Σ - Virocult®
Virus Specimen Transport for Molecular and Culture Techniques

Virocult Medium
- Respiratory viruses
- STD’s
- Skin lesions
- Enteric viruses
- Compatible with molecular techniques
- Compatible with RT-PCR
- Compatible with culture

Σ - Swab®
- Open-celled foam bud
- Optimum absorption and release
- Optimum performance with molecular test systems

Σ - Virocult® features a unique open cell structure.

Part of the new generation of preanalyticals
**Σ-Virocult®**

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Σ-Virocult® combines Medical Wire’s open cell bud Sigma-Swab® with Virocult® medium, the leading transport medium for virus specimens.

**Σ-Virocult® just for viruses**

Virocult® has long been recognised as one of the best transport devices for viruses, demonstrating survival of many types of virus at ambient temperatures, including Herpes Simplex Virus, Varicella-Zoster Virus, Influenza Type A (including Novel H1N1, H5N1, and H3N2), Influenza Type B, respiratory syncytial virus, mumps virus, adenovirus, rhinovirus, and various enterovirus. Virocult® medium stabilises virus particles allowing long survival, and contains antimicrobials to prevent the growth of any bacteria and fungi present in the specimen.

**Σ-Virocult® best for collection**

Sigma-Virocult® is supplied with Sigma-Swab®, for optimum uptake and release of target microorganisms, and complete flow-through of reagents.

**Σ-Virocult® is available in a range of formats**

Standard Sigma-Swab® is suitable for general swab applications such as skin lesions, nose and throat. Mini-Tip Sigma-Swab® is suitable for nasopharyngeal and urethral sampling. It is stored at room temperature, with a shelf life of 1 year. Specimens, once collected, can be transported under ambient or refrigerator temperature conditions.

**Sigma-Swab®**

- Open-celled foam bud
- Optimum absorption and release
- Optimum performance with molecular test systems
- Standard shaft or ENT/urethral

**Virocult® medium**

- Optimum recovery of target organisms
- Optimum compatibility with molecular test systems
- Antibiotics inhibit bacteria and fungi
- Recover wide range of respiratory, genital and enteric viruses
- Transport specimens at ambient temperatures
- Choice of fill volume

References:

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Σ-Virocult® is CE-marked

Sigma-Virocult® conforms to the requirements of the European Medical Devices Directive and In Vitro Medical Devices Directives

Σ-Virocult® validated to M40-A

Virocult® & Sigma-Virocult® are validated according to CLSI’s M40-A standard for viral culture transport devices, which requires survival of reference strains for at least 96 hours at ambient or refrigerated temperatures.