0.012 mg/mL	No interference					
Clindamycin	0.055 mg/mL	No interference					
Doxycycline	0.02 mg/mL	No interference					
Gentamicin	0.036 mg/mL	No interference					
Meropenem	0.39 mg/mL	No interference					

Potentially Interfering Substance	Concentration Tested	Results
Sulfamethoxazole	0.38 mg/mL	No interference
Vancomycin	0.12 mg/mL	No interference
Cycloserine	75.0 mg/mL	No interference
Isoniazid	0.06 mg/mL	No interference
Oseltamivir	0.0005 mg/mL	No interference
Ribavirin	0.011 mg/mL	No interference
Tenofovir	0.001 mg/mL	No interference
Acetaminophen	0.16 mg/mL	No interference
Aspirin (Acetylsalicylic Acid)	0.03 mg/mL	No interference
Ibuprofen	0.22 mg/mL	No interference
Prednisone	0.0001 mg/mL	No interference
Prednisolone	1.2 mg/mL	No interference
Cortisone	0.001 mg/mL	No interference
Artesunate	0.1 mg/mL	No interference
	Competitive Microorganisms	
Corynebacterium diphtheriae	1:10 of Stock	No interference
Staphylococcus epidermidis	3.8E+06 CFU/mL	No interference
Escherichia coli	1:10 of Stock	No interference
Klebsiella pneumoniae	5.5E+04 CFU/mL	No interference
Haemophilus influenzae	1.0E+08 CFU/mL	No interference
Herpes Simplex virus	1.2E+05 PFU/mL	No interference
Epstein-Barr virus	3.3E+07 copies/mL	No interference
Cytomegalovirus (CMV) AD-169	1:10 of Stock	No interference
Human Immunodeficiency virus (HIV- 1 and HIV-2)	1:10 of Stocks	No interference
Plasmodium vivax	1.5E+06 copies/mL	No interference
	Technique Specific Substances	
Bleach	1% v/v	No interference
Povidone-iodine	1% v/v	No interference
Acetone	2% v/v	No interference
Ethanol	2% v/v	No interference
TRIzol	2-3% v/v	Potentially Interfering
DMSO	2% v/v	No interference
Methanol	2% v/v	No interference
Saline	2% v/v	No interference
Chloroform	2% v/v	No interference
Hydrochloric Acid (HCI)	0.0005N	No interference
, ,	Blood Collection Tubes	
Citrate (sodium)	~0.32%	No interference
EDTA in excess (5x)	~9.0 mg/mL	No interference
Heparin	~19.0 USP/mL	Potentially Interfering
Acid-citrate-dextrose (ACD)	2.2mg/mL (trisodium citrate) 0.8 mg/mL (citric acid) 2.5 mg/mL (dextrose)	No interference
Sodium polyanethenole sulfonate (SPS)	0.72 mg/mL	No interference
Serum Separation Tubes	N/A	No interference



## **APPENDIX A**

## **Symbols Glossary**

The following symbols can be found on labeling for the BioFire FilmArray 2.0, BioFire FilmArray Torch, BioFire GF SP Panel kits, kit components, and throughout accompanying packaging.

	ISO 15223-1 Graphical symbols for use on equipment – Registered Symbols						
5.1.1	•••	Manufacturer	5.1.4	Use-By date (YYYY-MM-DD)	5.1.5	Batch Code (Lot Number)	
5.1.6	REF	Catalog Numbe	5.1.7 SN	Serial Number	5.2.8	Do Not Use if Package Is Damaged	
5.3.2	**	Keep Away froi Sunlight	m <b>5.3.7</b>	Temperature Limit	5.4.2	Do not re-use	
5.4.3	i	Consult Instruction for Use	5.5.1 <b>IVD</b>	In vitro Diagnostic Medical Device	5.5.5 \\ \sum_n	Contains sufficient for <n> tests</n>	
	United Natio	ns Globally Harm	onized System of Classifi	cation and Labeling of	chemicals (GHS) (ST/	/SG/AC.10/30)	
•		Serious eye dama Category 1	age,	Acute aquatic hazard, Category 1 & Long- term aquatic hazard, Category 1	<b>(1)</b>	Acute toxicity, oral, Category 4 & Skin corrosion, irritation, Category 2	
	Use of Symbols in Labeling – 81 FR 38911, Docket No. (FDA-2013-N-0125)						
	<b>R</b> <sub>X</sub> Oni	ly	CAUTION: Federal law res	Prescription Us tricts this device to sale practitione	by or on the order of a	licensed healthcare	
	Manufacturer Symbols (BioFire Defense, LLC)						
	BioFire Defense Logo			SP	BioFire Global Fever Par		

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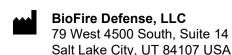
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