

Point-of-care testing

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Point-of-care testing

> 20 definitions (Pai 2008)

POCT

NPT near patient testing

BT bedside testing

Fast? 3 min – 30 mins

Diagnosis, monitoring...

Self-testing

PST patient self-testing



Point-of-care testing

Rapid Diagnostic Test

Malaria

Low-resource setting

Central-Africa
(DR Congo)



Malaria RDTs: “role model” for other in-vitro diagnostics (IVDs)

(Platform and principle)

Production and Market mechanisms

ISO 14385 meets ISO 15189

In-vitro diagnostics: regulatory issues

Transport, shipment

Barriers

End-user friendliness

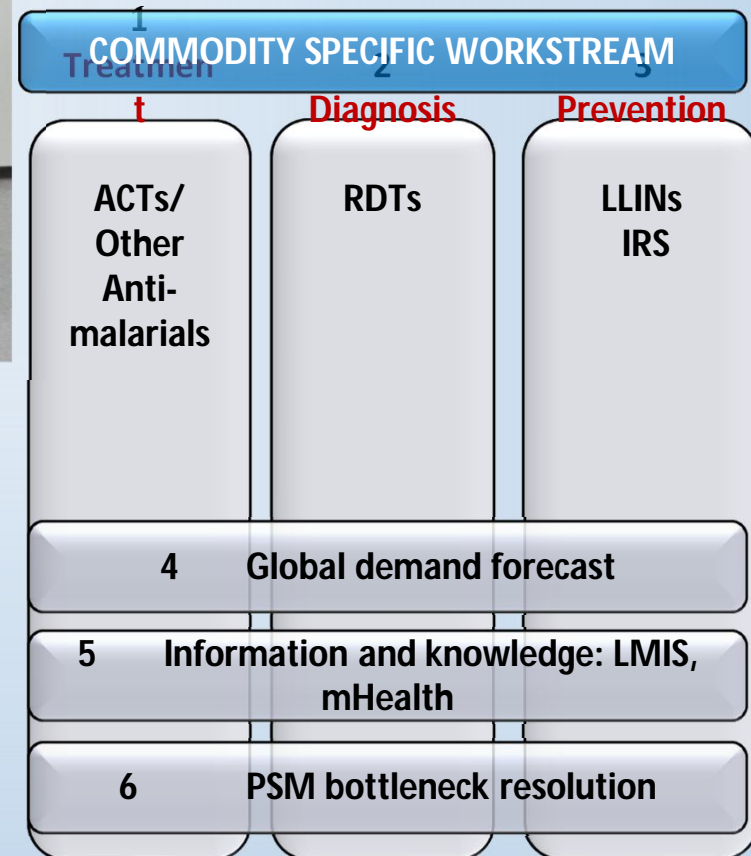
End-user errors

Experiences/lessons learned

Introduction of other RDTs



WHO prequalification & Site Inspections , Roll Back Malaria: diagnostic workstream supply



**CROSS CUTTING
WORKSTREAMS**



About malaria

Endemic areas (2012)

3.400.000.000 people at risk

104 countries

207.000.000 cases/yr

627.000 deaths (< 5 years old, Africa)

Travel Medicine

10.000/yr (but may be 30.000/yr)

Case-fatality 0.6 -3.8%

60% of diagnosis > office-hours

Visiting friends and relatives, refugees



The global burden of malaria is decreasing

Endemic areas (2006)

109 countries

247.000.000 cases/yr

881.000 deaths



Control

Pre-elimination (Zanzibar, Rwanda)

Elimination

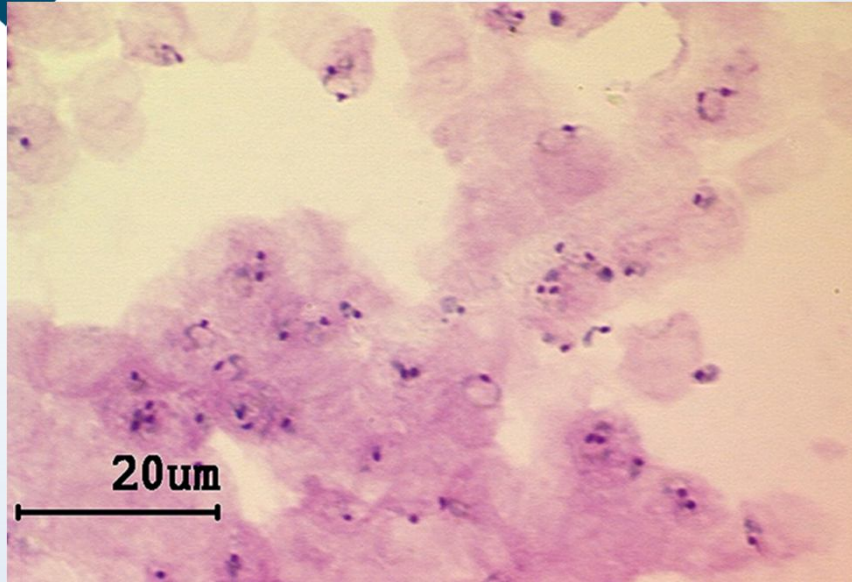
LLIN = long lasting insecticide-treated bed nets

IRIS = indoor residual spraying

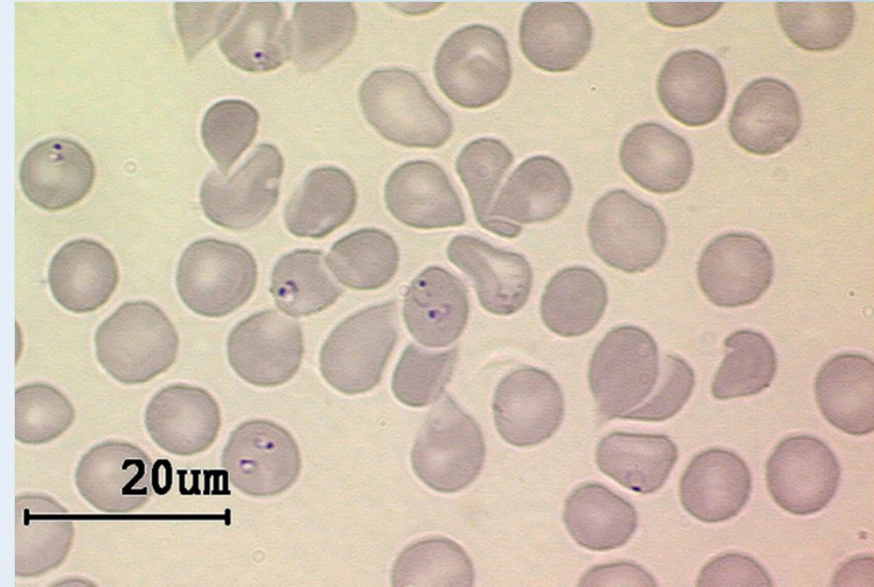
ACT = artemisinin-based combination therapy



Thick film



Thin film

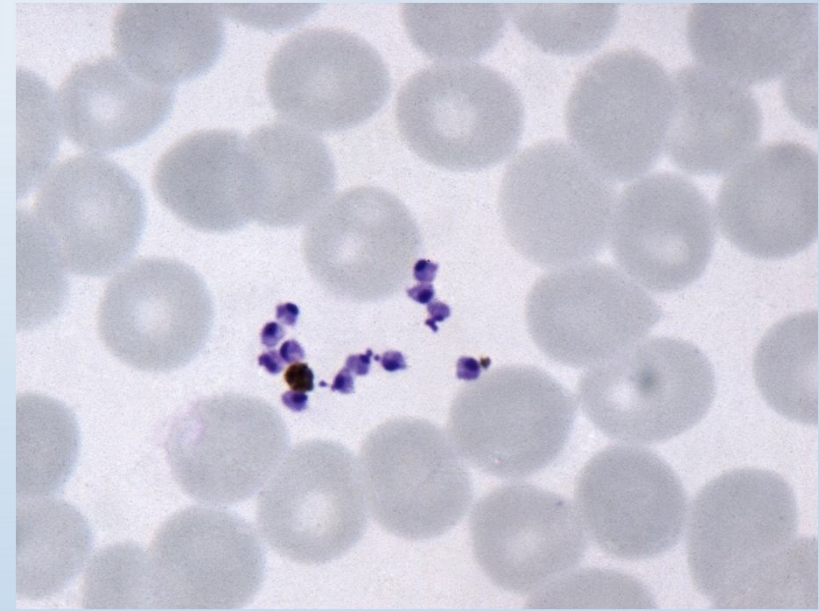
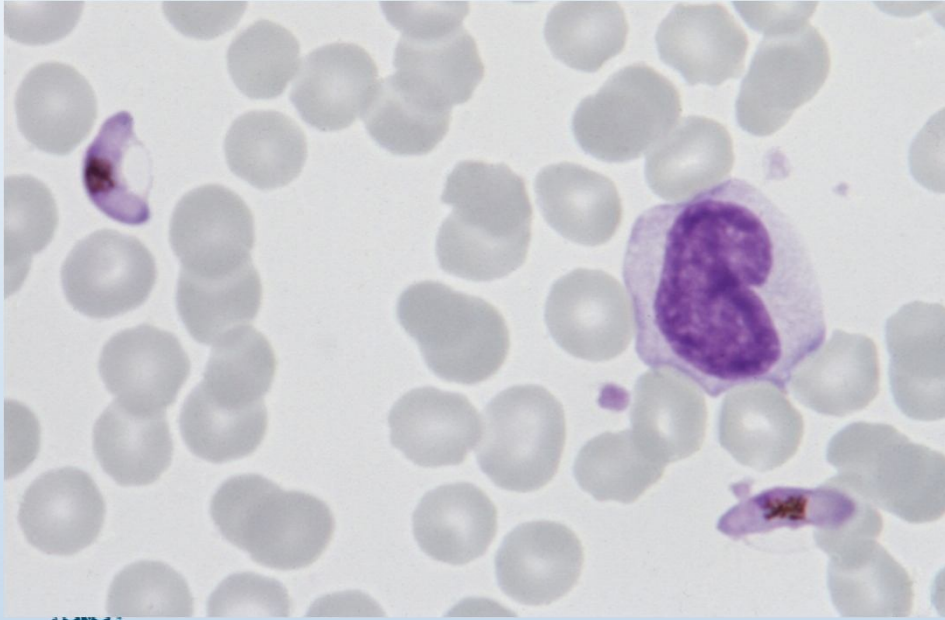
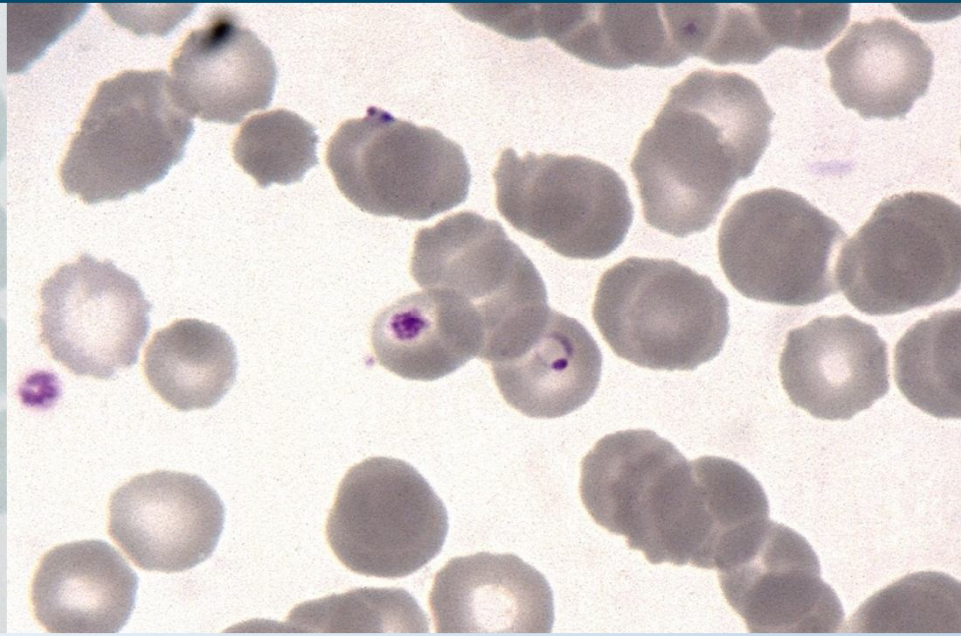
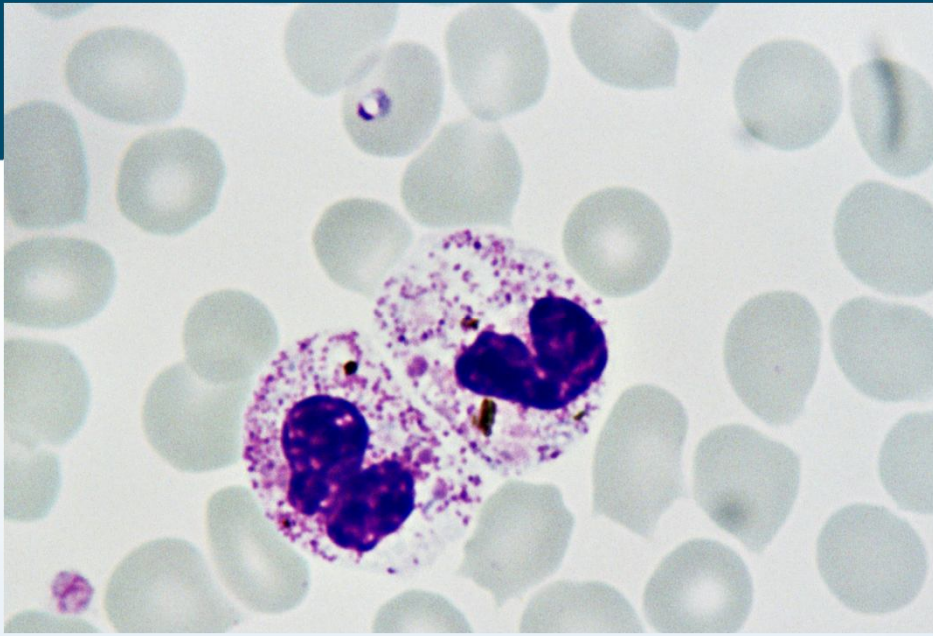


- Parasite detection.
- Quantification [parasitaemia / μ l of blood].

- Species/Stages
- Quantification [% infected RBC].

50.000/ μ l = 1% of Red Blood Cells
100/ μ l = 0.002% of RBC





About malaria diagnosis...



Detection limit

- Expert 50/ μ l
- Routine 500/ μ l
- Field?

Microscope

- Power?
- Dust !
- Maintenance...





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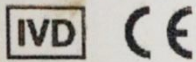
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500 ml

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1 l = 0,99 kg

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Microscopy

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Giemsa's azur eosin methylene blue solution
for microscopy
(contains methanol)

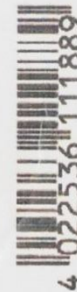
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Giemsa soluzione azur-eosina-blu di metilene
per microscopia
(contiene Metanolo)

Azur-eosina-azul de metileno según Giemsa
en solución

para microscopia
(contiene Metanol)



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Highly flammable. Toxic by inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. Toxic: danger of very serious irreversible effects through inhalation, in contact with skin and if swallowed. * Keep container tightly closed. Keep away from sources of ignition - No smoking. Wear suitable protective clothing and gloves. In case of accident or if you feel unwell, seek medical advice immediately (show the label where possible).

Facilmente inflamabile. Tossico per inalazione, per contatto con la pelle e per ingestione. Tossico: pericolo di effetti irreversibili très graves par inhalation, par contact avec la peau et par ingestion. * Conservare il recipiente ben chiuso. Conservare lontano da fiamme e scintille - Non fumare. Usare indumenti protettivi e guanti adatti. In caso di incidente o di malessere consultare immediatamente il medico (se possibile, mostrargli l'etichetta).

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Quality of stain

Mukadi et al. *Malaria Journal* 2011, 10:308
<http://www.malariajournal.com/content/10/1/308>



RESEARCH

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External quality assessment of malaria microscopy in the Democratic Republic of the Congo

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| | |
|---|-------------|
| Correct dimensions (> 1 cm) and thickness of the film | 110 (71.0%) |
| Complete hemolysis of the red blood cells | 118 (76.1%) |
| No Giemsa stain precipitates observed | 60 (38.7%) |
| Good contrast between nucleus and cytoplasm | 70 (45.1%) |
| Complies with all criteria mentioned above | 30 (19.4%) |



Malaria Rapid Diagnostic Tests: alternative

Dipstick

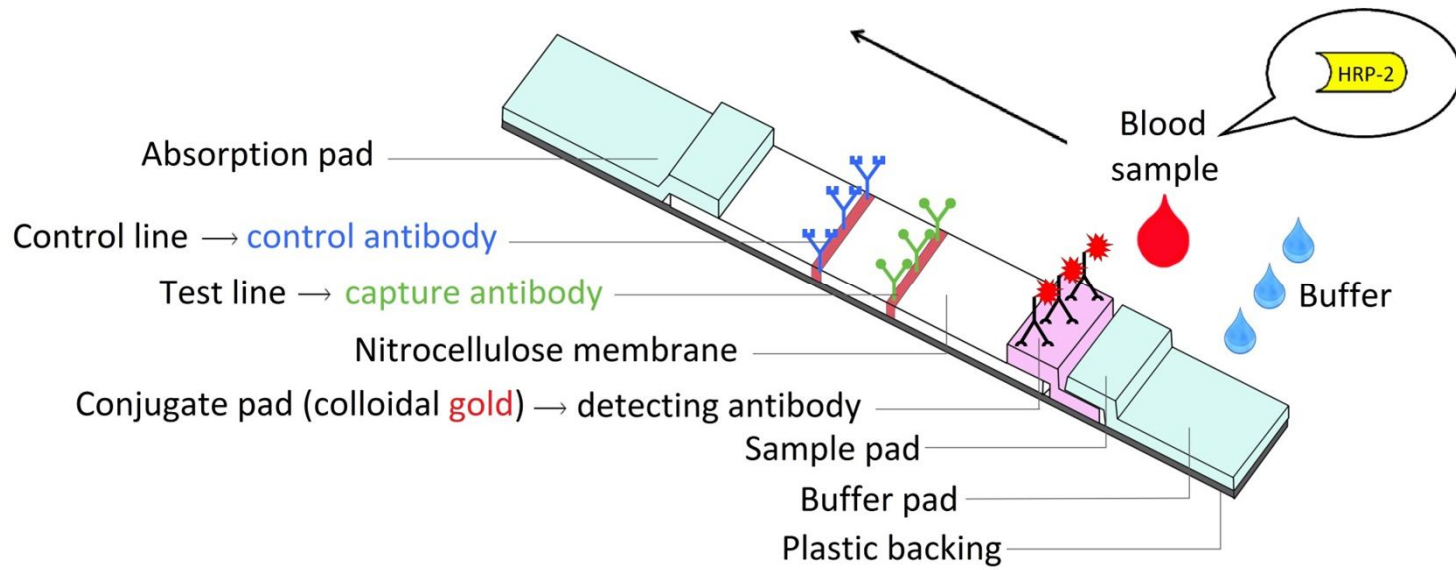
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Plastic cassette

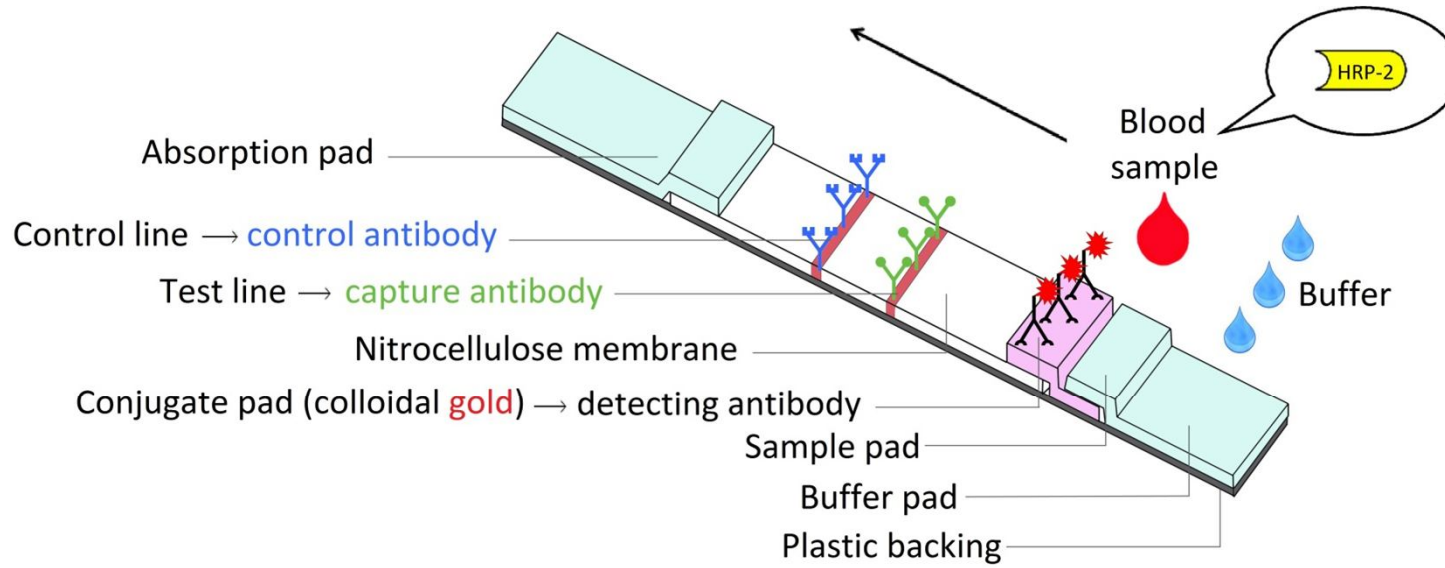
Hybrid cassette-dipsticks



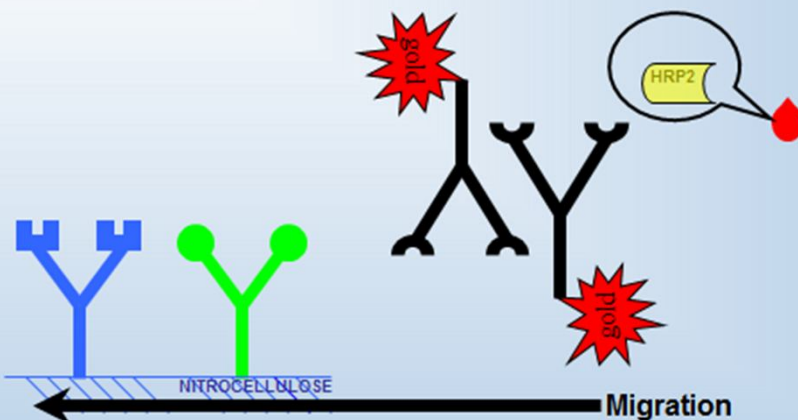
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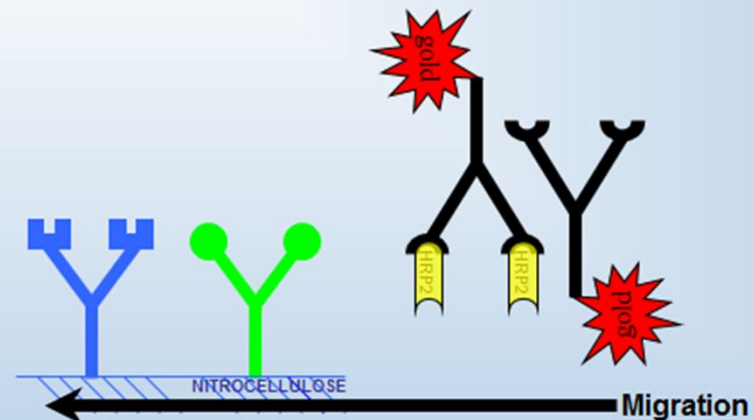
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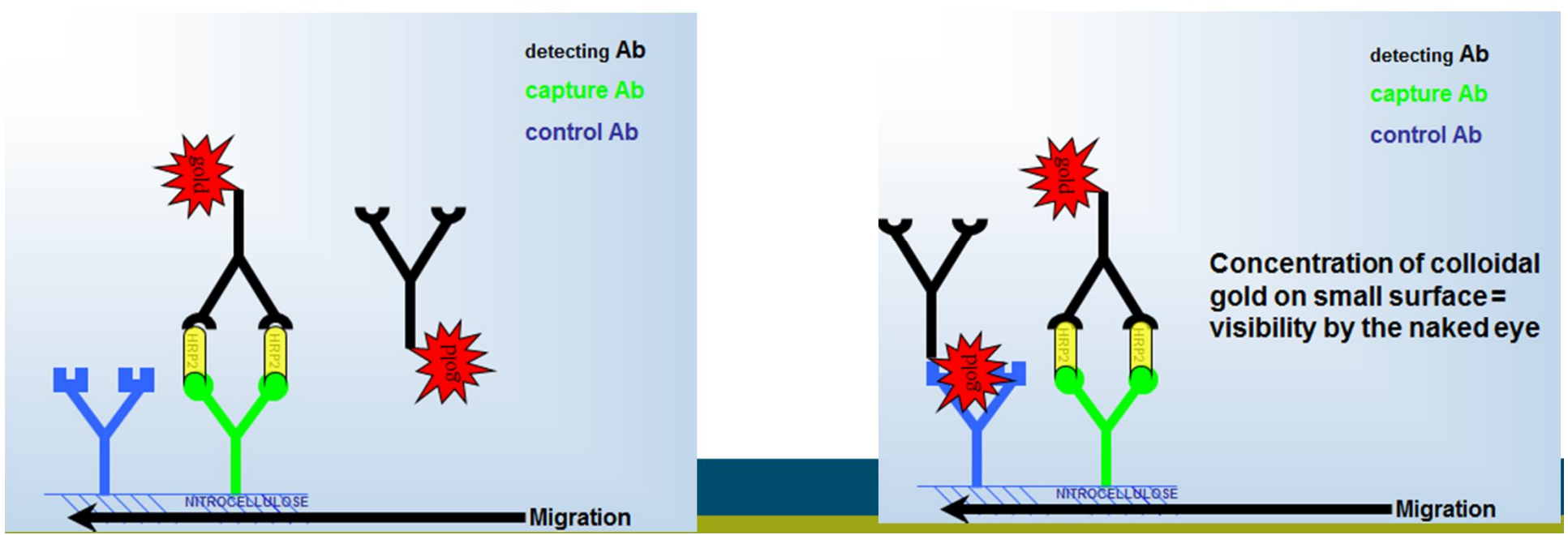
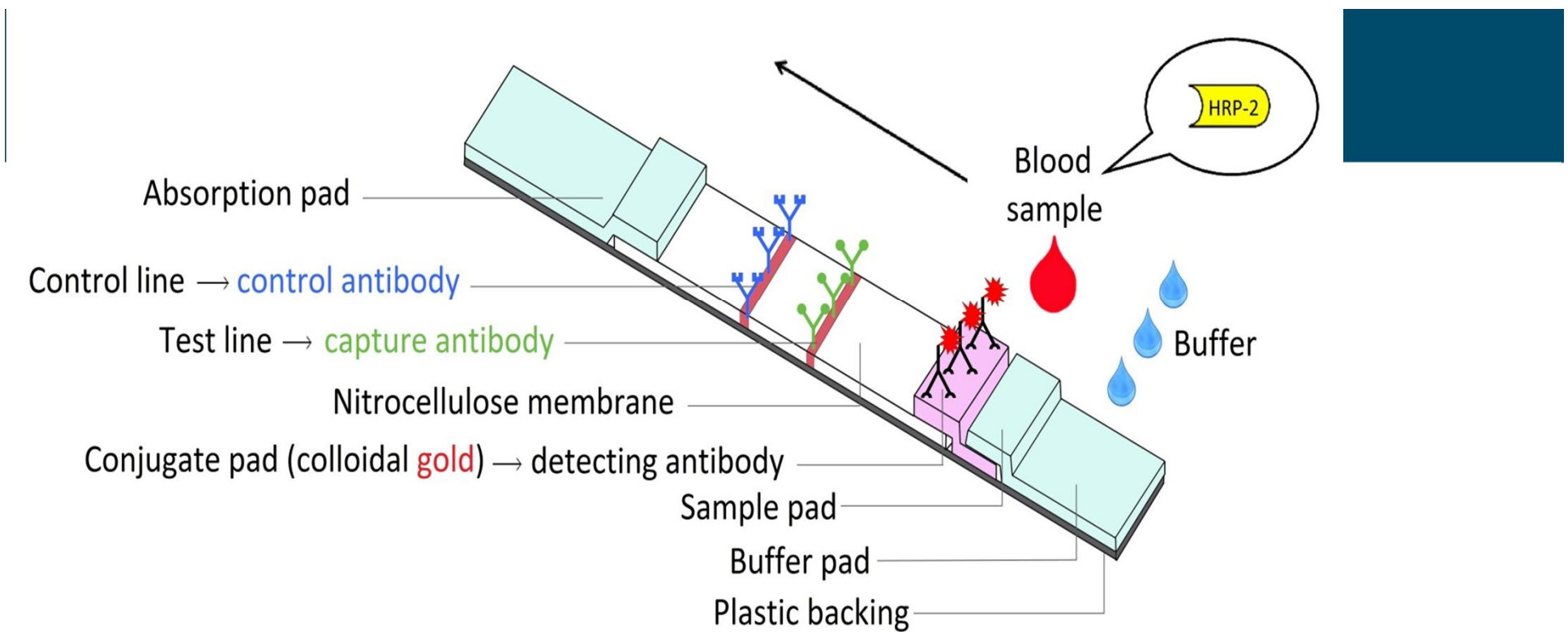


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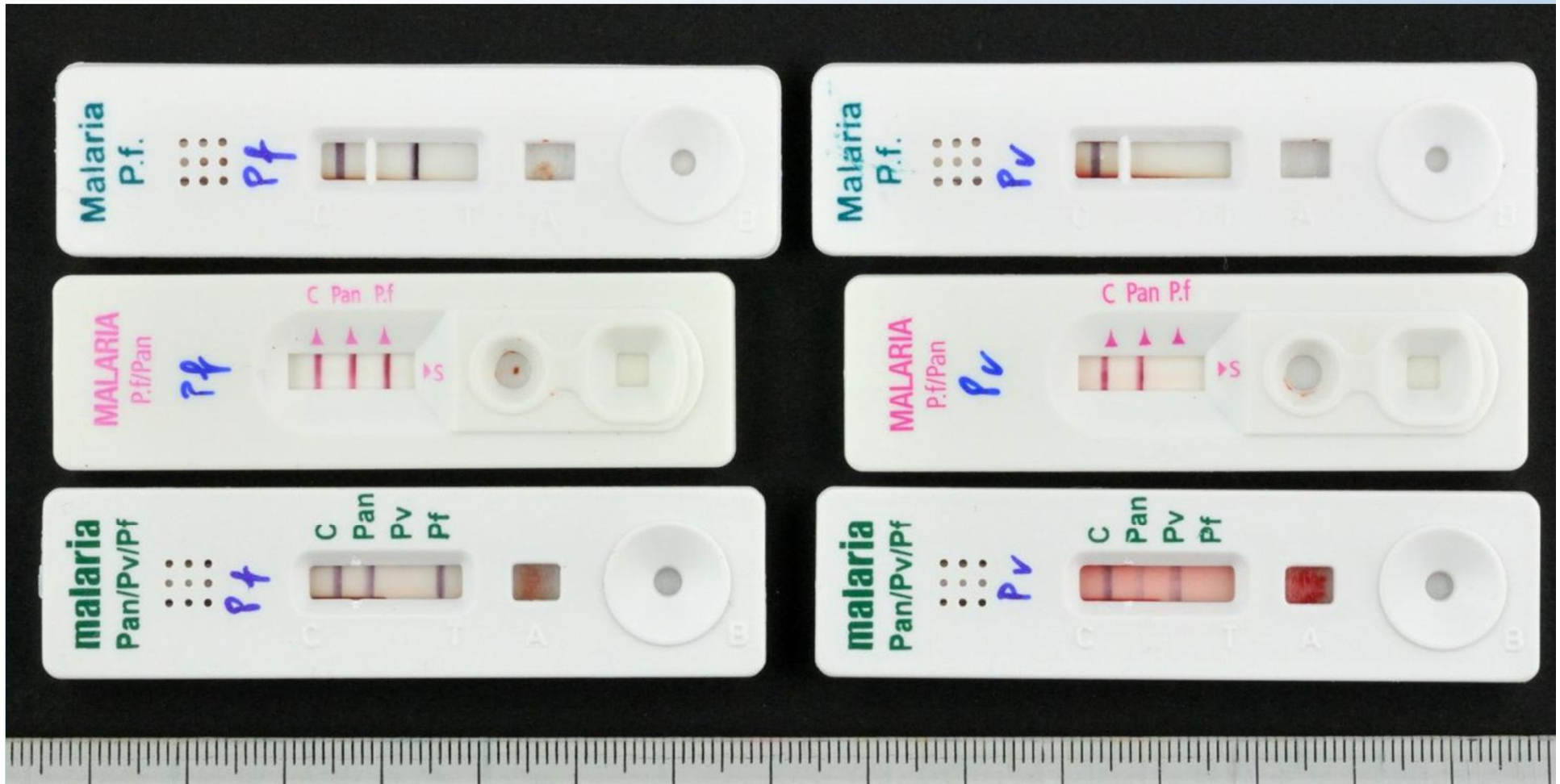


Antigens targeted by malaria RDTs

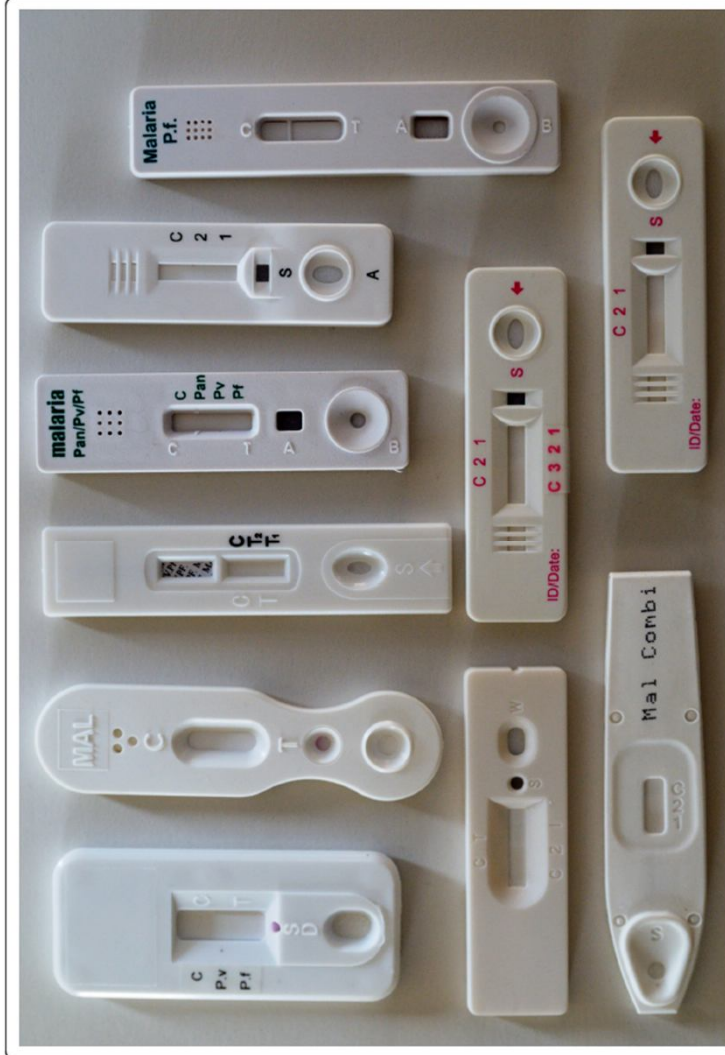
| | | |
|---|--|---|
| HRP-2 Histidine-rich protein-2 | P. falciparum | Trophozoites + young gametocytes Persistence up to 43 days after treatment |
| pLDH Parasite Lactate Dehydrogenase | 1. P.falciparum 2. All species (pan) 3. P.vivax | Viable trophozoites and gametocytes No persistence |
| Aldolase | All species | No persistence |



Two-, three- and four band RDTs



POC: pursuing the ASSURED criteria



Affordable
Sensitive
Specific
User-friendly
Robust
Equipment-free
Deliverable to end-user



Diagnostic characteristics of malaria RDTs

| | | |
|--------------------|----------------------|-------------------------------|
| Sensitivity | <i>P. falciparum</i> | 95 – 100% drops below 100/μl* |
| | <i>P. vivax</i> | 75 – 90% drops below 500/μl |
| | <i>P. malariae</i> | 10 – 50% |
| | <i>P. ovale</i> | 10 – 50% |

Specificity Rheumatoid factor and antinuclear antibodies
Schistosomiasis, hepatitis B/C, sleeping sickness
(rare)

* Children and non-immune persons may have symptoms



So mostly supplied all-in (“Kit” and “Single kit”)



Single kit meenemen)



... in remote settings, where no microscopy is available



RDTs perform well, equal or superior to routine microscopy

A good RDT is better than “average” microscopy for diagnosis of *P. falciparum* malaria

Reliable tool for parasite-based treatment (WHO)

No species determination

(though presence of *P. falciparum* confirmed)

No treatment follow-up

No parasite density



RDTs : excellent but not fail-proof

(Design and Engineering)

Rolling out

The intended user

Production

Market

Procurement

Supply

Transport, storage

End-user errors

Harmonization



Design and Engineering I

HRP-2 deletions

Low parasite densities: detection limit

High parasite densities: prozone

HRP-2 persistence:

up to 42 days

- Uncomplicated malaria: recurrence overlooked (Ayden-Schmidt 2014)
- Severe malaria: mostly recent malaria
- Travellers: recent malaria

Line intensity

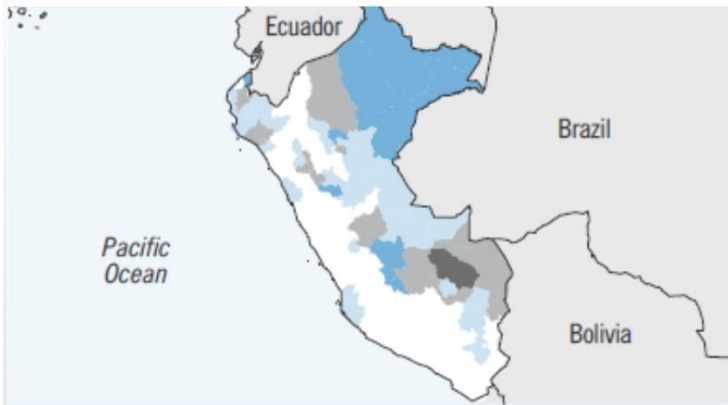
- Faint test lines: low parasite densities but also product-related
- Faint test lines are disregarded as negative



Rapid Diagnostic Tests for Malaria Diagnosis in the Peruvian Amazon: Impact of *pfhrp2* Gene Deletions and Cross-Reactions

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| Detection antigens | Nr of RDT products |
|--------------------|--------------------|
| PfHRP2 | 1 |
| PfHRP2 & pan-pLDH | 3 |
| PfHRP2 & Pv-pLDH | 5 |
| Pf-pLDH & pan-pLDH | 3 |
| PfHRP2 & Pf-pLDH | 1 |

| Detection antigen | % Sensitivity median (range) |
|-------------------|------------------------------|
| PfHRP2 | 71.6% (70.3 %– 71.6%) |
| Pf-pLDH | 98.7% (97.3% - 98.7%) |

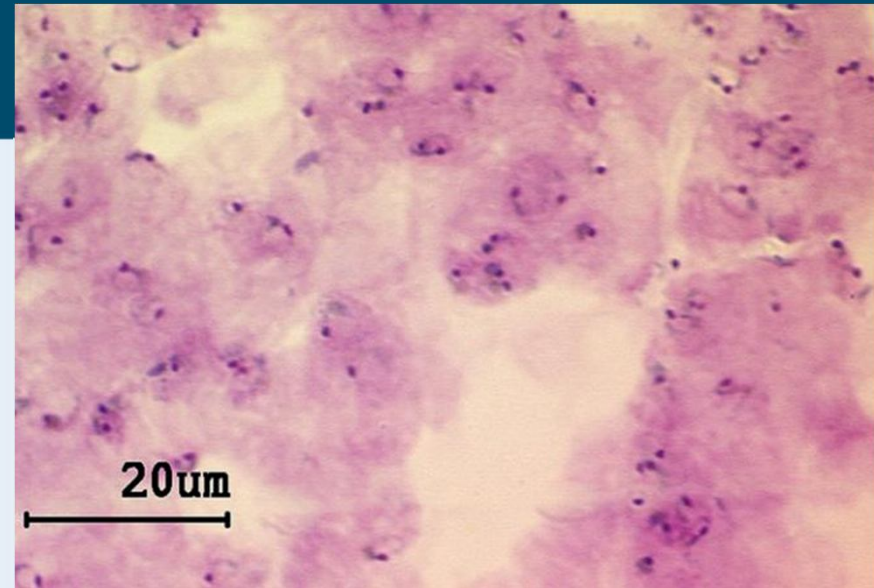
PATIENT FROM NIGERIA

Microscopy:

- *P. falciparum*
- Parasitaemia : 30 %

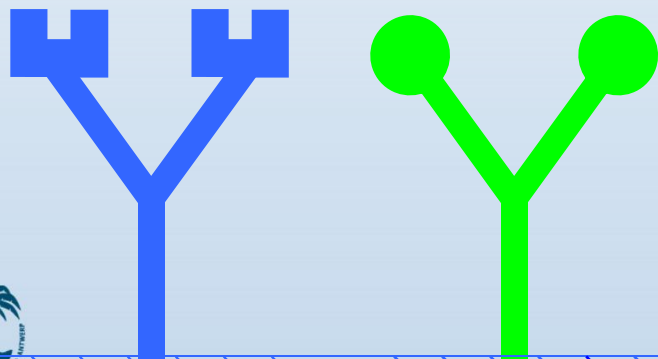
RDT:

- *Plasmodium non falciparum*

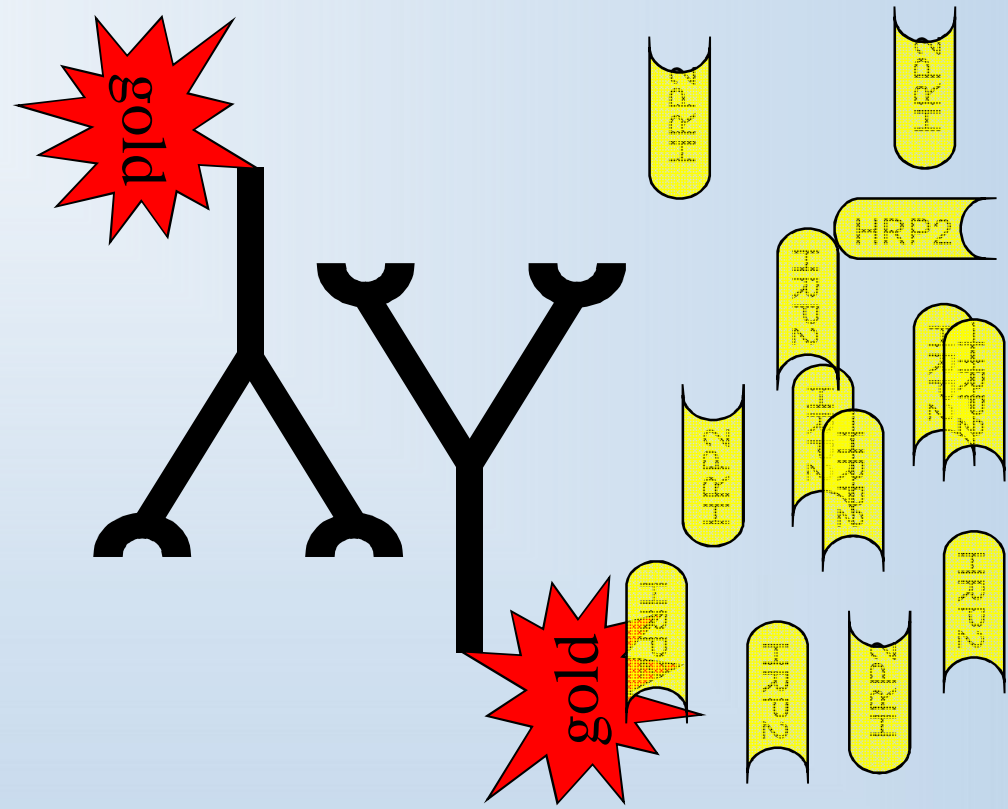


Prozone effect or High Dose Hook Effect”

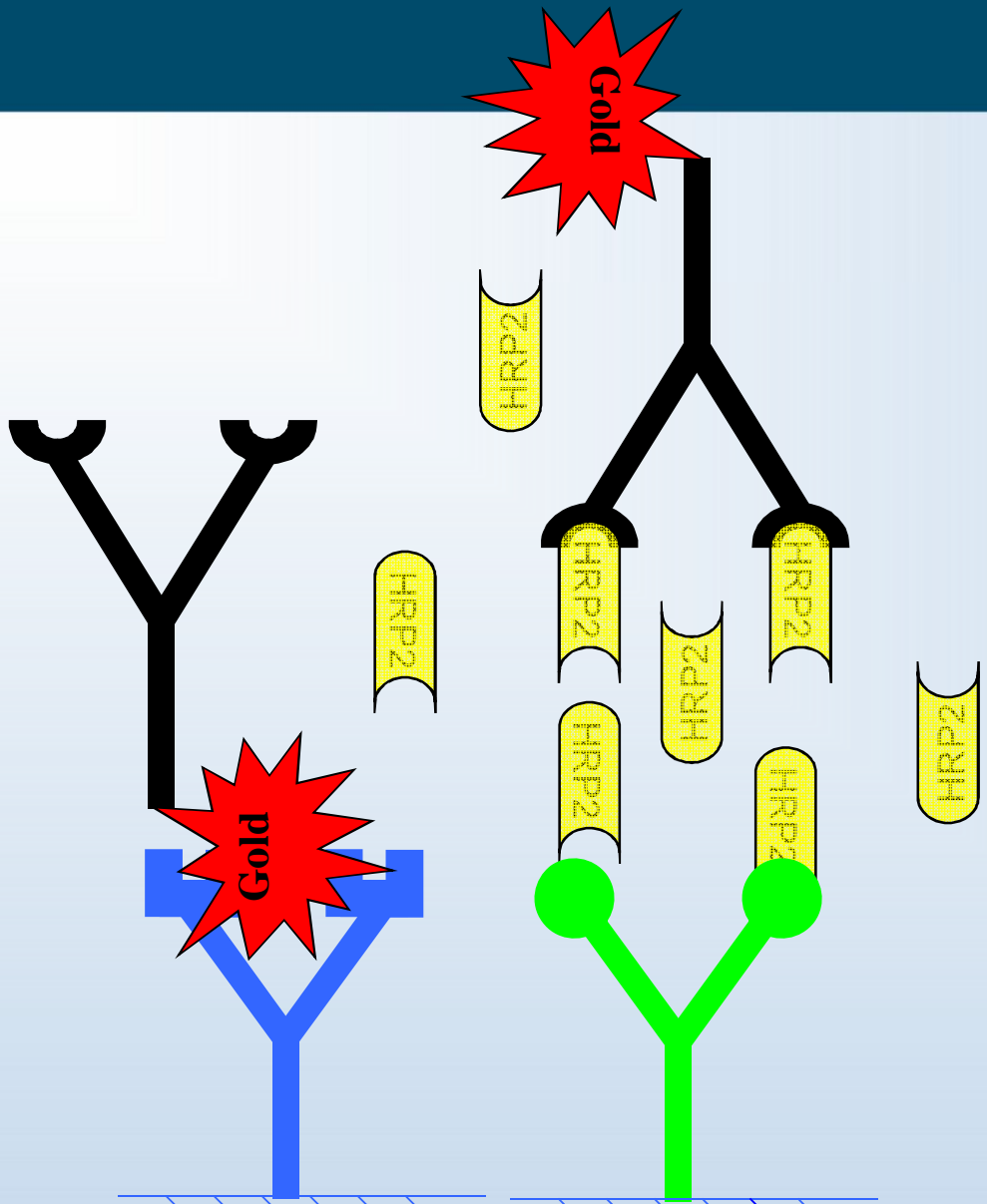
False-negative results
at high parasite
densities



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Migration



detecting Ab
capture Ab
control Ab

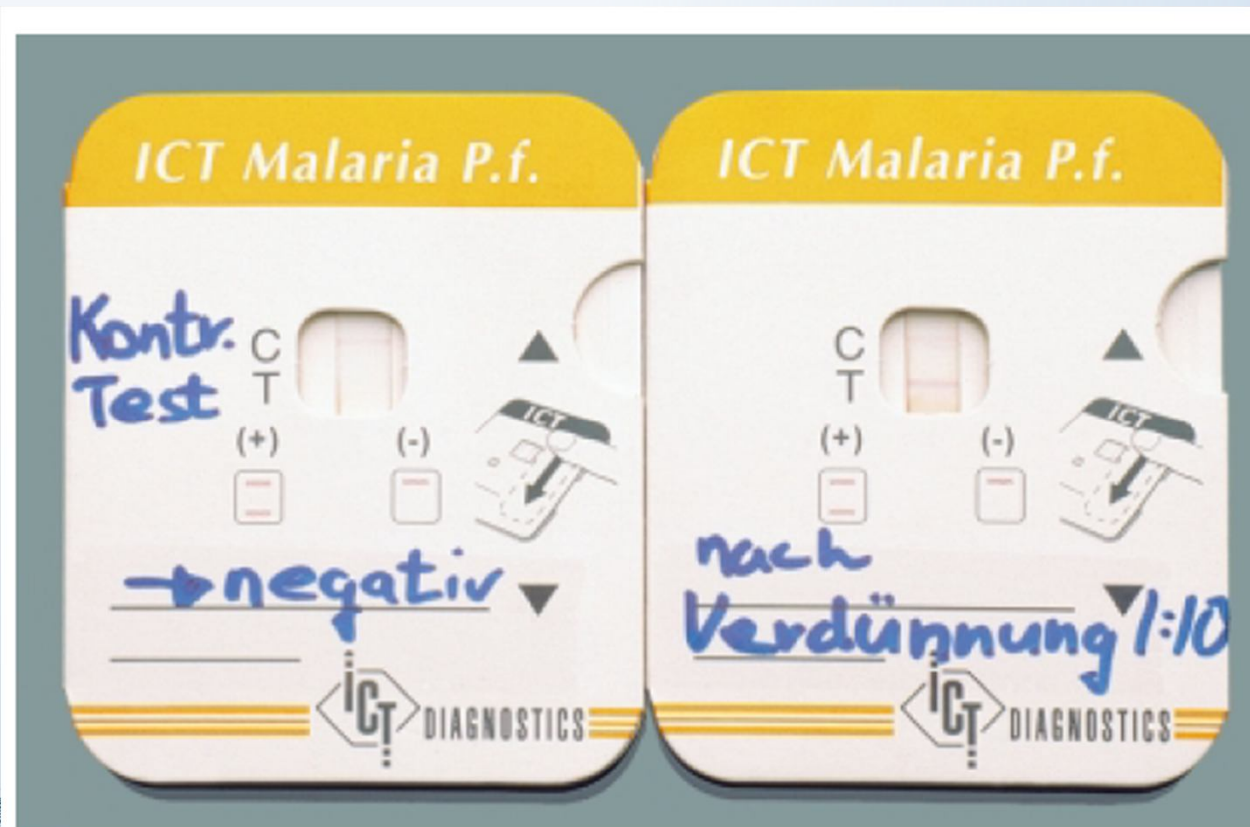
NITROCELLULOSE MEMBRANE



L. Risch, M. Bader, A. R. Huber

Falsch negativer Malaria-Schnelltest

Zentrum für Labormedizin,
Kantonsspital Aarau



Bedside diagnosis of imported malaria using the Binax Now malaria antigen detection test

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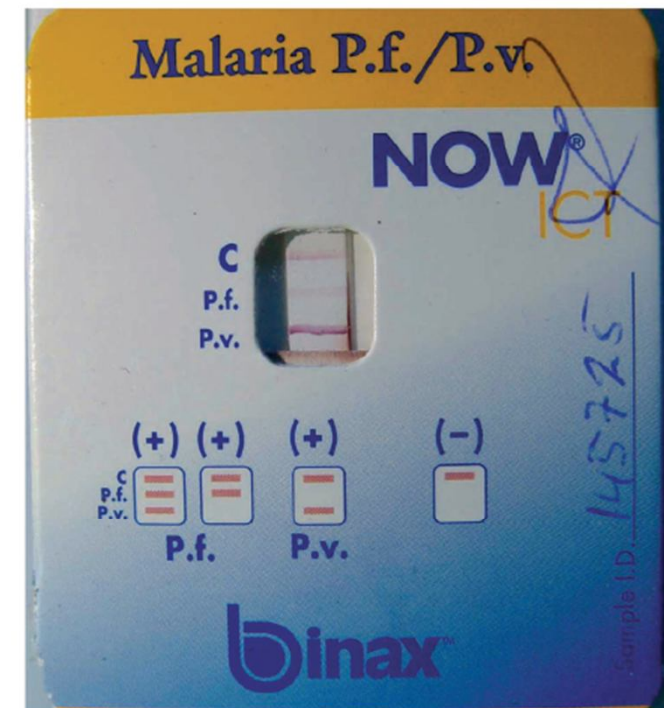


Figure 1. Test result in a 64-year old woman who had returned from The Gambia a week before hospitalization. The parasitemia detected by microscopy was 31%. The weak *Plasmodium falciparum* band is notable.



Example

REVIEW

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Assessment of two malaria rapid diagnostic tests in children under five years of age, with follow-up of false-positive pLDH test results, in a hyperendemic falciparum malaria area, Sierra Leone

Sibylle Gerstl^{1*}, Sophie Dunkley², Ahmed Mukhtar², Martin De Smet³, Samuel Baker⁴, Jacob Maikere³

a parasitaemia of 1-2 parasites/ μ l. The two study persons with false negative results for Paracheck-Pf[®] test had a parasitaemia of 288,000 and 580,000 parasites/ μ l.

RESEARCH

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Accuracy of a rapid diagnostic test on the diagnosis of malaria infection and of malaria - attributable fever during low and high transmission season in Burkina Faso

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ties. In one case, in the rainy season, a high parasite density ($> 150,000/\mu$ l) was missed by the RDT. The patient, a six-year-old boy, was diagnosed as a case of malaria (the only symptoms were high fever and vomiting), but after the RDT result he was not given any antimalarial, but an antibiotic.

Prozone in malaria rapid diagnostics tests: how many cases are missed?

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Prospective field study, Mozambique

Most severely hit HRP-2 RDT: absent HRP-2 line

- 0.05% of patients suspected of malaria
- 0.5% of *P. falciparum* samples
- 4.4% of *P. falciparum* samples with high parasite density



Design and Engineering I

Low parasite densities: detection limit

High parasite densities: prozone

HRP-2 persistence: up to 42 days

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- **Severe malaria:** mostly recent malaria
- **Travellers:** recent malaria

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RESEARCH

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Accuracy of *Pf*HRP2 versus *Pf*-pLDH antigen detection by malaria rapid diagnostic tests in hospitalized children in a seasonal hyperendemic malaria transmission area in Burkina Faso

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Field – research setting

Co-infections and/or post-malaria bacterial infections

“Recent” malaria

Hospitalised children – severe malaria



SD 90 = HRP-2 and Pf-pLDH on a single RDT

Equal sensitivity (but overall lower line intensity of Pf-pLDH)
As expected, lower specificity of HRP-2

Table 3 Diagnostic accuracy of *Pf*HRP2- compared to *Pf*-pLDH-detection

| | <i>Pf</i> HRP2 | <i>Pf</i> -pLDH | <i>p</i> -value |
|----------------|----------------------|---------------------|-----------------|
| RDT pos, n (%) | 515 (74.2) | 404 (54.2) | |
| SE (95% CI) | 100.0 (94.7 - 100.0) | 98.7 (93.5-99.9) | 1.0 |
| Sp (95% CI) | 70.9 (67.4 - 70.9) | 94.0 (90.6 - 94.8) | < 0.001 |
| PPV (95% CI) | 69.4 (65.7 - 69.4) | 91.6 (86.8 - 92.7) | < 0.001 |
| NPV (95% CI) | 100.0 (95.1 - 100.0) | 99.1 (95.5 - 100.0) | 1.0 |

N = number, NPV = negative predictive value, *Pf*HRP2 = *P. falciparum* Histidine-rich protein-2, *Pf*-pLDH = *P. falciparum*-specific parasite lactate dehydrogenase pos = positive, PPV = positive, predictive value SE = sensitivity, Sp = specificity.



Example

RDT line intensity

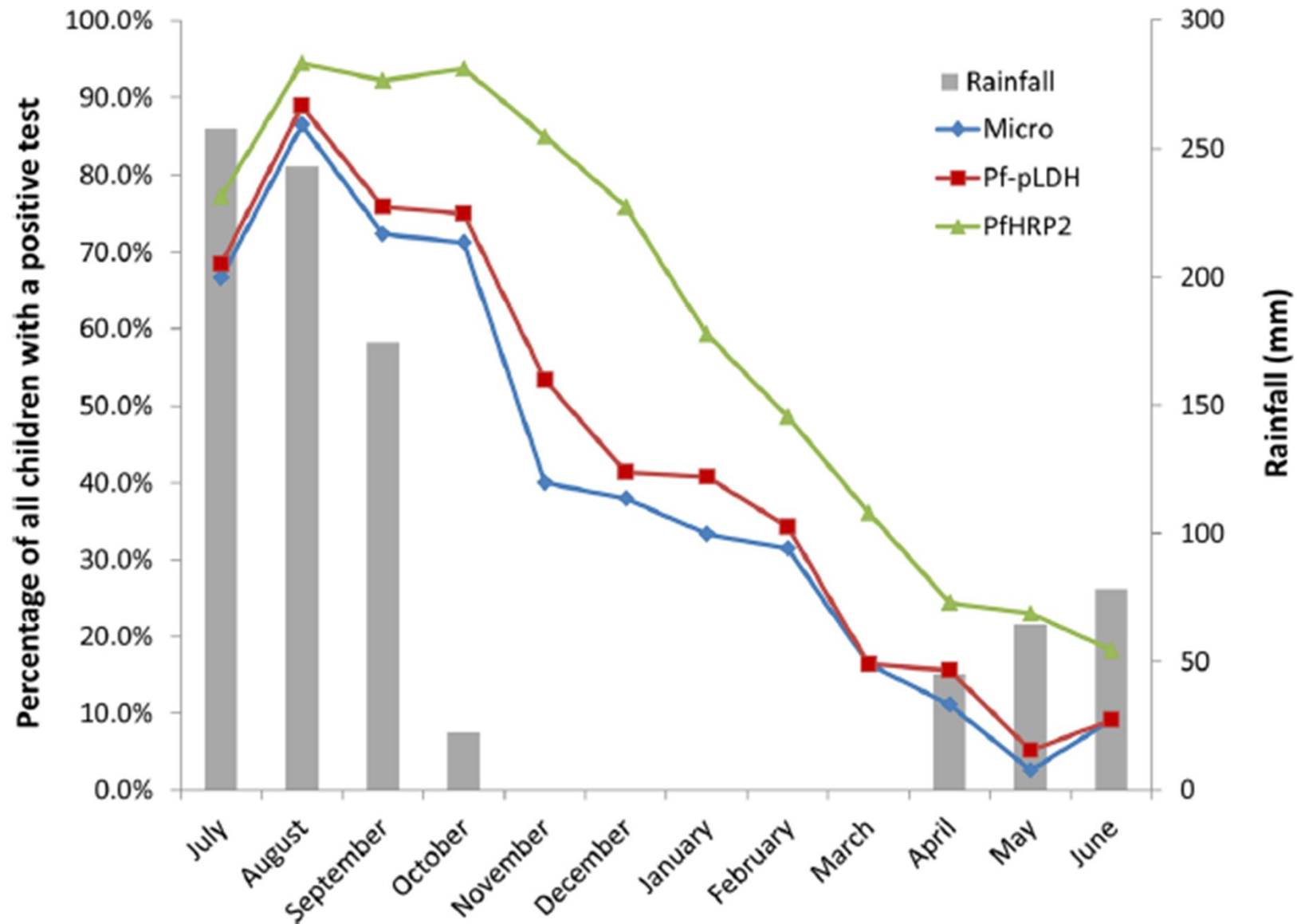
For *Pf*-pLDH, 2.4% (nine/375) of true positive test lines was of faint intensity, for *Pf*HRP2 this was 0.5% (two/376). For the *P. falciparum* positive samples, the *Pf*HRP2 test line compared to the corresponding *Pf*-pLDH test line for the same sample was of stronger and weaker intensity in 179/376 (47.6%) and 31/376 (8.2%) samples, respectively. For seven samples with high parasite density (82,080-392,535/ μ l) *Pf*HRP2 was of weak intensity while *Pf*-pLDH was of strong intensity. Among the false positive test lines (excluding pure gametocytaemia), two/20 (10%) *Pf*-pLDH and 67/126 (53.2%) *Pf*HRP2 lines were of medium or strong intensity.



Table 2 *Pf*HRP2 and *Pf*-pLDH results according to parasite density

| Microscopy | Number | <i>Pf</i> HRP2 pos | | <i>Pf</i> HRP2 neg | |
|---------------------|--------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| | | <i>Pf</i> -pLDH pos | <i>Pf</i> -pLDH neg | <i>Pf</i> -pLDH pos | <i>Pf</i> -pLDH neg |
| 1 - 100 | 3 | 2 | 1 | | |
| 101 - 1,000 | 25 | 25 | | | |
| 1,001 - 10,000 | 66 | 66 | | | |
| 10,001 - 100,000 | 199 | 199 | | | |
| > 100,000 | 83 | 83 | | | |
| pure gametocytemia | 13 | 8 | 4 | 1 | |
| Microscopy negative | 303 | 17 | 110 | 1 | 175 |
| <i>P. ovale</i> | 2 | | | 2 | |
| Total | 694 | 400 | 115 | 4 | 175 |

Specificity decreases in the course of rainy season



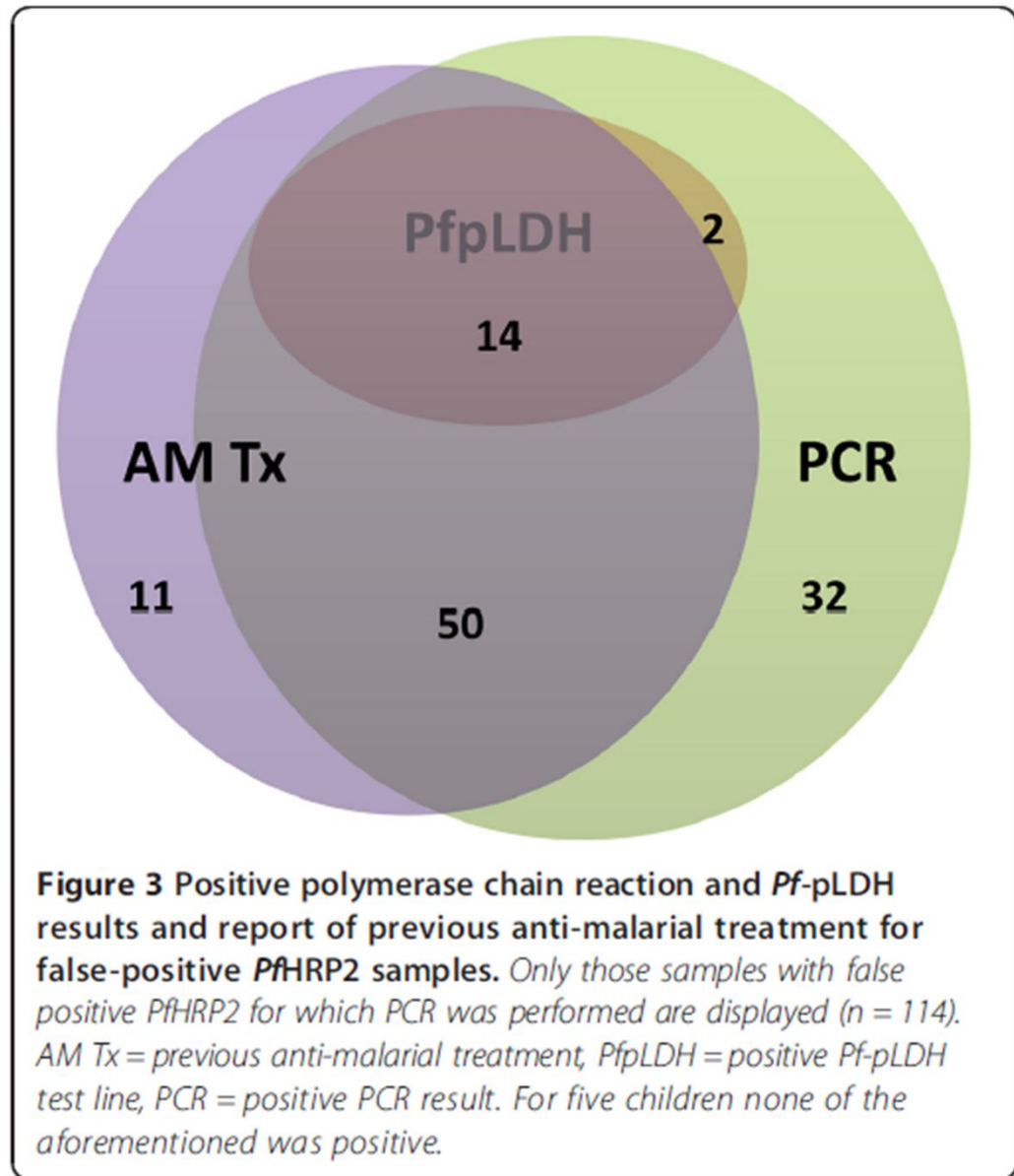
Example

False-positive HRP-2 was associated with

- Recently installed treatment
- PCR-positivity

! Referral-track

Prior use of anti-malarial treatment (either by self-medication or prescription) reflects real-life situation in malaria-endemic settings. To know if the child is actually suffering from malaria, an ideal RDT should be able to differentiate ongoing infection from a previously cured episode of infection, but PfHRP2 is not capable of doing so. Pf-pLDH RDTs seem to be more promising in that respect as they turn negative in two to seven days, but future studies should assess their evolution over time after start of treatment.



WHO 2010: no treatment without diagnosis (Test, Treat, Track)

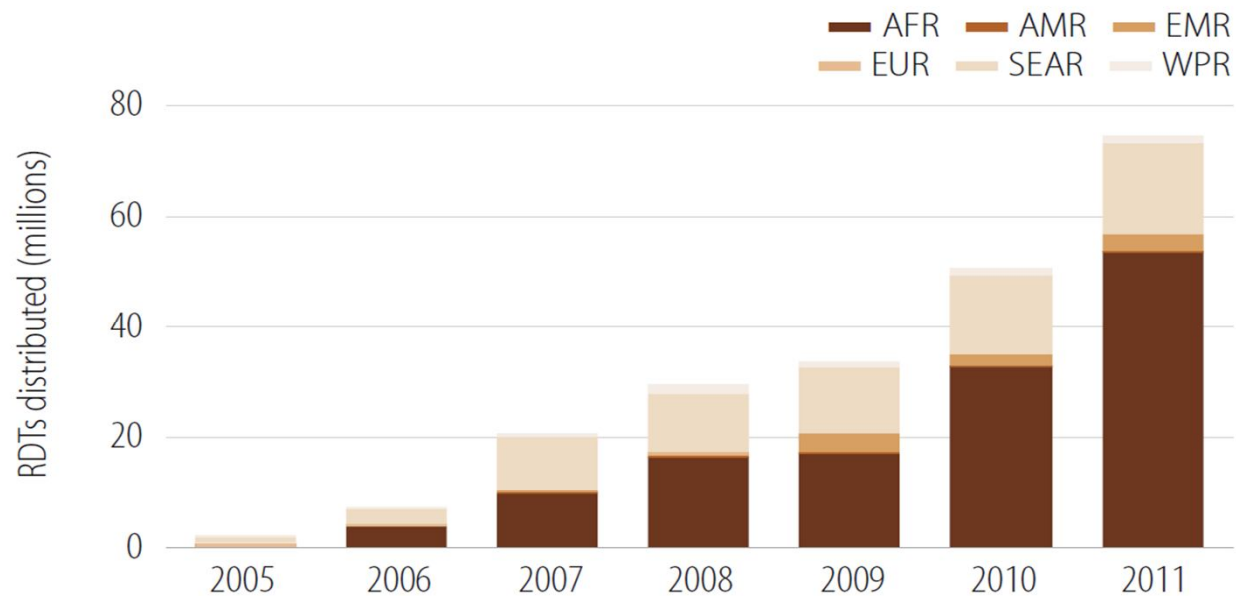


Market of Scale

200.000 tests in 2005

220.000.000 tests in 2013

Figure 6.4 RDTs distributed by NMCPs, by WHO Region, 2005–2011

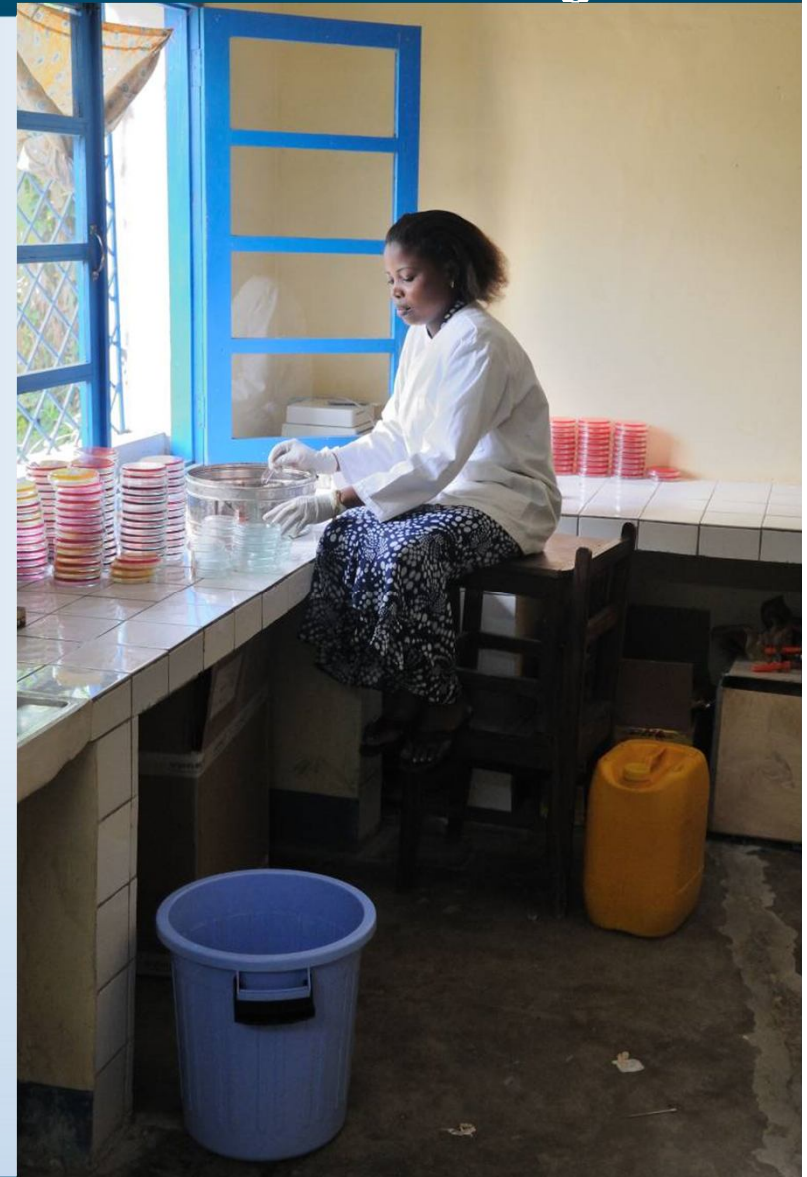


Source: NMCP reports
RDTs distributed in Europe and Americas are a very small fraction of the number distributed in other WHO Regions



The end-user: from laboratory to decentral testing

Travel medicine
Reference laboratory
Health center
Health post
Community health worker
Private sector
Retail outlets & Shops
Home testing
Self testing



Professional use versus Self-testing

Non-endemic settings (Europe):

Diagnostic Laboratories **ISO 15189**

Point-of-Care **ISO 22870**

Endemic setting:

“Intended for professional use”

ISO 18113: professional user =

**“qualified to perform IVD testing through special education and training”:
leaves room for community health worker and private sector.**

ISO 18113: self-testing = lay-person =

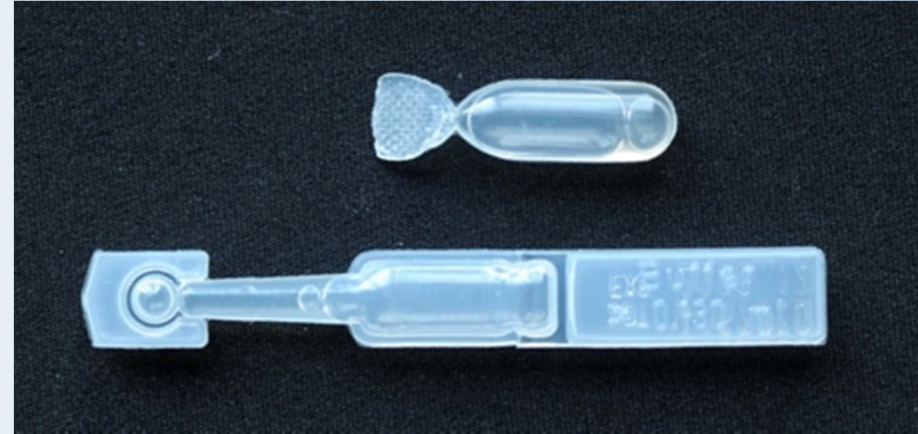
“no formal training in a relevant medical field or discipline”



Long-term and expatriates



“Single packs” but no formal (CE) approval for Self-testing



Market of Scale

200.000 tests in 2005

220.000.000 tests in 2013

Pressure on Prices

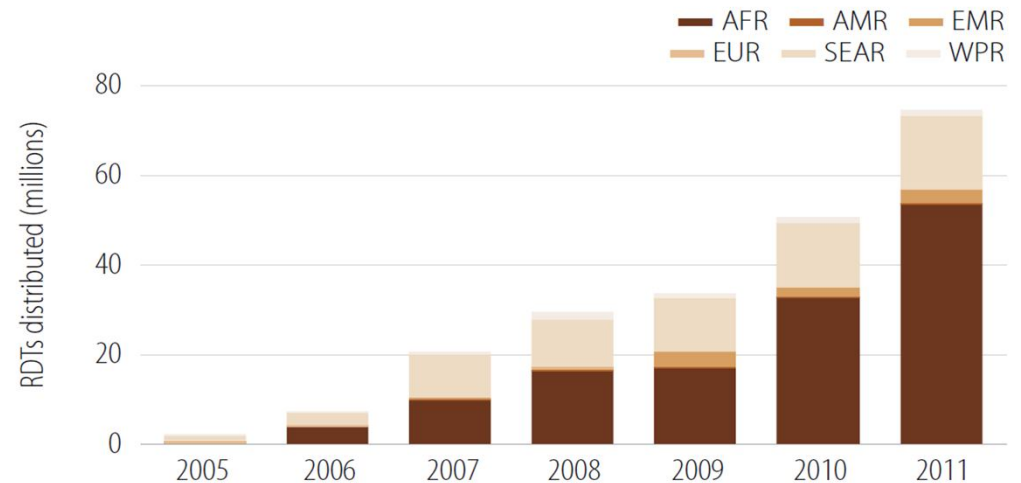
Pressure on Lead times

Pressure on Manufacturing

Pressure on Cost-savings

Pressure on R & D

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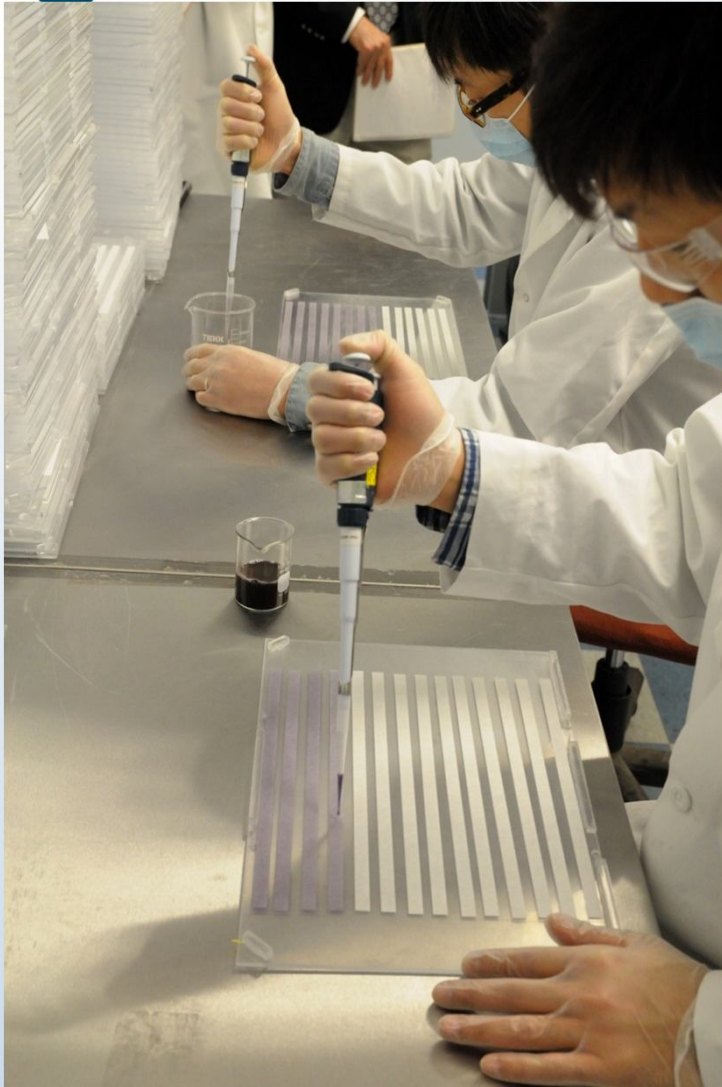
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Scaling up of production.... Skills – Human Resources



Production = still manual work



Pressure on cost/No standards

Barbé et al. *Malaria Journal* 2012, **11**:326
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RESEARCH

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Assessment of desiccants and their instructions for use in rapid diagnostic tests

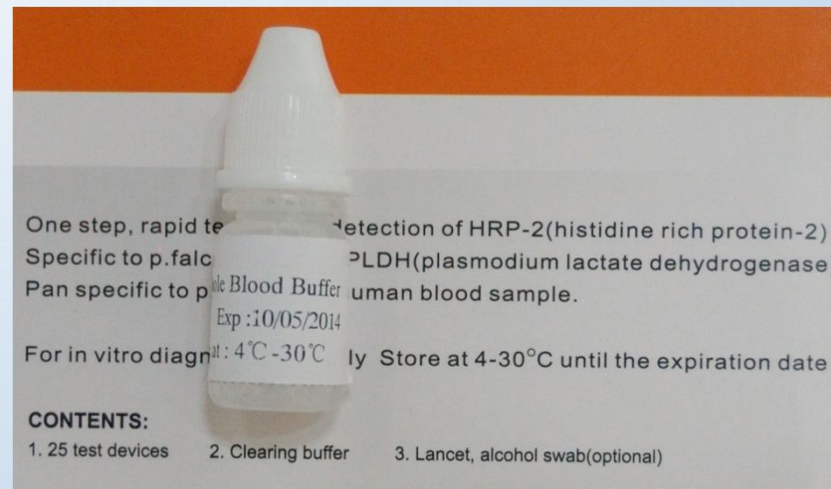
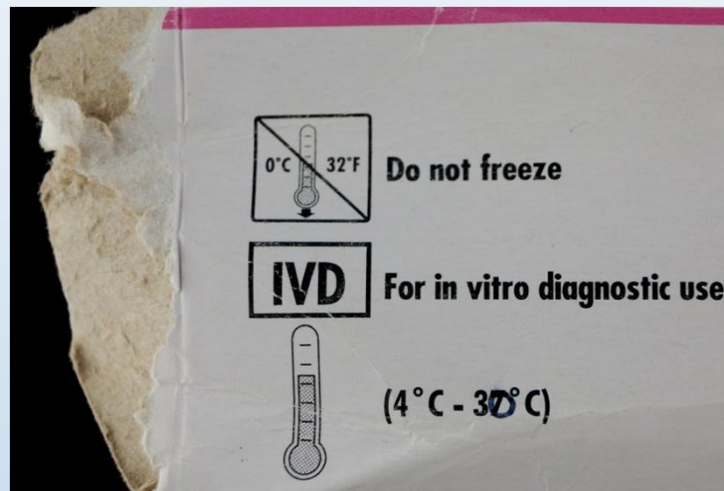
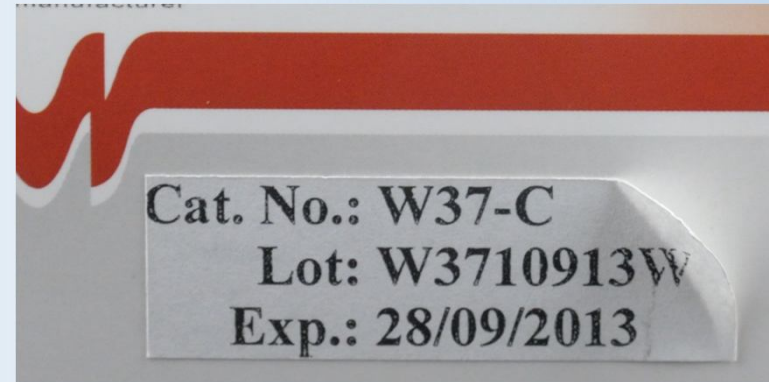
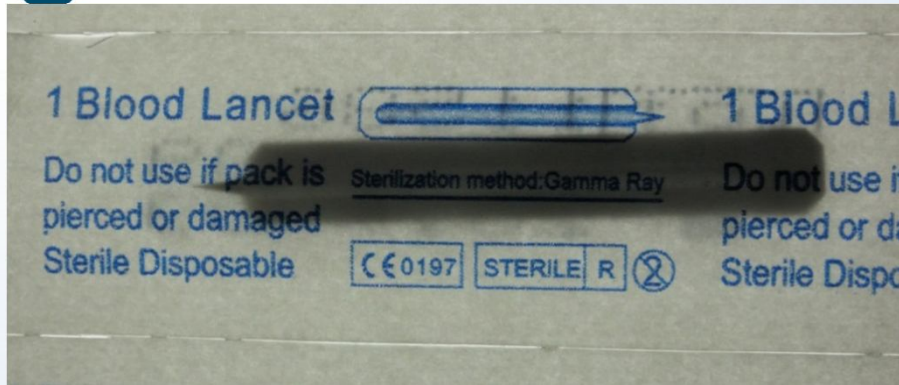
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Pressure on cost/No standards



Pressure on quality



Procurement/supply pipeline National Malaria Control Programme

Select type of RDT

Estimate needs

Budget (donors)

Technical "specs"

Diagnostic performance

Manufacturer

Lot-testing

Bidding proces

Custom clearance

Shipment and Distribution

Batch traceability

Global Fund GF
Presidents' malaria initiative PMI
World Bank
NGOs

WHO Global Malaria Programme
Foundation for Innovative New
Diagnostics

WHO Prequalification



Guidance

WHO Global Malaria Program Foundation for Innovative New Diagnostics Side-to-side testing Lot testing

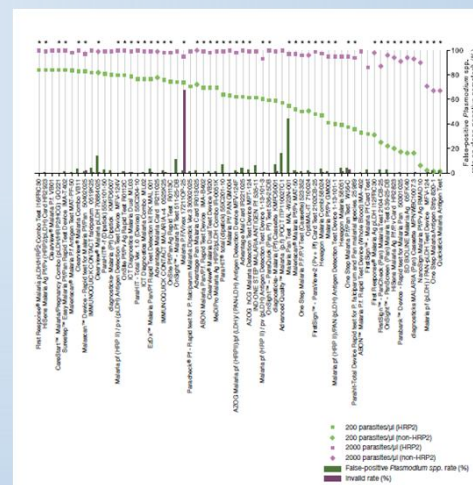
WHO prequalification ISO 13485 audits and post-marketing surveillance



Malaria Rapid Diagnostic Test Performance

Results of WHO product testing of malaria RDTs: Round 4 (2012)

World Health Organization | FIND | CDC | TDR



Stock management... Example time and quantity of ordering

$$Q_o = C_a \times (L_T + P_P) + S_S - (S_i + S_o)$$

- Q_o is the quantity of RDTs to be re-ordered in the next procurement period
- C_a is the average monthly consumption, adjusted for stock-outs
- L_T is the lead time (expressed in months)
- P_P is the procurement period (expressed in months)
- S_S is the safety stock
- S_i is the stock in inventory (on hand)
- S_o is the stock on order but not yet received



Procurement and supply

Unequivocal product name

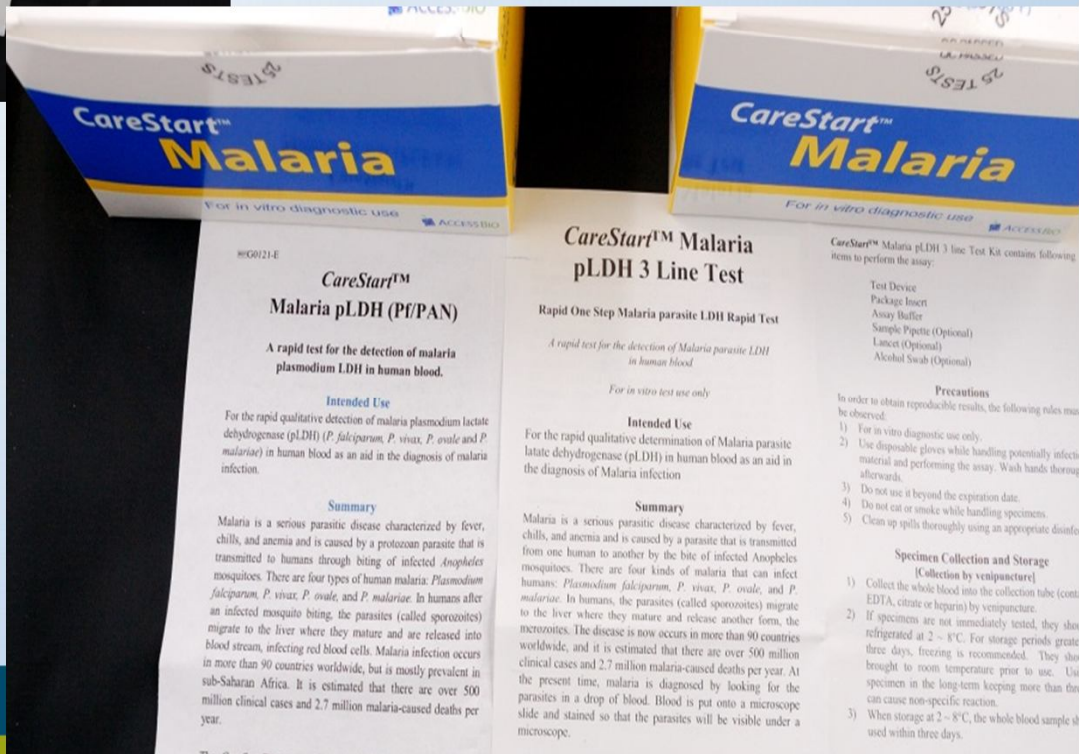
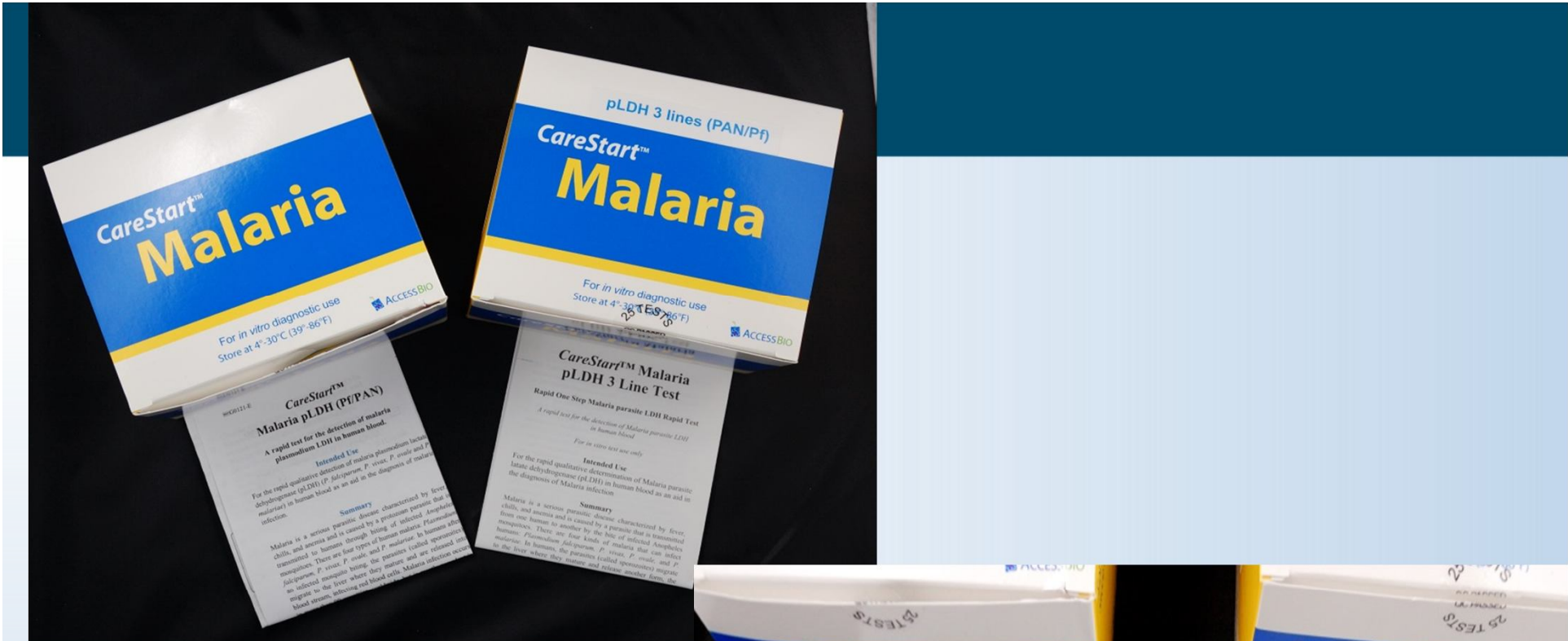
Unequivocal product code

Meaningful name

Clear labeling

Commercial pressure?







One box is used for all types of malaria RDTs – local distributor added label with the targeted antigens

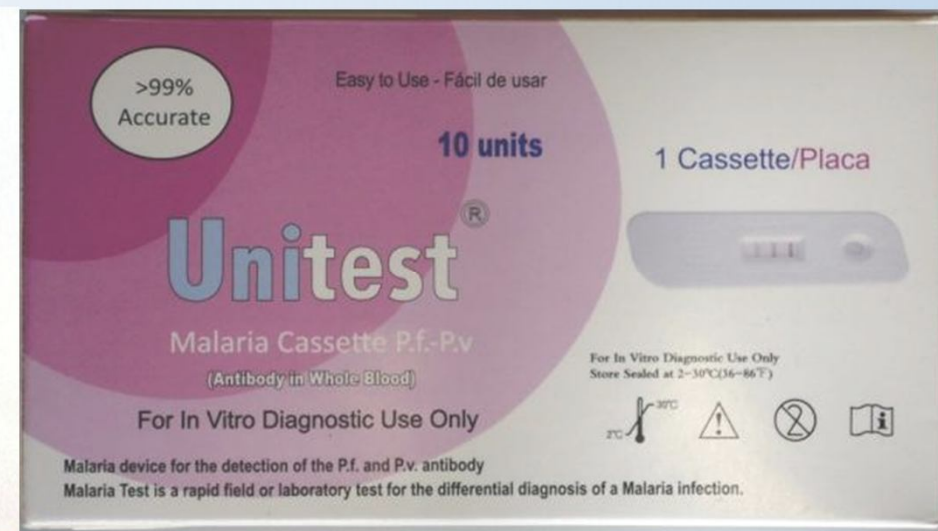


1 label for buffer bottles of all RDT products of 1 company



Internet Sales (Peeling2011, Maltha2013)

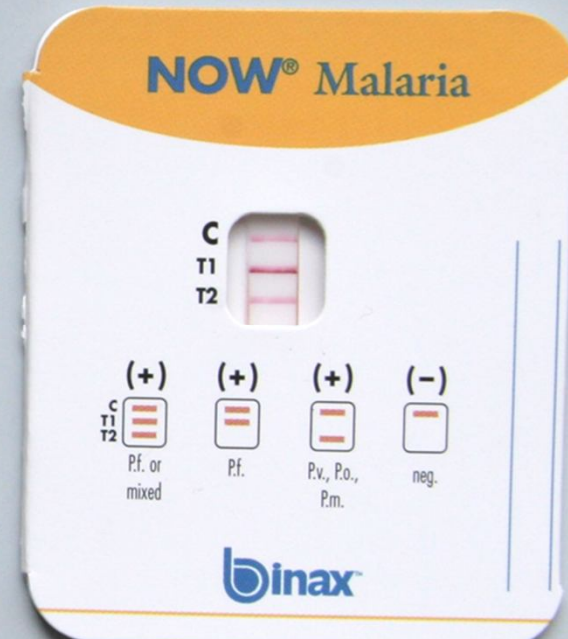
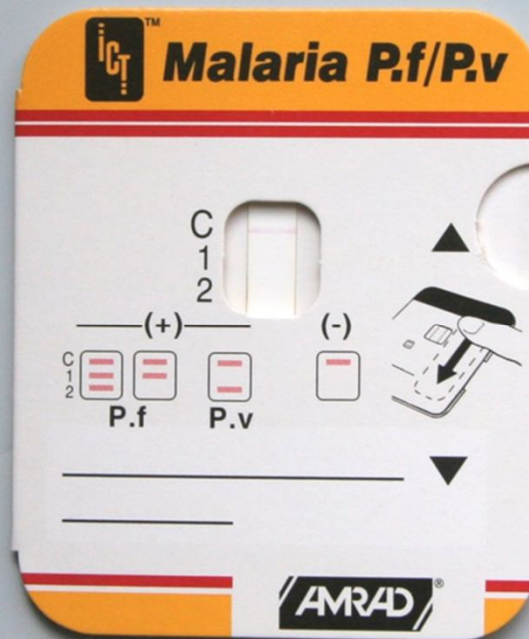
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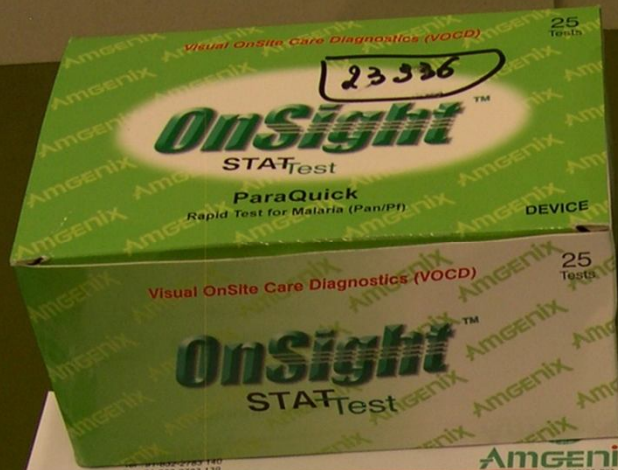


1996

1999

2000





PRODUCT RELEASE PROTOCOL

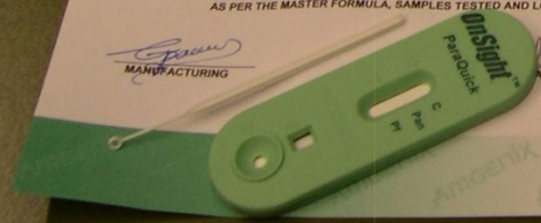
| | |
|----------|---|
| SR.No. | 006 |
| DATE | 09/07/2007 |
| PRODUCT | OnSight - ParaQuick (Device) Rapid Test for Malaria - Pan + Pf |
| LOT No. | A101006(s) |
| MFG. DT. | 05/2009 |
| EXP.DT. | 05/2009 |
| PACK | 25 TESTS |

| SR. No. | SPECIFICITY AND SENSITIVITY TEST SAMPLE / STANDARD | RESULTS AT 15 MINUTES | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|----|----------------|
| | | TEST BAND | PI | CONTROL BAND C |
| MALARIA NEGATIVE PANEL | | | | |
| 1 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -1 | 0 | 0 | 4+ |
| 2 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -2 | 0 | 0 | 4+ |
| 3 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -3 | 0 | 0 | 4+ |
| 4 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -4 | 0 | 0 | 4+ |
| 5 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -5 | 0 | 0 | 4+ |
| P. vivax POSITIVE PANEL | | | | |
| 1 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -1 | 4+ | 0 | 4+ |
| 2 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -2 | 3+ | 0 | 4+ |
| 3 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -3 | 2+ | 0 | 4+ |
| 4 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -4 | 1+ | 0 | 4+ |
| 5 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -5 | 1w | 0 | 4+ |
| P. falciparum POSITIVE PANEL | | | | |
| 1 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -1 | 4+ | 4+ | 4+ |
| 2 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -2 | 3+ | 3+ | 4+ |
| 3 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -3 | 2+ | 2+ | 4+ |
| 4 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -4 | 1+ | 1+ | 4+ |
| 5 | WHOLE BLOOD SAMPLE -5 | 1w | 1w | 4+ |

NOTE : The intensity of control band 'C' is taken as 4+. The nos. 1 to 4 are assigned to the intensity of test band at regions 'Pan' / 'Pf' as compared to control band. A weak but clearly visible band is taken as 1w. No band is defined as 0.

MANUFACTURING RECORDS ARE VERIFIED, CHECKED AND PRODUCT IS MANUFACTURED AS PER THE MASTER FORMULA, SAMPLES TESTED AND LOT IS RELEASED FOR SALE.

MANUFACTURING *Adao* ASSURANCE



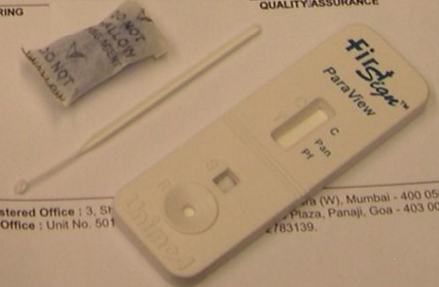
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|----------|---|
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| PRODUCT | First Sign - ParaView (Device) Rapid Test for Malaria - Pan + Pf |
| LOT No. | U101001(s) |
| MFG. DT. | 06/2007 |
| EXP.DT. | 05/2009 |
| PACK | 25 TESTS |

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|-------------------------------------|--|-----------------------|----|----------------|
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MANUFACTURING *Adao* QUALITY ASSURANCE




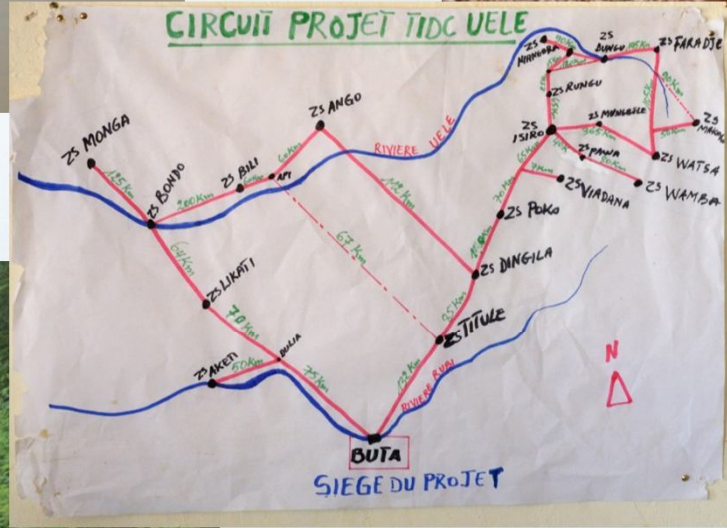
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Manufacturer Supplier Distributor

Rebrander

| Manufacturer name | Probably the same tests |
|---|-----------------------------|
| AZOG | Carestart, First Response |
| Biotec | Core, Visitect, Paramax-3 |
| Carestart | AZOG, First Response |
| Core | Biotec, Visitect, Paramax-3 |
| Nova Century Scientific | Paracheck |
| First Response | AZOG, Carestart |
| ICT | Vision |
| Paramax-3 | Biotec, Core, Visitect |
| SD Bioline | Cypress |
| Vision | ICT |
| Visitect | Biotec, Core, Paramax-3 |
| Cypress diagnostics, | ICT |
| Cypress diagnostics | SD bioline 60 |
| Carestart | Permier Medical Cooperation |
|  Span diagnostic | Omega pharma |
| Dialab | Humanis |



Transport and Shipment

35°C stability

Humidity proof packaging

Stress shipments

Long shelf-life



So there we go...



Transport by road...

RSS | Alertes mail & podcast / Jeudi, Septembre 05 2013

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Province Orientale: plus de 30 véhicules bloqués sur l'axe Niania – Bafwasende

juin 25, 2013, | Dernière mise à jour le 25 juin, 2013 à 4:55 | sous [Actualité](#), [Province Orientale](#). Mots clés: [police](#), [Traccasseries](#)



Camions au poste frontalier Kasumbalesa, Katanga, RD Congo

Plus trente véhicules sont bloqués, depuis le début de l'année, sur la route nationale numérotée 1 entre Niania et Bafwasende dans la Province Orientale. La plateforme des transporteurs du Congo accuse la police de circulation routière de Bafwasende d'imposer des taxes illégales à ces véhicules. La police de son côté affirme prélever une «taxe de défaut de

surchargement».

La plateforme des transporteurs indique qu'il s'agit de véhicules provenant de Beni, Butembo et Bunia en direction de Kisangani. Ils transportent des produits vivriers et diverses marchandises.

Le président des transporteurs, Modeste Pili Pili, accuse la Police de circulation

SONDAGE

engagés
déplacés
occupés
de perm

**Blocked for 4 months now
Temp 40°C
Humidity 70%
15\$/day**

- Cet engagement contribuera à rétablir la sécurité dans cette zone
- Cet engagement ne ramènera pas la sécurité dans cette région
- Les deux parties devraient ouvrir une zone de libre passage

Votez

Voir les résultats

PUBLICITÉ

Appropriate space and room for storage

DECLARATION DU CAMBRIOLAGE

Par la présente, le Département Pédiatrique des Cliniques Universitaires déclare le cambriolage de son Laboratoire dans la nuit du 5 au 6 juin, ces inciviques avaient forcés la porte et avaient réussi emporter les articles ci-dessous :

- Un Imprimante HP 1006
- Ordinateur marque Deel
- Un stabilisateur 2000W
- Une cafetière
- Un carton de 300 pipettes de transferts stérile de 1ml



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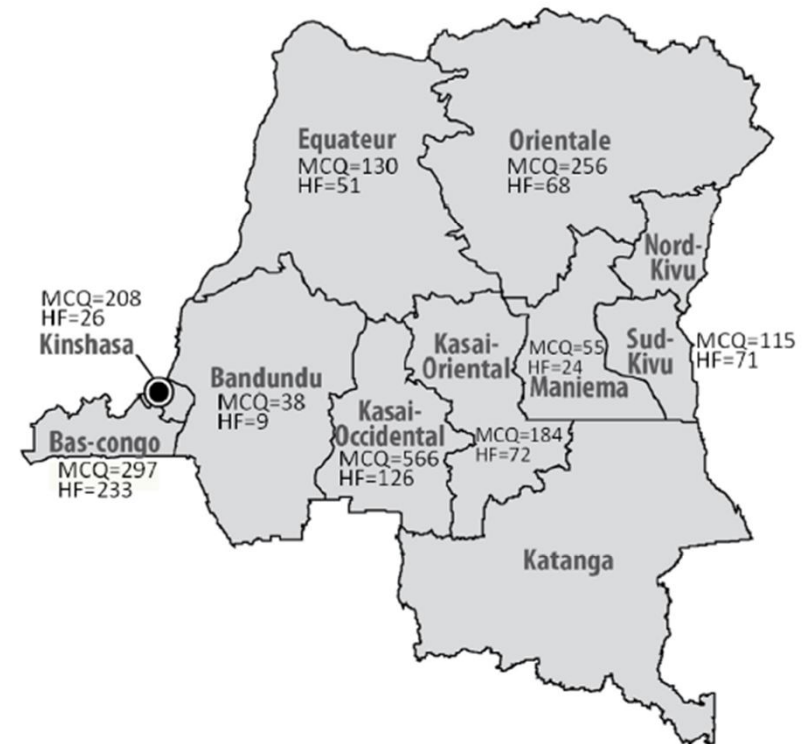


Figure 2. Location of 1849 eligible MCQ answers (MCQ) and of 680 health facilities (HF) participating in the EQA.
doi:10.1371/journal.pone.0071442.g002



Table 15: Stock of malaria RDT available in health facilities at the time of survey (n= 902) (1)

| Type de Structure | stock | | | | Total |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|-------------|------------|--------------|
| | 0 to < 25 | 25 to 100 | 100 to 250 | > 250 | |
| Referral Hospital | 65 | 26 | 22 | 32 | 145 |
| Referral Health Center | 50 | 26 | 25 | 6 | 107 |
| Health Center | 230 | 151 | 100 | 47 | 528 |
| Health Post | 39 | 10 | 50 | 1 | 100 |
| Other | 12 | 4 | 3 | 3 | 22 |
| Total | 396 | 217 | 200 | 89 | 902 |
| % | 43.9 | 24.1 | 22.2 | 9.9 | 100.0 |

***: Including 1 Provincial laboratory**



Table 16: Stock out of malaria RDT reported by health facilities during 1 year (July 2012 to October 2013). Eligible answers: 873 (1)

| Type de Structure | Stock out | | Total |
|------------------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| | Yes | No | |
| Referral Hospital | 95 (69.3%) | 42 (30.7%) | 137 |
| Referral Health Centre | 75 (72.1%) | 29 (27.9%) | 104 |
| Health Center | 364 (71.1%) | 148 (28.9%) | 512 |
| Health Post | 30 (30.3%) | 69 (69.7%) | 99 |
| Other | 16 (76.2%) | 5 (23.8%) | 21 |
| Total | 580 | 293 | 873 |
| % | 66.4 | 33.6 | 100.0 |



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Four different malaria RDT brands were used (not specified in 11.5% of health facilities): (i) Paracheck Pf-Rapid Test (Biomedical Systems, Goa, India, 77/680, 11.3%); (ii) SI Ag Pf/Pan (394/680, 57.9%) which is the RDT recommended by the PNLP; (iii) SD Malaria antigen (Standard Diagnostics, Inc., Kyonggi-do, Korea, 99/680) and; (iv) SD Malaria antigen Pf (32/680, 4.7%). SI antigen Pf/Pv exclusively circulated in Kasai Occidentale and Nord-Kivu where it was used in half of the participating health facilities (respectively 62/126 and 37/71), while in Maniema Paracheck Pf-Rapid Test was used (22/24).

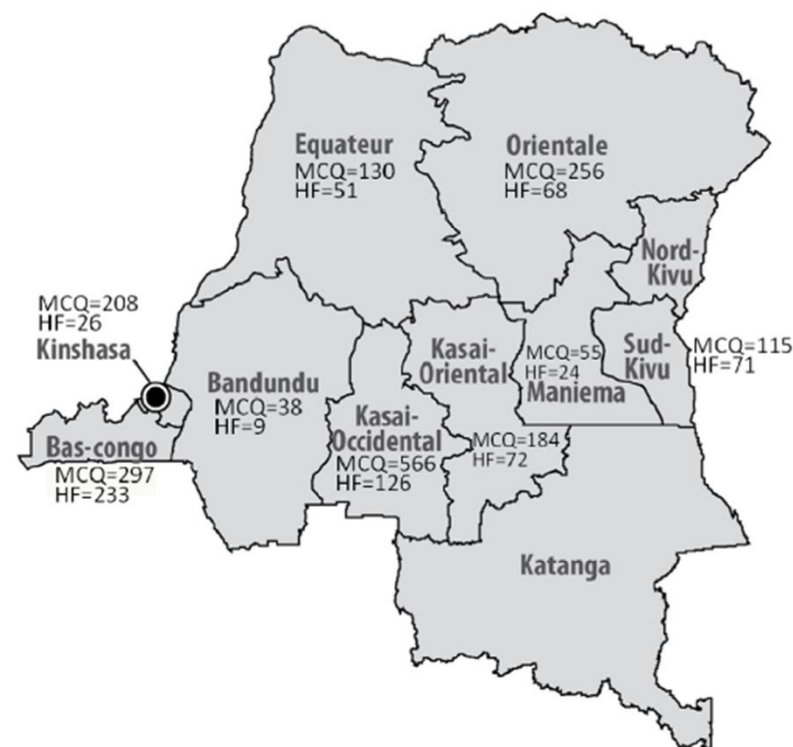


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End-user errors

Community
Health Workers

Laboratory Staff

Clinical staff

Travellers



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TABLE 2. Errors committed by RDT end-users in malaria endemic settings. Study subjects were village or **community health workers** (Cambodia, Lao PDR, Mali, The Philippines and Zambia), **staff of peripheral health centres** (Malawi, Sudan and Uganda) and **hospital laboratory staff** (Mozambique and DR Congo). **All subjects had been trained in RDT use and performance**

| Errors ranked according to chronology of test procedure | Effects/Comments | Countries | References |
|--|---|---|-----------------------|
| Not checking expiration date of the device | Confusion may arise from the way of displaying the expiry date [70] | Lao PDR, The Philippines, Uganda, Zambia | [21,70,73,74] |
| Not checking the humidity indicator of the desiccant | Humidity weakens the bonds between antibodies and nitrocellulose strip and delays particle re-solubilization [72] | Laos PDR, The Philippines, Zambia | [73,74] |
| Not using gloves | Gloves protect from blood-borne infection | Zambia | [21,73] |
| Reusing the same gloves for different patients | | Uganda, Zambia | [21,70] |
| Not identifying the cassette with the patients' name or laboratory number | Risk of inversion of results between patients | Zambia | [21,73] |
| Not cleaning/disinfecting the finger before pricking | | Lao PDR, The Philippines, Uganda, Zambia | [21,70,73,74] |
| Not allowing the finger to dry after cleaning and before pricking | Antiseptic needs enough action time | Lao PDR, The Philippines, Zambia | [21,73,74] |
| Reusing a lancet for a next patient | | Zambia | [21] |
| Destenizing the lancet before use (by touching the bench or hands) | | Zambia | [21] |
| Pricking the wrong place on the finger (palmar instead of lateral side) | Pricking the palmar side of the finger is more painful than pricking at the side | Zambia | [21] |
| Not throwing the lancet in a sharps container | | Zambia | [21,73] |
| Dispensing the wrong volume of blood or not completely transferring the blood to the sample well (leaving blood on the wall of the well) | 1 Insufficient volume of blood may cause false-negative results 2 Too much blood may increase the risk or the intensity of a prozone effect [56] 3 Too much blood will cause decreased clearance of the strip | Malawi, Sudan, Uganda, Zambia | [21,70,73,106,107] |
| Distributing blood into the buffer well and/or buffer into the sample well | Sample and buffer well are not always unequivocally labelled [68] | Laos PDR, The Philippines | [74] |
| Substituting the buffer by another liquid (e.g. distilled water) | Use of any other liquid than the buffer provided in the RDT's kit may cause false-positive results [95] | Mali, Mozambique | [108] |
| Dispensing the wrong volume of buffer | 1 Insufficient volume of buffer will impede clearance of the strip and/or slow down migration with failure to generate a control line (invalid test results) [109] 2 Too high volume of buffer may cause false-positive results due to non-specific bindings | Lao PDR, Sudan, The Philippines, Uganda, Zambia | [21,70,73,74,106] |
| Not using a levelled surface to place the cassette | Decreasing of the migration time may cause false-negative results[110] | DR Congo, Lao PDR, Sudan, The Philippines, Zambia | [21,74,106] |
| Not discarding the used materials correctly | | Lao PDR, The Philippines, Zambia | [21,73,74] |
| Not respecting the correct reading time | 1 Reading too early may cause false-negative results 2 Reading too late may cause false-positive results due to a backflow phenomenon [111] | Lao PDR, Malawi, Sudan, The Philippines, Uganda, Zambia | [21,70,73,74,106,107] |
| Disregarding faint or weak test lines as negative | Faint test lines may be difficult to see, particularly in unfavourable light conditions (night shifts) and by elderly readers [55,70] | DR Congo^a, Lao PDR, The Philippines, Zambia | [21,73,74] |
| Not recognizing invalid test results | Interpreting line intensities as indicative of disease severity (and installing treatment accordingly) | DR Congo^a, Zambia | [73] |
| Not interpreting correctly a three- band RDT | Line intensity is not related to severity | Lao PDR, The Philippines, Uganda, | [70,74] |
| | Difficulties in defining the species involved based on the test line results | DR Congo^a, Sudan | [106] |

^aPierre Mukadi et al., Challenges in Malaria Research: Progress Towards Elimination, Switzerland, 10–12 October 2012.

End-user's errors

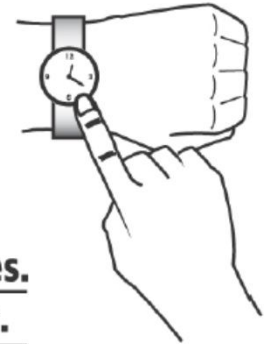
1. Reading beyond the recommended time
2. Application of too much volume
3. Disregarding faint lines as positive
4. Problems with species identification
5. Failure to recognize invalid results
6. Buffer replacement or exchange



Delayed Reading (Backflow)

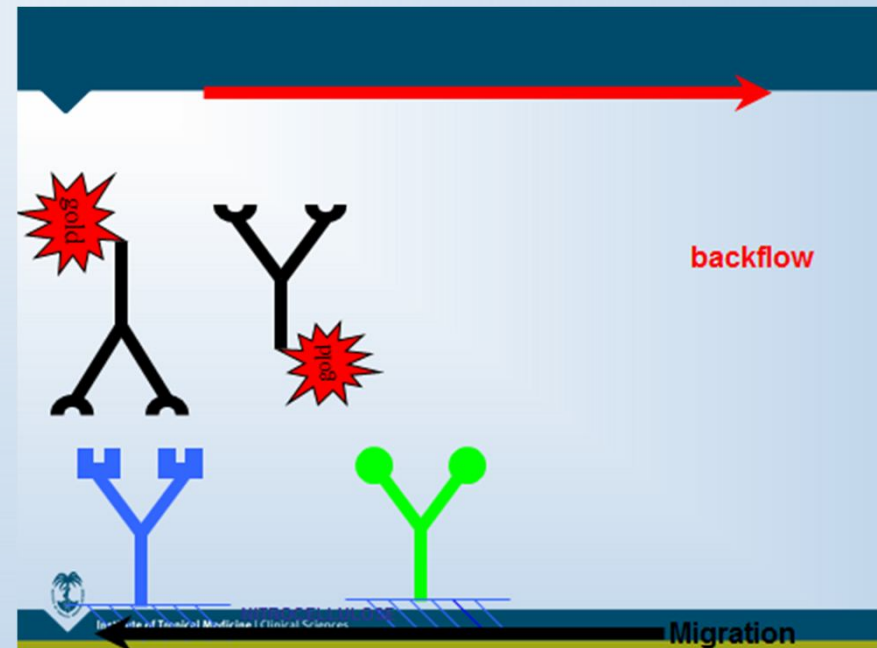
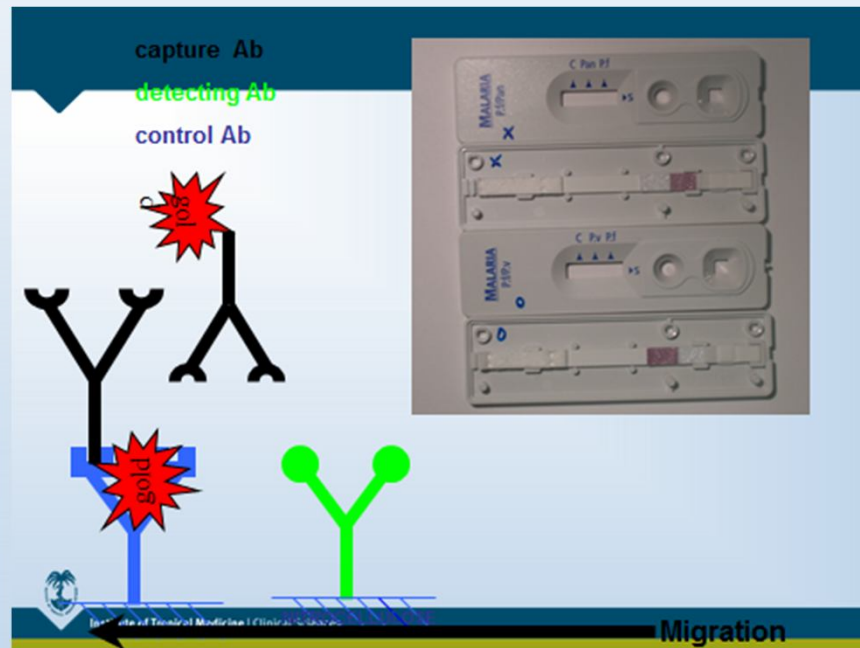
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20~30 mins

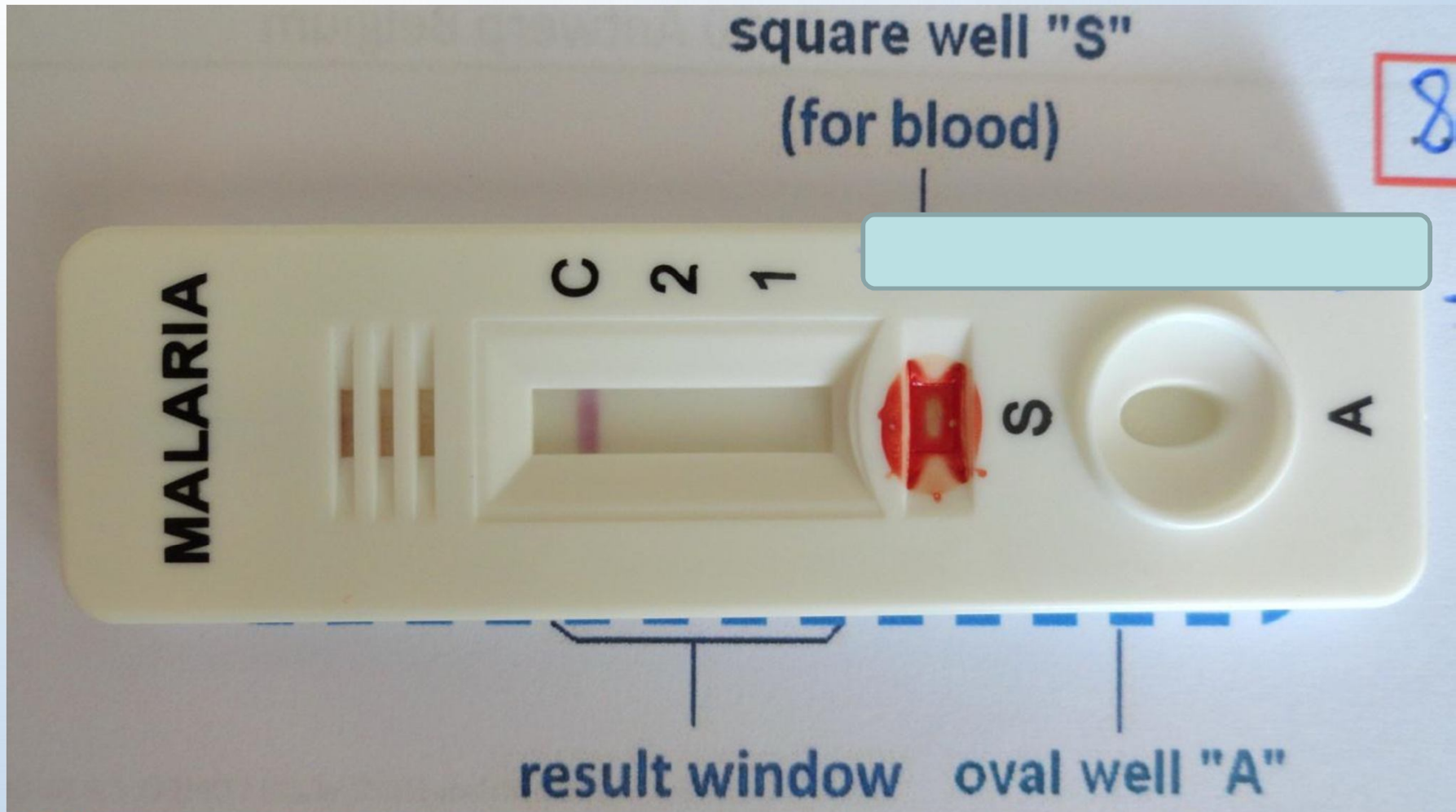


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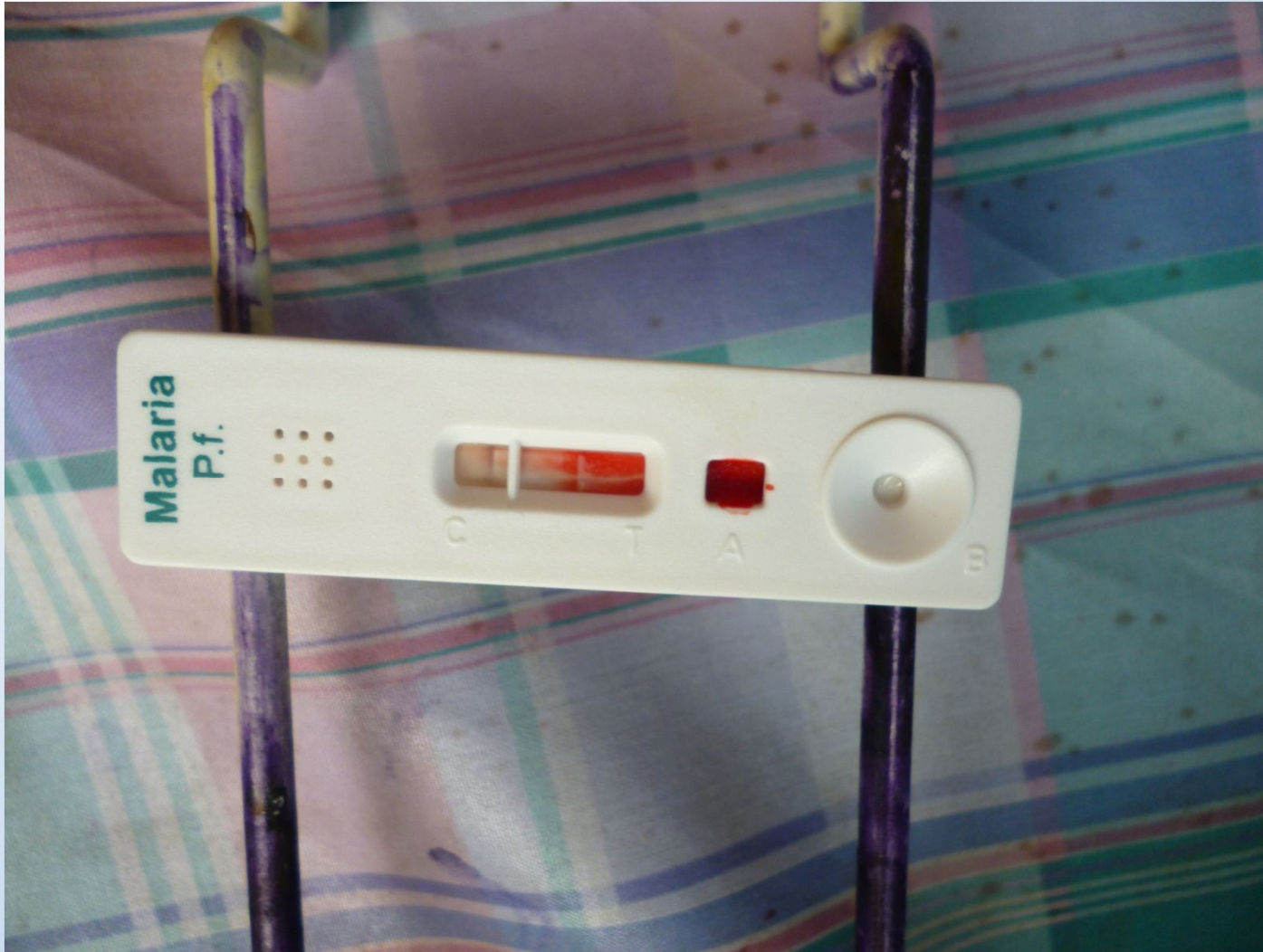
Don't read test results after 30 minutes.
Reading too late can give false results.



Application of too much blood...



and again...













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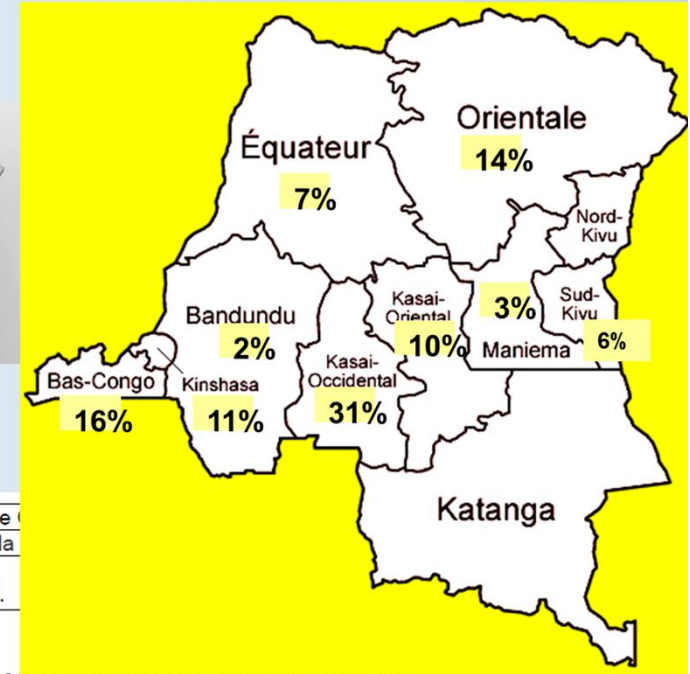
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Reading and interpretation

Test de Diagnostic Rapide (TDR) du paludisme, SD BIOLINE, MALARIA Ag P.f./Pan (FK60)

| | | |
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|  | A | 1 Invalide, test à refaire 2 Négatif 3 Positif <i>Plasmodium falciparum</i> 4 Positif <i>Plasmodium falciparum</i> , infection mixte possible 5 Positif <i>Plasmodium non-falciparum</i> 6 Positif <i>Plasmodium</i> mais je ne sais pas quelle sorte |
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Gardez cette page pour comparer vos résultats avec les résultats corrects qui vous seront envoyés à la fin de l'




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PROCÉDURE POUR REpondre A L'EEQ_20

1. Notez les résultats de votre interprétation pour chaque test (voir photos des TDRs) dans la grille « Code résultats » en mettant le numéro de la réponse correcte sous la lettre de la photo.

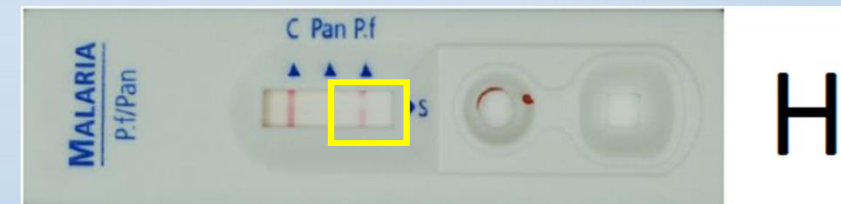
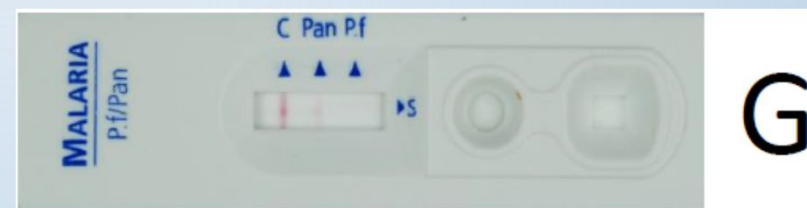
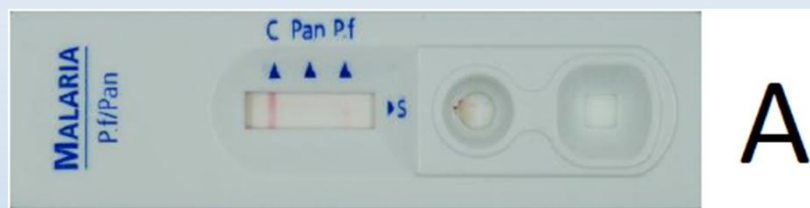
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Exemple : Vous pensez que la bonne réponse pour Photo A est la réponse 6.

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**(i) Overlooking faint/weak test lines as negative results
(A, D, G, H) : 1.5 to 29.1%**

| Photograph | Reported result (%) N= 2344 | | | | | |
|------------|-----------------------------|----------|----------------------|---|-------------------------------|---------------------------------------|
| | Invalid | Negative | <i>P. falciparum</i> | <i>P. falciparum</i> , mixed infection possible | <i>P. non- falciparum</i> | Positive, but species not known |
| A | 6.9 | 29.1 | 54.8 | 3.0 | 1.7 | 4.5 |
| D | 5.1 | 1.5 | 24.3 | 65.7 | 1.3 | 2.1 |
| G | 6.4 | 7.2 | 6.1 | 4.7 | 70.7 | 4.9 |
| H (weak) | 3.5 | 1.5 | 85.9 | 4.4 | 2.9 | 1.8 |



Faint test lines

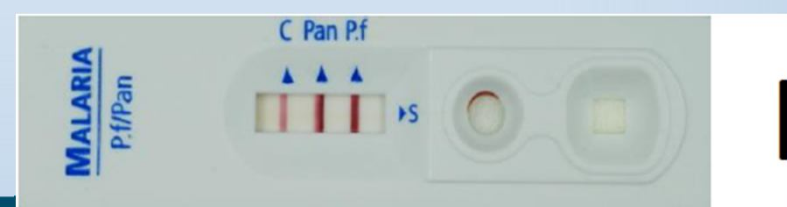
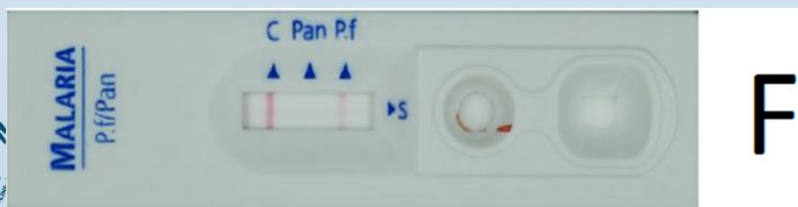
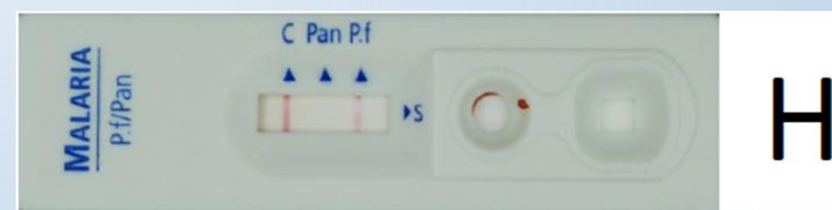
Night shifts

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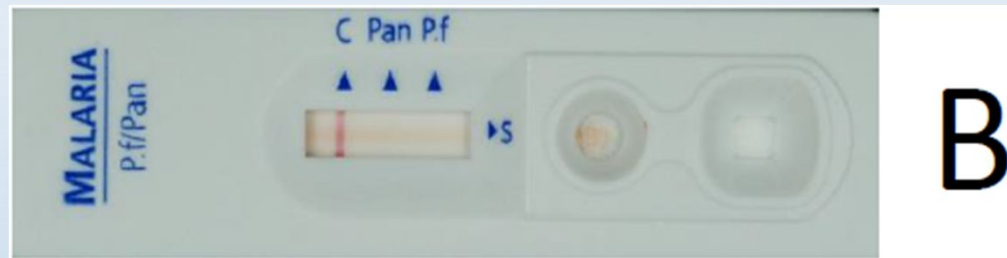
**(ii) Failure to distinguish the correct *Plasmodium* species
(D, F, H, I) : 3.4 to 7.0%**

| Photograph | Reported result (%) N= 2344 | | | | | |
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| | Invalid | Negative | <i>P. falciparum</i> | <i>P. falciparum</i> , mixed infection possible | <i>P. non- falciparum</i> | Positive, but species not known |
| D | 5.1 | 1.5 | 24.3 | 65.7 | 1.3 | 2.1 |
| F | 3.9 | 3.3 | 82.8 | 3.0 | 3.2 | 3.8 |
| H | 3.5 | 1.5 | 85.9 | 4.4 | 2.9 | 1.8 |
| I | 2.0 | 0.6 | 4.1 | 89.9 | 1.1 | 2.3 |



iii) Overlooking negative test (B, E): 10.0 & 12.4%

| Photograph | Reported result (%) N= 2344 | | | | | |
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| | Invalid | Negative | <i>P. falciparum</i> | <i>P. falciparum</i> , mixed infection possible | <i>P. non- falciparum</i> | Positive, but species not known |
| B | 5.2 | 90.0 | 2.6 | 0.4 | 0.7 | 1.0 |
| E | 6.5 | 87.6 | 2.1 | 1.8 | 1.0 | 1.0 |



B



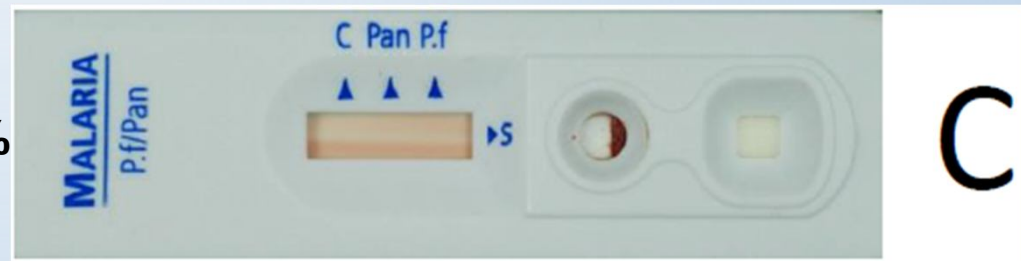
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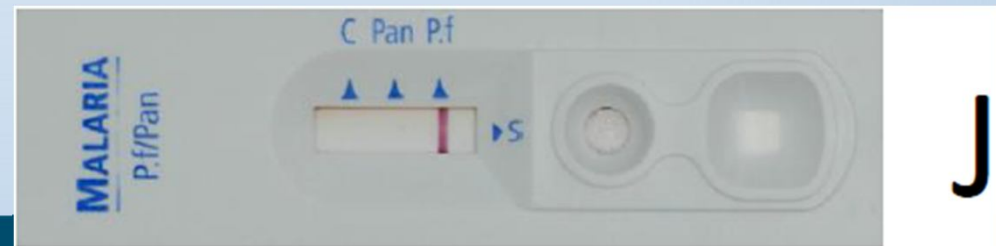
iv) Not detecting Invalid test (C, J): 8.4 & 23.6%

| Photograph | Reported result (%) N= 2344 | | | | | |
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| | Invalid | Negative | <i>P. falciparum</i> | <i>P. falciparum</i> , mixed infection possible | <i>P. non- falciparum</i> | Positive, but species not known |
| C | 91.6 | 6.1 | 0.9 | 0.6 | 0.3 | 0.4 |
| J | 76.4 | 6.6 | 7.4 | 1.0 | 1.0 | 7.6 |

➤ No control line, no test line: 8.4%



➤ No control line,
presence of test line: 23.6%

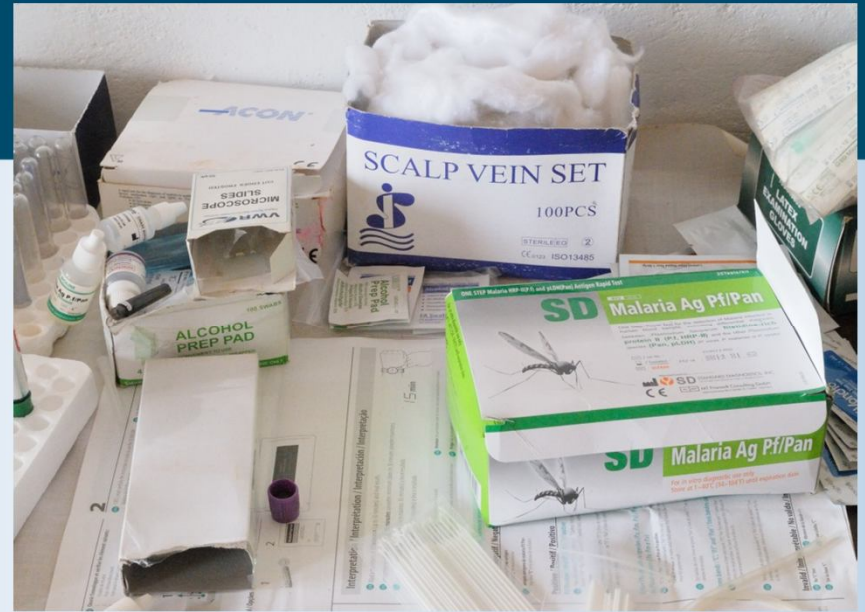


Buffer substitution in malaria rapid diagnostic tests causes false-positive results

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Can we use water when we are running out of buffer?





Compliance with results: the clinician

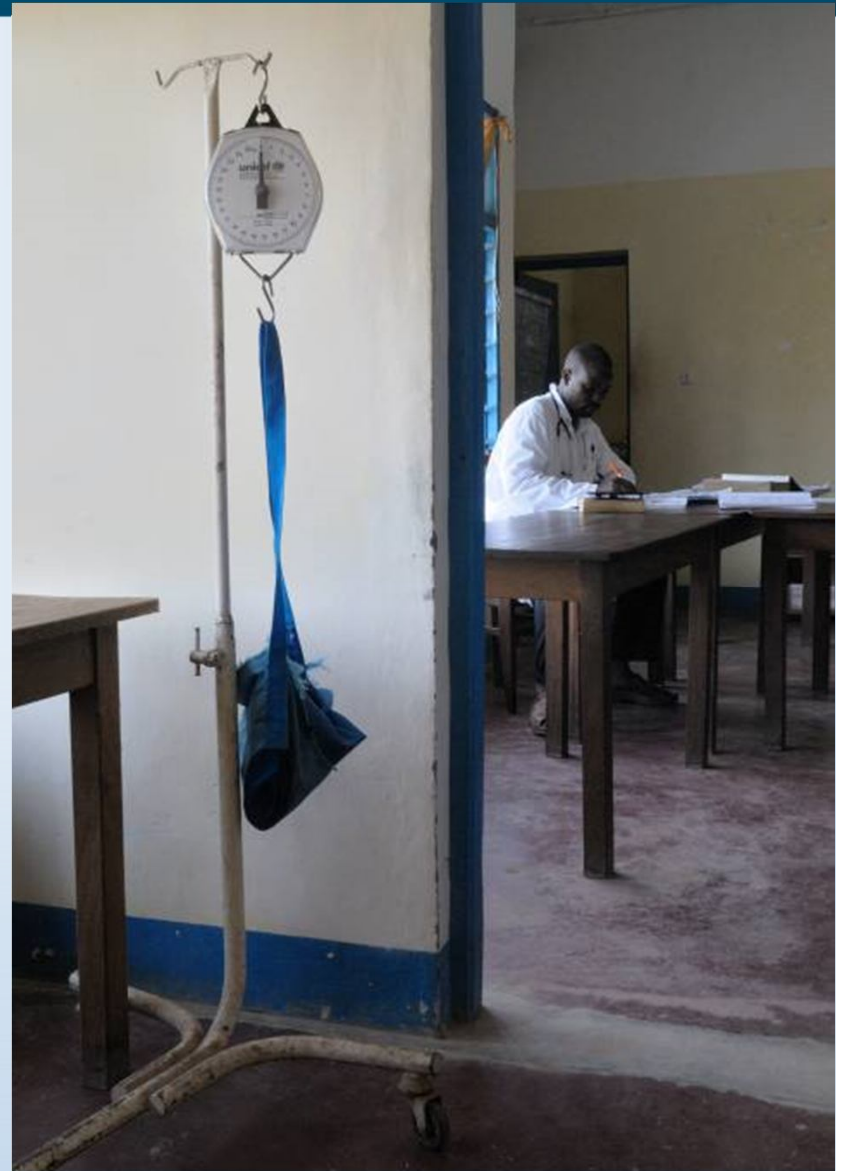
**Disregarding negative RDT result
(17% – 50%)**

More prescription of antibiotics

**Anecdotal failures or perceived
errors may erode confidence
(prozone, HRP-2 deletions...)**

**Clinical algorithms – mixed
malaria/bacterial infections**

**Diagnostic tools for non-malaria
febrile illness are required to
increase compliance**



Patient and Public perception

Patient looks “over the shoulder”
(at the cost of the doctor’s clinical eye)

Patient wants to be taken seriously
- antibiotic prescribing?



The expanded market : need for harmonization

Expansion of RDT market = unprecedented
200 RDT products, 60 manufacturers

Diversity of products and **issue of quality**
shape, transfer device device
volume specimen numbers of drops, reading time...

ASSURED

Training

Procurement and Supply

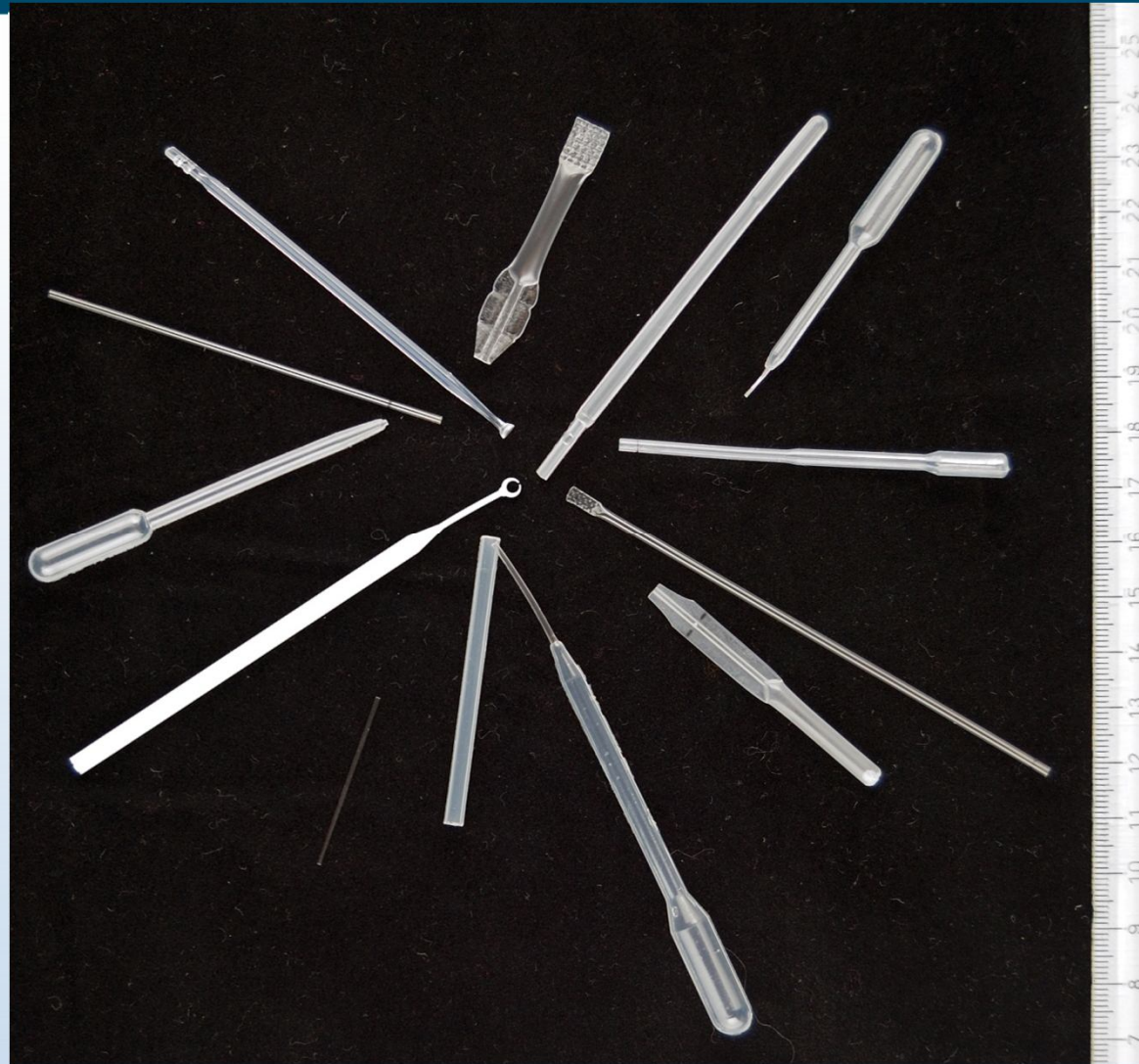
Switching from one product to another (market strategy)



Design and labeling of cassettes



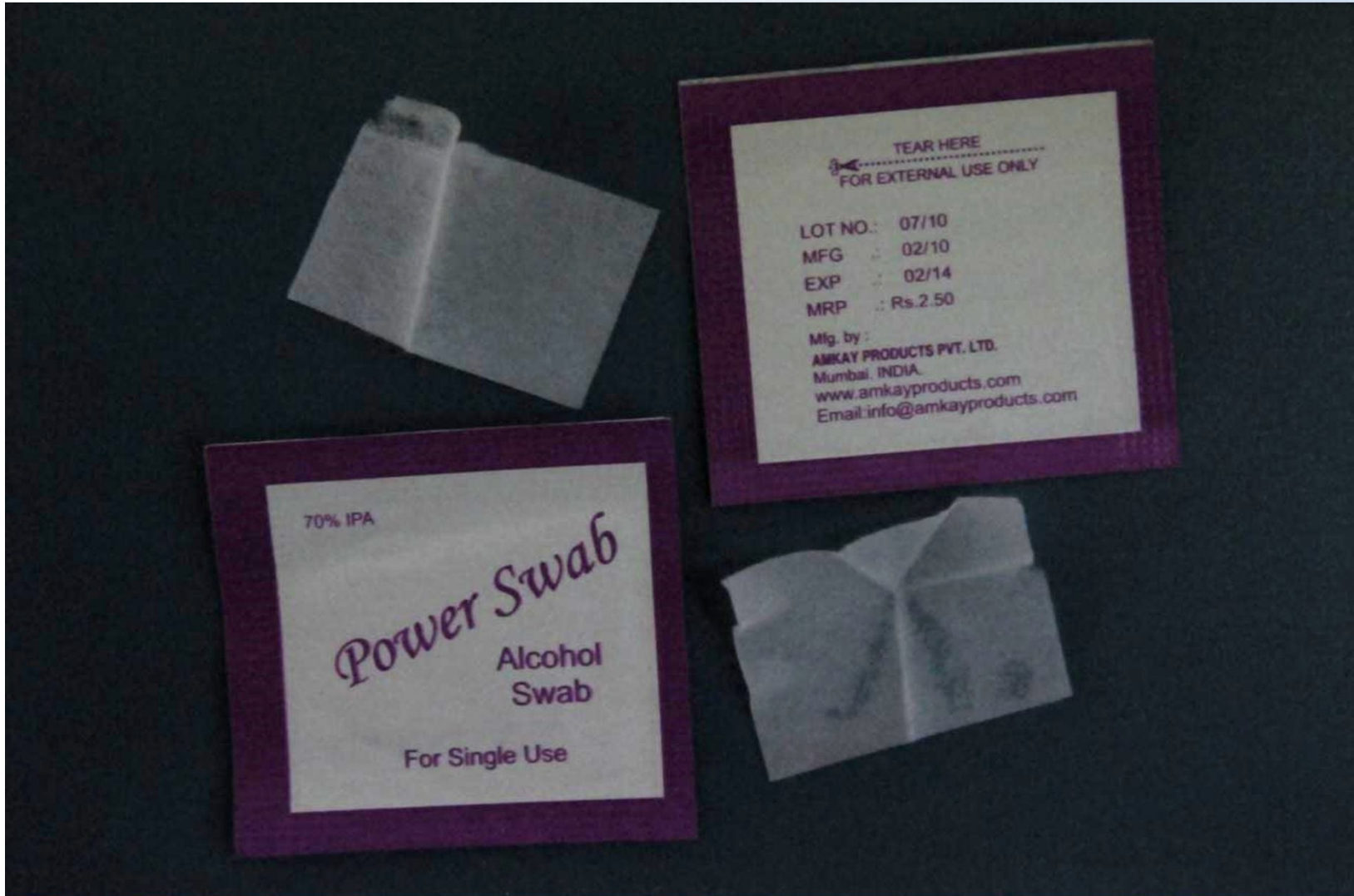
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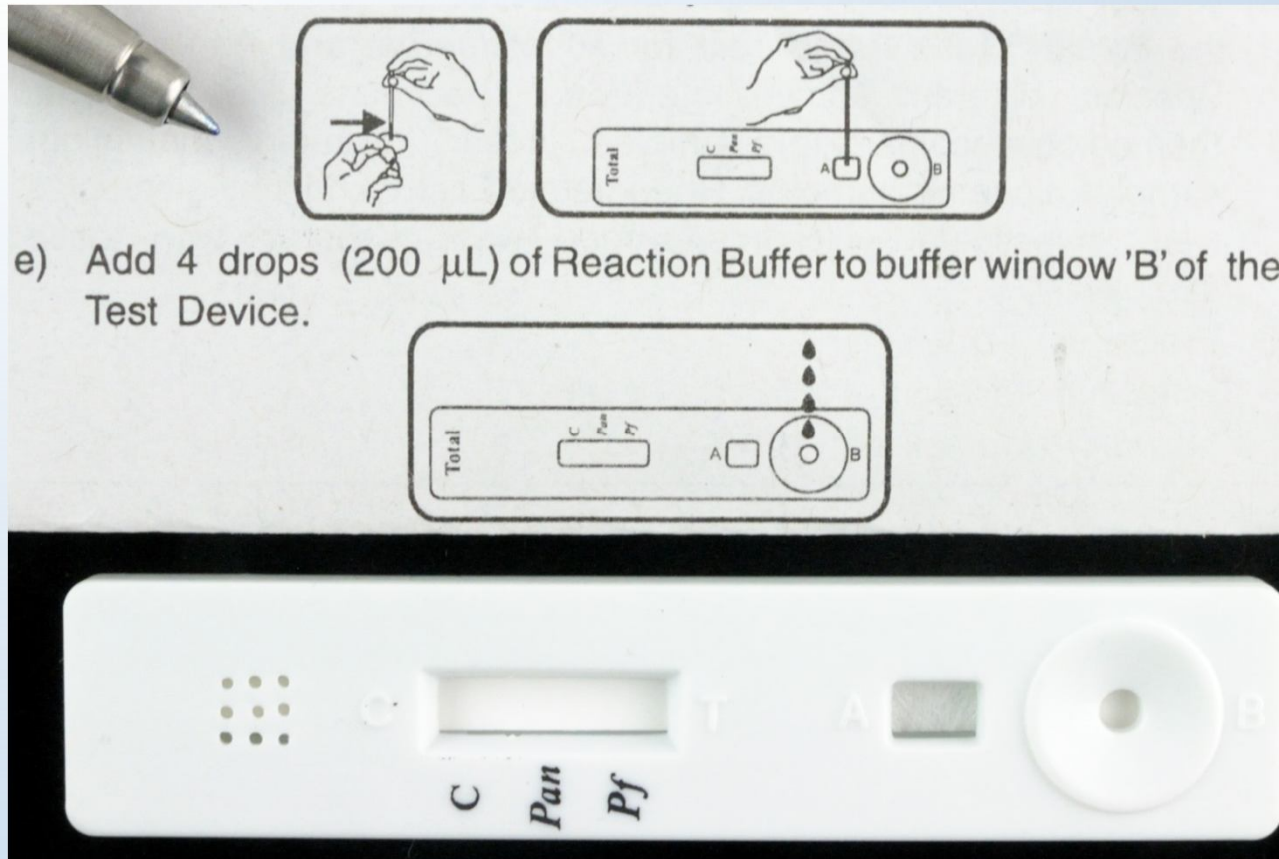
Instructions for use: readability

- Too high readability level (>9 years of education needed)
- User-unfriendly typography
- Poor printing/paper quality

LIMITATIONS OF THE TEST

1. As with all diagnostic tests, the test result must always be correlated with clinical findings.
2. The results of test are to be interpreted within the epidemiological, clinical and therapeutic context. When it seems indicated, the parasitological techniques of reference should be considered (microscopic examination of the thick smear and thin blood films).
3. Any modification to the above procedure and / or use of other reagents will invalidate the test procedure.
4. The device and buffer of different lots must not be mixed and used.
5. In case of mixed infection (*P. falciparum* with other malarial species), both, 'Pf' and 'Pan' malaria band will be positive. Hence differentiation of infection due to *P. vivax*, *P. ovale* or *P. malariae* cannot be done.
6. While monitoring therapy, using the 'Pan' band, if the reaction of the test remains positive with the same intensity after 5-10 days, post treatment, the possibility of a resistant strain of malaria has to be considered.
7. Usually, the 'Pan' band turn negative after successful anti malarial therapy. However, since treatment duration and medication used affect the clearance of parasites, the test should be repeated after 5-10 days of start of treatment.
8. In *P. falciparum* malaria infection, HRP-2 is not secreted in the gametogony stage. Hence, in "Carriers", the HRP-2 band may be absent.
9. HRP-2 levels, post treatment persist upto 15 days, the 'Pan' band can be used to monitor success of therapy, in *P. falciparum* malaria cases.
10. In a few cases, where the HRP-2 band is positive and the 'Pan' malaria band is negative, it may indicate a case of post treatment malaria. However, such a reaction pattern may also be obtained in a few cases of untreated malaria. Retesting after 2 days is advised, in such cases.
11. Most blood samples clear within running the test. However, in a few fresh samples and especially in stored samples, the background clearance may be delayed for 15-20 minutes more. In such cases it is strongly recommended to extend the reading time by another 15 minutes so that the results can be interpreted against a clear background.

Point-of-care testing



ASSAY PROCEDURE

1. Dispense 1 drop (10 μ l) of whole blood to the "S" well using the plastic dropper provided according to the figure.
2. Add three drops of Sample Diluent to the "D" well after
3. Interpret test results at 15 minutes.

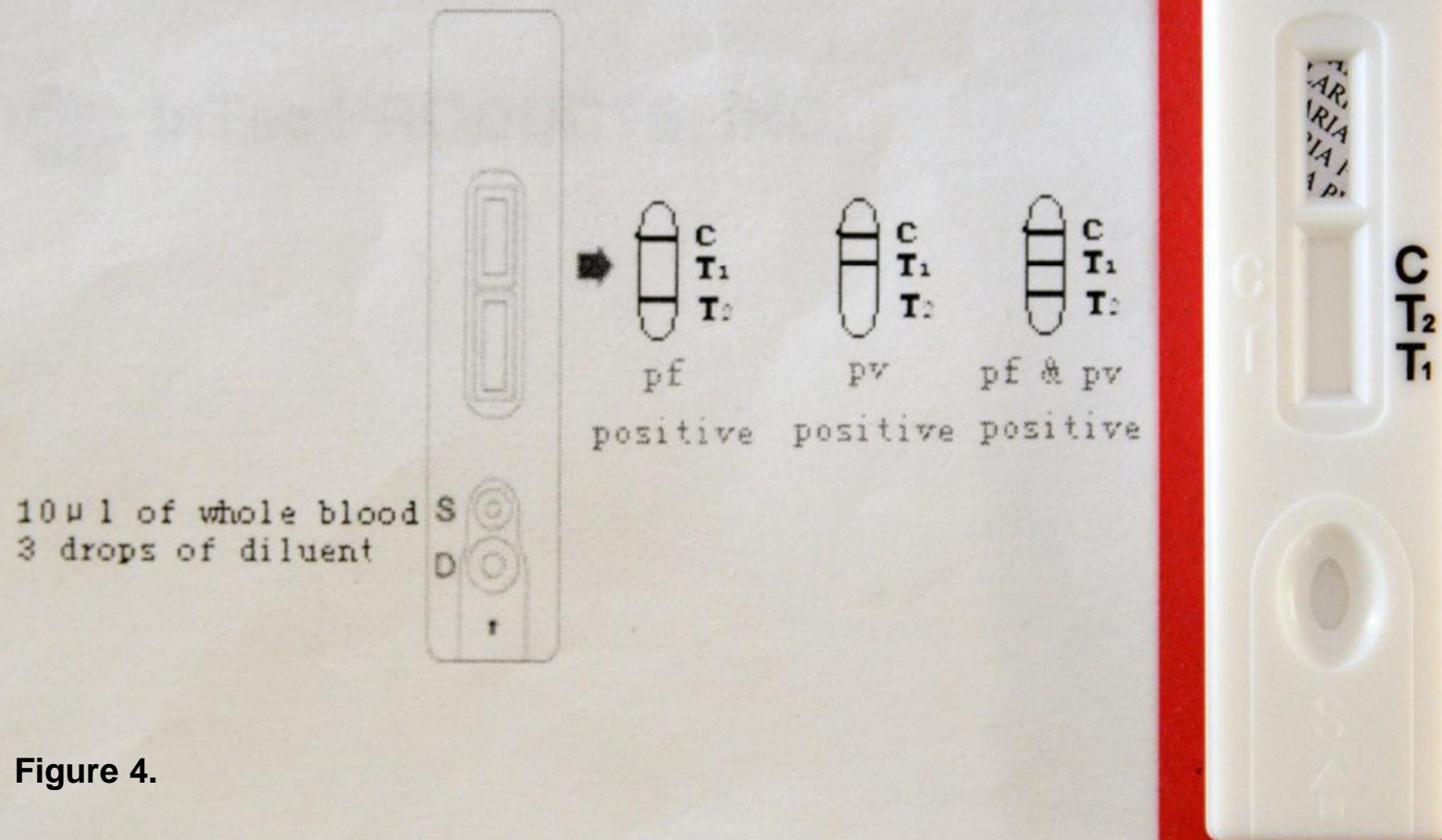


Figure 4.



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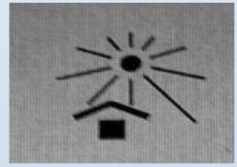


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**Compilation of "best practices"
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In-vitro diagnostics: risk management, labeling

IVDs are part of Medical Devices
(tongue depressors to pacemakers)

Labeling = labels + instructions for use

Regulation of IVDs targets = based on risk assessment.

Risks of IVDs are minimized by design, construction and manufacturing .

Communication of any residual risk = provided by labeling.

Labeling should target the user's profile

= explicit regulatory responsibility of the manufacturer

Guidelines for lay-out and readability are not easy to compile



International Medical Device Regulators Forum (IMDRF) (<http://www.imdrf.org/>)

Australia, Brazil, Canada, the European Union, Japan, nited States of America, China and the Russian Federation

WHO is observer

Guidance documents but **non-binding**

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“Label and Instructions for Use for Medical Devices” (GHTF/SG1/N70:2011)



International Organization for Standardization (ISO) (<http://www.iso.org/iso/home.html>)

Federation of national standard bodies

ISO 18113 “In vitro diagnostic medical devices - Information supplied by the manufacturer (labelling)”

ISO 15223 “Medical devices-Symbols to be used with medical device labels, labelling and information to be supplied”

ISO documents are copyrighted



European Union (EU) : IVDD 98/79/EC

Regulatory framework = **EU Directive**

“In Vitro Diagnostic Medical Device Directive (IVDD 98/79/EC)”

- currently under revision
- to be adopted by each of the member countries

CEN-documents: The European Committee for Standardization (CEN) works out the Directives

- European Standard EN 980 "Symbols for Use in the Labeling of Medical Devices".
- ISO and CEN have close interaction EN980 = ISO 15223 standard

MEDDEVs = guidelines produced by experts

MEDDEV.2.14/3 rev.1 "IVD GUIDANCES: Supply of Instructions for Use (IFU) and other information for In-vitro Diagnostic (IVD) Medical Devices"



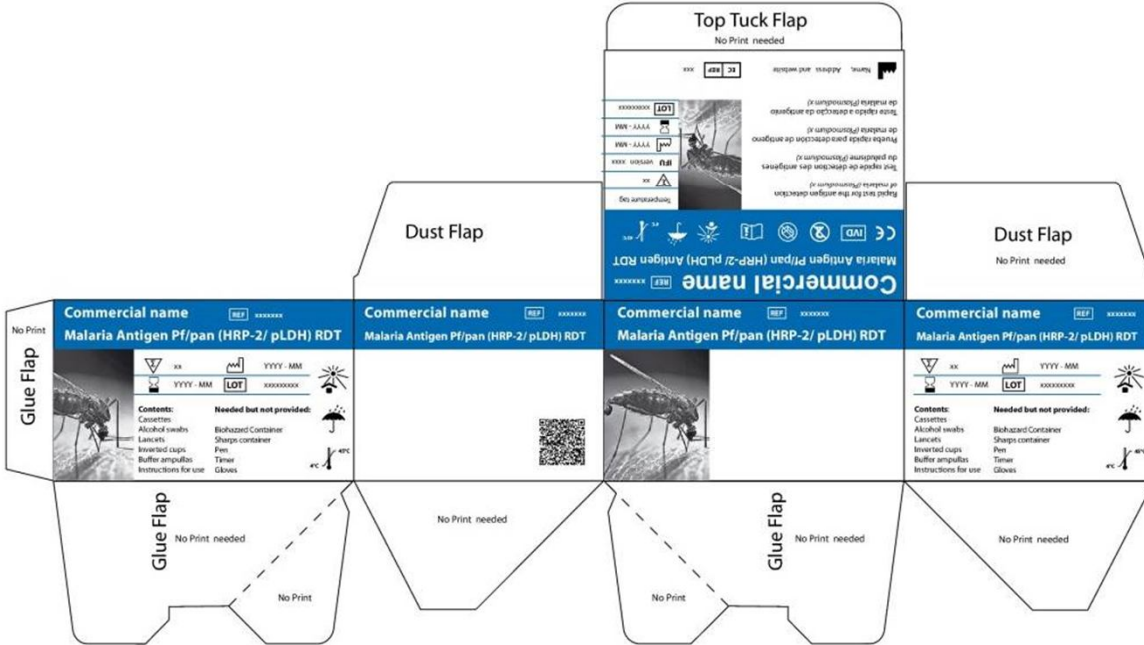
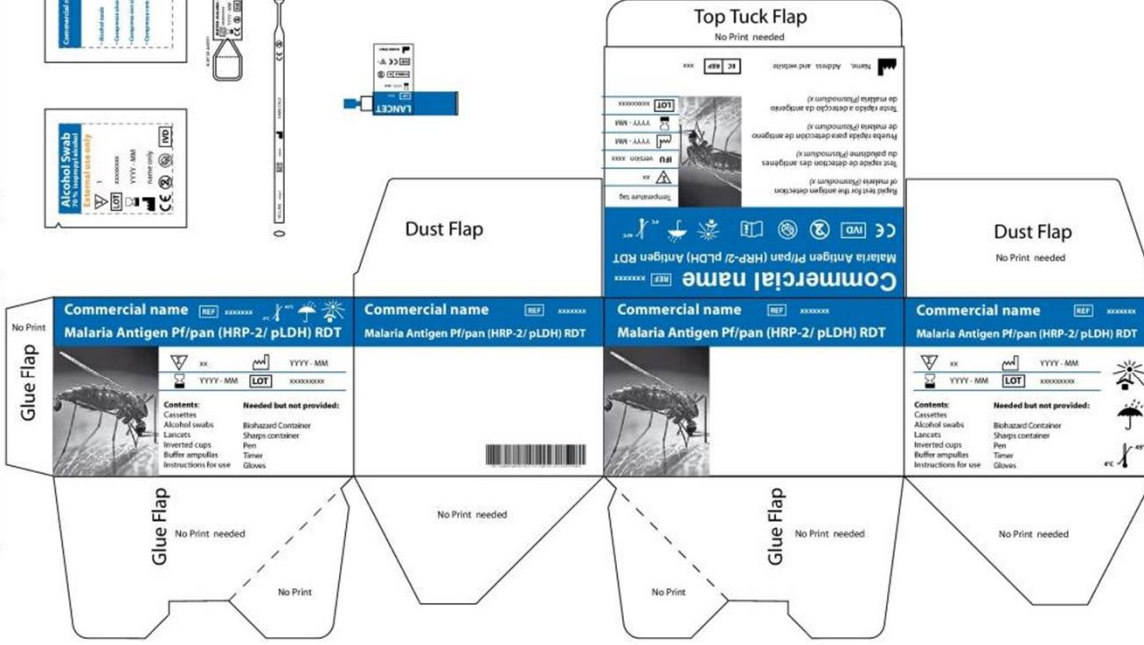
USA Food and Drug Administration (FDA) (<http://www.fda.gov/>)

Title 21 of the Code of Federal Regulations, **Part 809 (21 CFR 809.10)**

Requirements are in line with those described in IMDRF guidelines and ISO/CEN standards



Poging om dezelfde informatie op de minibox te plaatsen
 lieft in ongeveer hetzelfde corps én ongeveer eenzelfde schikking.

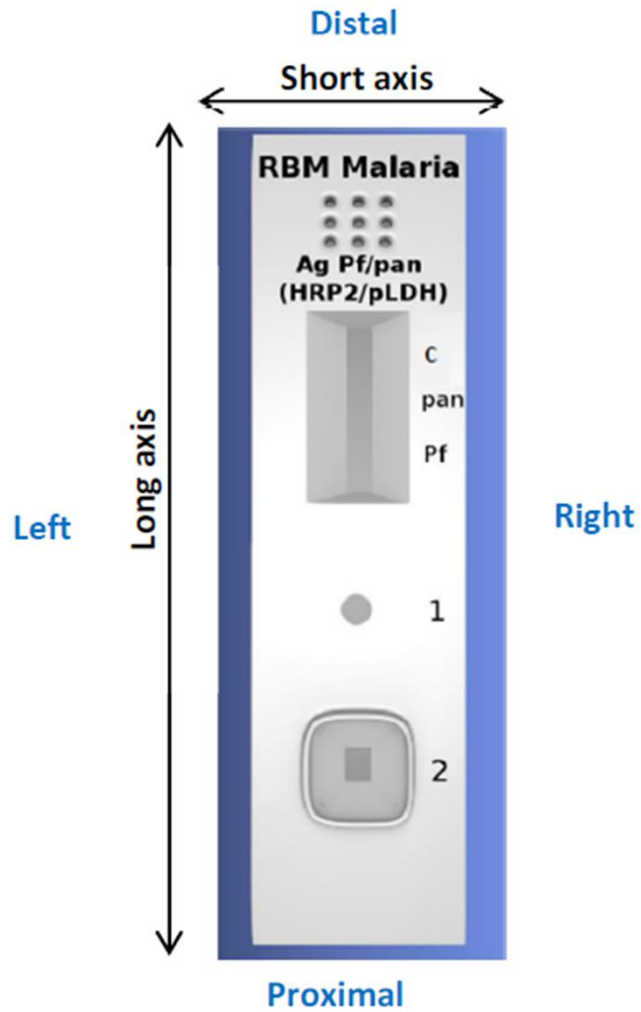


Harmonization/Standardization & User friendliness

“Bluebox” = labeling, instructions



Harmonization of RDTs "Blue Box"



Additional file 1. Suggested terms and abbreviations related to malaria RDTs

1. Recommended terms

| Preferred Term | Description | Comments/synonyms (not suggested term) |
|------------------------|--|--|
| Accessories | Articles intended explicitly by its manufacturer to be used together with the RDT to achieve its intended purpose (<i>i.e.</i> specimen transfer device, lancet, alcohol swab). | Synonym: "ancillary items" |
| Alcohol swab | Gauze pad that is saturated with alcohol and used to clean and/or disinfect skin. | Synonym : "alcohol pad, alcohol wipe, alcohol pre pad" |
| Auto-transfer cassette | Cassette presenting with an opening which allows direct sampling of the blood on the nitrocellulose strip. | |

Generic Instructions for Use

2. Check the expiration date of the test.
If expired, do not use it but take another test from an unexpired kit.
3. Check that the cassette packaging is not damaged.
If damaged, discard the cassette packaging and use another test.
4. Open the cassette packaging and check the desiccant.
If there is a humidity indicator and it shows saturation (color changed from orange to green), throw away the cassette and take another cassette packaging.
If the color of the desiccant does not show a change, you can use the test.
Throw away the desiccant in the non-sharps disposal container.
5. Take the cassette and place it on a horizontal surface.
You see:
 - a result window (marked with C, pan, Pf)
 - a circle well marked "1" (for specimen)
 - a square well "2" (for buffer)
6. Write the patient name or patient identifier on the cassette.
7. Put on gloves. Use new gloves for each patient.
8. *Add if needed additional instructions on how to open the buffer bottle correctly – for instance, how to pierce the nozzle.*

! Perform the test immediately after opening of the cassette packaging.

! Do not re-use the test.



Take home messages

To design an excellent POC/RDT is one thing, to make it properly work at the point of care is another one...

To implement an excellent RDT is challenging

- production
- quality
- regulations
- transport, shipment
- user
- clinicians and patients

To be taken into account when developing new targets
(AB resistance!)





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