Mobile COVID19 Monitoring in sewage with Orvion Udetect®





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Orvion

Environmental Biotechnology company near Gouda, the Netherlands

Focus on bioprocess control in water using DNA/RNA-techniques (NGS & qPCR)

Offering laboratory services, software and on-site qPCR technology (Orvion Udetect®)

R&D with own specialised biotechnology lab facilities





Orvion Udetect®: rapid on-site qPCR analysis



Bacteria/viruses < 2 hours without lab equipment

Three-step analysis - filtration (10 min), DNA isolation (20 min) and qPCR analyses (<1h).

Usable by operators after short training (online)

No cooling required

No electricity required except for the thermocycler (car battery)



How Udetect works



Filtration (± 10 minutes)



DNA / RNA isolation (± 20 minutes)



qPCR analysis (± 50 minutes)

Filtration of viruses: based on ENMF method





Available targets

- Escherichia coli
- Bacteroides dorei
- Legionella pneumophila
- Cyanobacteria toxin (mcyE)
- Salmonella enterica
- Pathogenic Leptospira
- Enterococcus spp
- SARS-CoV-2 (COVID-19) E-gene and N2-gene

Targets under construction

- Campylobacter spp
- Vibrio cholerae
- Cyanotoxins

Other kits developed at request





MoCOMo: on-site monitoring of Covid19 in sewage water, Kenya 2021

- Detection of Covid19 virus (E gene from 2019-nCoV Charité/Berlin and N2 gene from 2019-nCoV CDC assays) in sewage water with new Udetect RNA extraction protocol
- Quantification of Covid19 particles per millilitre of sample analysed (max. 40 cycles)
- RNA Extraction Control (REC) & Bacteroides RNA (matrix+control) included
- Proof of concept in the lab and first round of validation in Kenya (UN Habitat project in Kisumu and Nakuru) by local partners NAWASSCO, KIWASCO, KEMRI, UPANDE
- 2nd round in Kenya coming up (dec/jan 2021)







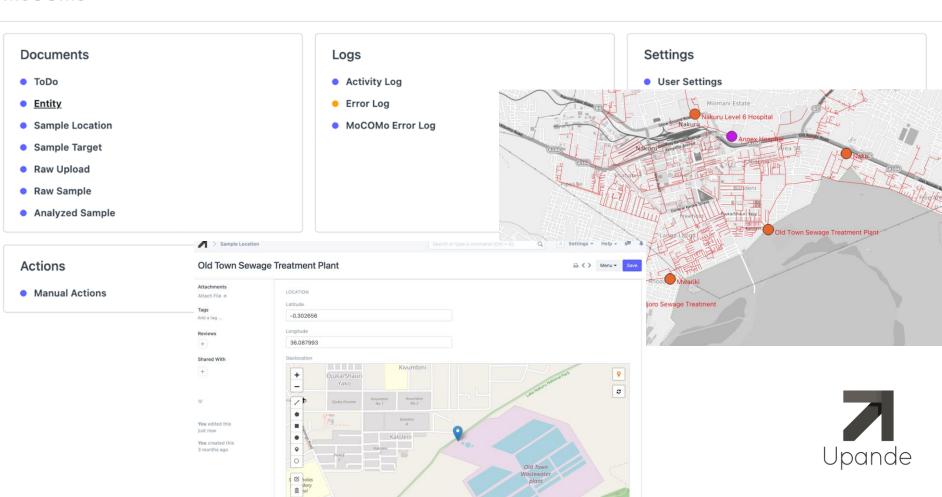




Upande Udetect software



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Results 1st round June/July 2021

							<u>REC</u>		<u>E gene</u>	N2 gene	N2 gene
sample#	<u>date</u>	<u>city</u>	<u>location</u>	<u>Hq</u>	<u>ml</u>	REC cq	<u>shift</u>	bact cq	<u>cq</u>	<u>cq</u>	copies ml
7	9-6-2021	Kisumu	District Hospital 1	8.19	20	30.44	12.28	15.21	na	36.98	7
9	9-6-2021	Kisumu	Kendu Pump	7.13	50	30.03	11.87	15.95	na	pos	
10	9-6-2021	Kisumu	Kisat treatment	7.39	50	30.28	12.12	15.56	na	pos	
16	1-7-2021	Kisumu	District Hospital	8.64	20	30.71	12.55	16.16	na	35.00	28
22	6-7-2021	Nakuru	Annex Hospital	8.10	20	29.96	11.80	19.73	na	32.88	127

- 60 samples total, 43 samples analysed, 17 used for training
- Total valid samples: 32 (74%) REC shift < 14, recovery > 1%
- Mean REC recovery: 4.7%
- 38 Bacteroides ok (88%), cq: 14 24
- 5 positives N2 gene (16 % of REC ok samples)
- 0 positive E gene



Discussion

- The method worked relatively well in Kenya
- New round 100 samples upcoming
- Volume filtrated was smaller than expected (needs work)
- No E gene found
- 5 positives for N2 gene: not much illness or mutations
- Fast results obtained (< 2 hours)
- No lab materials / apparatus, no cold chain needed
- Update primers / probes for mutations (N1 instead of E)









For more information and the latest updates, visit: www.udetect.eu

