

COLLECTION | TRANSPORT | RECOVERY

FLOQSwabs[™]

OPTIMAL SAMPLE COLLECTION AND DIAGNOSTICS



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FLOQSwabs[™]: **optimal diagnostics begin with better samples** and better samples are obtained by using proper sample collection methods. Copan has **designed** and **developed anatomically**¹ **shaped FLOQSwabs**[™] that optimize the **efficiency** of the target analyte collection with **improved patient comfort**⁵.

Copan's patient-oriented research and **FLOQSwabs**[™] patented technology resulted in **anatomically** and **ergonomically** designed collection systems that optimize sample uptake and yield.



> OPTIMAL SAMPLE COLLECTION AND RELEASE

Copan **FLOQSwabs**[™] use short fiber strands which create a thin absorbent layer allows to **rapidly and efficiently absorb** the target sample and dislodge cells. The entire sample stays close to the surface for **fast and complete elution**, thus providing **high sample yield** of **more than 90%** of the collected sample.

The graph compares the percentage Recovery of Influenza A infected cells from a **FLOQSwab[™] versus a traditional swab** (Rayon fiber tip), both spiked with 100uL inoculum of infected cells. Above data show that **FLOQSwabs[™] provide more than 90% recovery**² of the original 100uL inoculum versus no more than 40% recovery from a Traditional swab.





> IMPROVED ASSAY SENSITIVITY

- > FLOQSwabs[™] MEASURABLE AND CONSISTENT uptake and transfer from patient provides a quantitative measurment, which can improve the sensitivity³ of diagnostic tests and quality of diagnostics.
- > CUSTOM DESIGN OF FLOQSwabs[™] to optimize assay sensitivity, specificity, intuitive and simplified swab processing are also available upon request.



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> PATIENT FRIENDLY



> ERGONOMIC AND ANATOMIC DESIGNS

FLOQSwabs[™] are **safe**, **easy** and well tolerated collection devices and may offer a valid alternative to invasive, painful and costly collection procedures⁴.

> SOFT AND VELOUR

FLOQSwabs[™] that gently collects the sample improves patient **comfort**^{5.} COPAN has developed a dedicated product line specifically designed and intended for self-collection procedures⁶.

> DRY TRANSPORT OR LBM[™] RAPID ELUTION INTO LIQUID PHASE

FLOQSwabs[™] are **available** in different product formats: for **dry transport or** associated with a **liquid medium**. LBM[™] (Liquid Based Microbiology) is a comprehensive line of collection and preservation systems that incorporates FLOQSwabs[™] technology to **collect and elute the sample** in a liquid suspension **for different testing methodology** from the same sample. After collection, FLOQSwabs[™] safe and convenient molded break point allows to easily break the swab into a tube.





> DESIGNED FOR MULTIPLE APPLICATIONS AND WORKFLOWS

FLOQSwabs[™] are **designed for multiple applications and platforms** such as, molecular-based assays, rapid testing, bacteriology and virology culture to name a few. Starting from FLOQSwabs[™] technology, Copan has developed additional product lines dedicated to specific applications.



GENETICS

hDNAFLOQSwabs[™] are certified Free from amplifiable Human DNA, DNase and RNase, are ideal for DNA collection and transfer.



LBM™

including eSwab[™], UTM[™], eNAT[™], MSwab[™], etc - to provide optimized and tailored pre-analytical solutions for all testing needs and workflow.



READY TO PROCESS

LBM provides a ready-to-process solution, directly from the primary tube, WASP™ (Walk-away specimen processor) and Molecular Platforms.

ORDERING INFORMATION

Please contact info@copangroup.com for complete ordering information

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