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# **Test Item Information Sheet (TIIS)**

#### "RNA Quantification and Purity" Scheme [RNAQ25]

This sheet contains all the information on **RNA Test Items** that you should be aware of to conduct the above mentioned Scheme. Please read carefully before performing any operation and/or test on the provided samples.

#### Test Items Description

- <u>Source material</u>: Jurkat cell line.
- <u>Method of preparation</u>: RNA extracted by a silica-based method.
- <u>Medium</u>: Nuclease-free water.
- Date of preparation and any lot number (if applicable): July-August 2025.
- <u>Biological hazard</u>: The source material is BSL 1.
- <u>Biosafety level</u>: All operations have been conducted in a BSL 2 environment.
- <u>Method used for value assignment</u>: Consensus mean from Participants.
- <u>Homogeneity and Stability information</u>: Homogeneity and stability of the Test Items will be controlled from July to August 2025 to be compliant with the requirements of *The International harmonized protocol for the proficiency testing of analytical chemistry laboratories*, IUPAC technical report.

## Instructions to Prepare the Test Items for Testing

- <u>Processing required of Test Item:</u> No processing is required at receipt of Test Item.
- <u>Any storage requirement between receipt and testing date:</u> Store at **-80°C**. Testing should be performed within 1 week of receipt.
- <u>Required temperature to perform the testing</u>: Room temperature (18-24°C).
- <u>Any step required/recommended for testing</u>: Dilution may be required for certain Test Items (this will have to be determined by the participant laboratory).

If you plan to report results under the **Unchained Labs Lunatic** (previsously Trinean spectrophotomer with cDROP Software), please ensure you have correct software protocol on your computer. Please contact to request the protocol at <u>support@unchainedlabs.com</u>.

• <u>Any factor that may impact the testing negatively:</u> Prolonged light exposure of reagents; DNA contamination of Test Item; Organic component contamination of Test Item; Prolonged exposure to room temperature of Test Item.

## Particular Handling/Safety Requirements

- <u>Potential risks of Test Item:</u> Exempt of infectious risk.
- Individual protection equipment required: Standard laboratory (laboratory coat, gloves).
- In case of puncture or cuts: Wash thoroughly with water and then disinfect during 10 minutes.
- In case of contact with the eye: Wash thoroughly with water or physiologic serum during 5 minutes.
- In case of contact with the mucus membranes and skin: Wash thoroughly with water.
- <u>Measures to take in case of accidental spillage:</u> Use disinfectant and thoroughly clean the effected surface.



• <u>Waste elimination procedures:</u> Waste generated by healthcare activities, to eliminate in incinerable plastic containers.

#### **Schemes Specifications**

- For each Test Item (Tube A, Tube B and Tube C): Please measure RNA concentration (ng/µl) and RNA 260/280 ratio (if your method allows).
- <u>How to test your samples</u>: Please test the Test Items following your **usual routine testing method**.
- You will be asked to report your results under the following methods: **Spectrophotometry**, **Spectrofluorimetry**, **Microfluidic Electrophoresis**, **Lunatic** (previously Trinean spectrophotometer) and **Other**.
- Please be ready to enter the <u>following additional information</u> while reporting your results:
  - <u>Spectrophotometry</u>: Type of instrument, measurement container/format (plastic cuvette, quartz cuvette, microspot, microplate or other).
  - <u>Spectrofluorimetry</u>: Type of instrument, measurement container/format (cuvette, microplate, tube, other), fluorochrome (Ribogreen, Other), wavelength excitation (502 nm, other), wavelength emission (523 nm, other).
  - <u>Microfluidic Electrophoresis</u>: Type of instrument (Agilent Bioanalyzer, Biorad Experion, PerkinElmer Labchip GX, QIAGEN QIAxcel, other), type of chip.
  - <u>Lunatic</u>: Type of container (DropPlate S, DropPlate D+, other).
  - <u>Other</u>: Type of instrument, Method.
  - Please enter information on the <u>dilution</u> used (for each Test Item).
  - Equipment performance verification: Please enter information on the frequency of verification runs and the last verification date and results.

#### What and How to Submit

- For each Test Item, **you can perform the assay more than once per method** (according to your selected routine method), and submit more than one test results.
- Your results must be submitted online to the PT website <a href="http://biospecimenpt.ibbl.lu/">http://biospecimenpt.ibbl.lu/</a> by employing the login credentials (User email and Password) used to create your account on the aforementioned PT platform.
- Please complete the questionnaire of the RNAQ25 PT scheme as accurately as possible, adding any relevant detail and comment in the appropriate comment section.

#### Timelines

Results submission	Data analysis & Report preparation	Reports available
17 NOV 2025, <u>latest</u>	20 NOV 2025– 31 JAN 2026	March 2026

In case of doubts in the completion phase, please contact LIH/IBBL at ISBERPT@lih.lu