

Supplementary information to

# Digital Microfluidic RT-qPCR Cartridge for Detection of SARS-CoV-2 and Discrimination of Delta and Omicron Variants

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**Table S1.** Primers and probes used in this study.

Primer/probe name	Sequence (5'-3')	Amplicon size
2019-nCoV_N1-F	GACCCCAAAATCAGCGAAAT	72 bp
2019-nCoV_N1-R	TCTGGTTACTGCCAGTTGAATCTG	
2019-nCoV_N1-P	FAM-ACCCCGCATTACGTTTGGTGGACC	
SARS2-dF	CCACAAAAACAACAAAAGTTGG	78 bp for Delta
SARS2-dR	TGAGAGACATATTCAAAAGTGCAA	84 bp for non-Delta
SARS2-dPr	FAM-ATAAACTCCACTTTCCA-MGB	
SARS2-wPr	AGAATAAACTCTGAACTCACTTTCCATCC	
OmN-F	GGACCCTCAGATTCAACTGG	86 bp for Omicron
OmN-R	GCAGTATTATTGGGTAAACCTTGG	95 bp for non-Omicron
OmNm-Pr	FAM-ATCGCGCCCCACCATTCT	
OmNw-Pr	CGCCCCACTGCGTTCTCC	
18S-F	GGAGTATGGTTGCAAAGCTGA	100 bp
18S-R	GGTGAGGTTTCCCGTGTTG	
18S-Pr	FAM-AAGGAATTGACGGAAGGGCA	

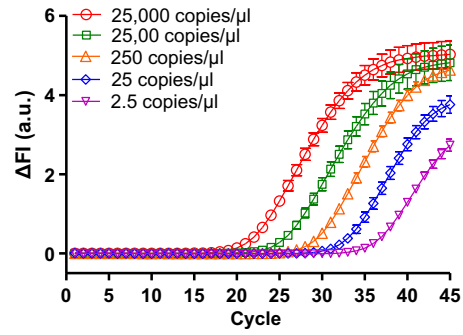
**Table S2.** RT-qPCR reaction mix solutions for detection and discrimination of SARS-CoV-2 wildtype, Delta variant, and Omicron variant.

Droplet (1.5 µl)		A	B	C	D	E
Target Gene		N1	Delta	Omicron	18S	NTC
RT-qPCR Component		Volume (µl)				
TaqPath™ 1-Step RT-qPCR Master Mix (4X)		5	5	5	5	5
Nuclease free water w/ 0.4% (v/v) tween-20		5	5	5	5	5
Nuclease free water		3	2.5	2.25	3	0.75
N1	N1 Primer mix (10 µM)	1	0	0	0	1
	N1-P (10 µM, FAM)	1	0	0	0	1
Delta	SARS2-d Primer mix (10 µM)	0	1	0	0	1
	SARS2-dPr (10 µM, FAM)	0	0.5	0	0	0.5
	SARS2-wPr (15 µM)	0	1	0	0	1
Omicron	OmN Primer mix (10 µM)	0	0	1	0	1
	OmNm-Pr (10 µM, FAM)	0	0	0.75	0	0.75
	OmNw-Pr (15 µM)	0	0	1	0	1
18S	18S Primer mix (10 µM)	0	0	0	1	1
	18S-Pr (10 µM, FAM)	0	0	0	1	1
Sample	SARS-CoV-2 RNA (WT, Delta, or Omicron, 80 copies/µl)	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	0
	18S rDNA (7.44 pg/µl)	2.5	2.5	2.5	2.5	0
Total volume		20	20	20	20	20

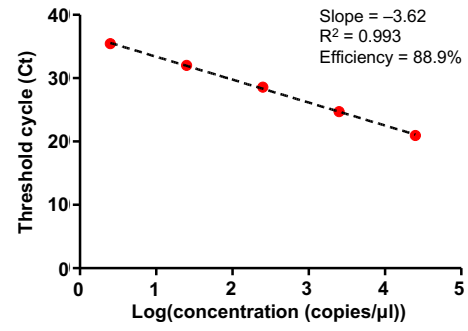
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TaqPath™ 1-Step RT-qPCR Master Mix (4X)	5
Nuclease free water w/ 0.4% (v/v) tween-20	5
Nuclease free water	3.25
OmN Primer mix (10 μM)	1
OmNm-Pr (10 μM, FAM)	0.75
Omicron RNA Template (100,000 copies/μl to 10 copies/μl)	5
<b>Total</b>	<b>20</b>

**(a) Omicron gene**

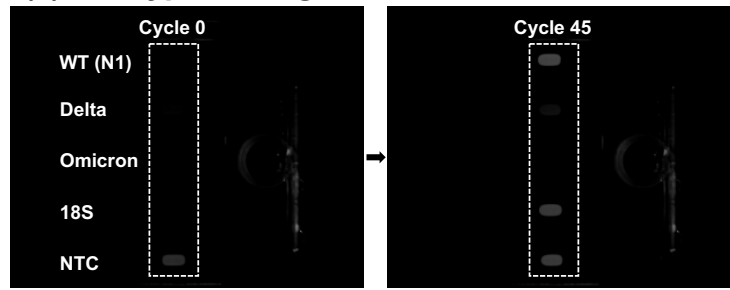


**(b) Omicron gene standard curve**

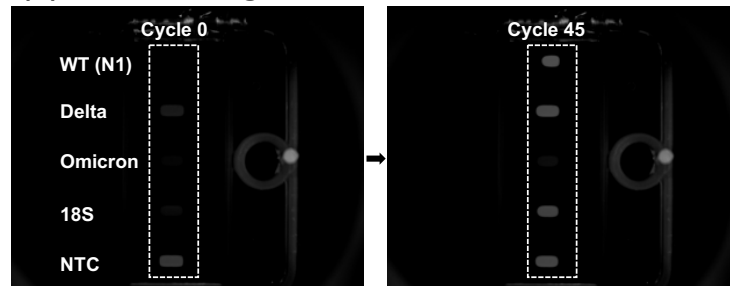


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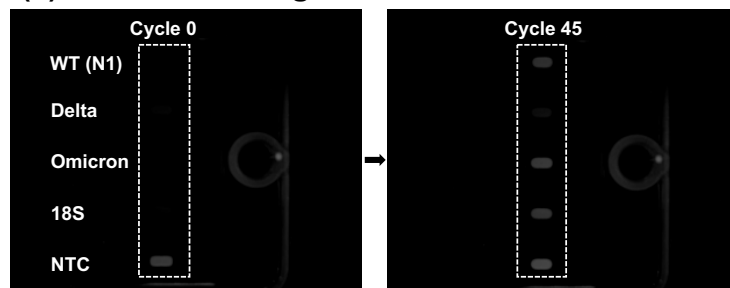
**(a) Wildtype Analog**



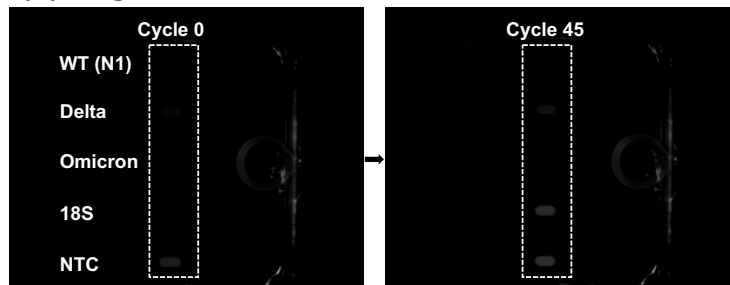
**(b) Delta Analog**



**(c) Omicron Analog**

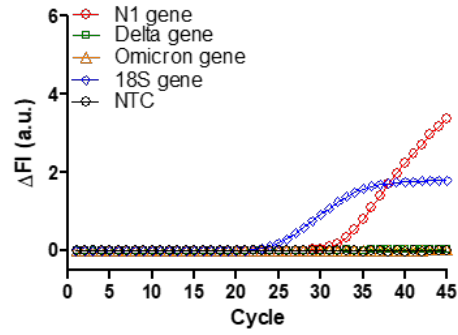


**(d) Negative**

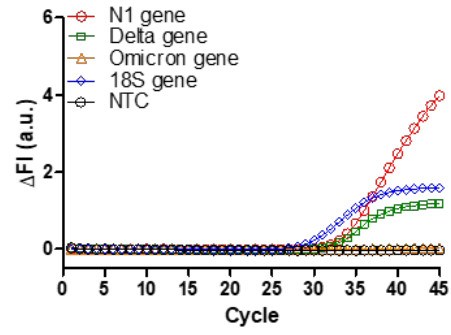


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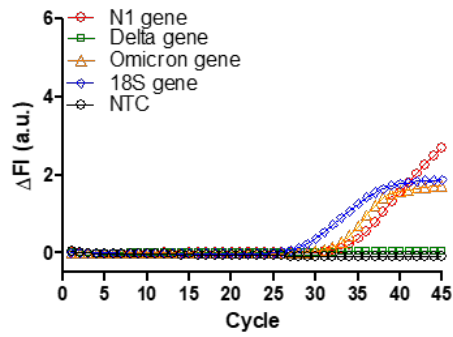
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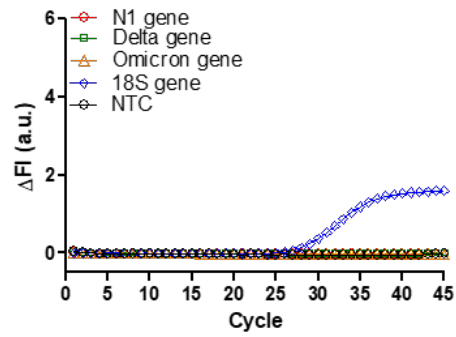
**(b) Delta analog**



**(c) Omicron analog**



**(d) Negative**



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