

February 14, 2022

Expiry date notification

Dear valued QIAGEN customer,

With this letter we wish to provide you information of the expiration date for the Item:

QIAcard FTA Micro (100)

- Cat. No.: WB120210
- Batch No.: 16894228; 16945167; 16894222

Please be advised that the shelf life of FTA® Cards including the QIAcard FTA Micro (100) format was changed on February 2022.

The limiting factor for the expiration timeline is the stability of the chemicals placed on the card that are responsible for lysis of the cells.

Real time functional testing data has been generated using FTA® cards stored at room temperature (25°C and 60% relative humidity) for 4 and 5 years. At the four and five year timepoints cards were removed from storage and spotted with blood. Those samples were dried and STR profiles developed from the samples.

The data shows that there is no difference in STR quality for samples placed on FTA® cards within 5 years of manufacture if the cards have been stored at room temperature and controlled humidity. Therefore the overall shelf life of QIAcard FTA formats were extended from 3 years to 5 years from date of manufacture.

If the above mentioned product was stored at appropriate temperature and humidity the data ensures that the product expiry date can be extended up to the:

Batch No. 16894222 - 01. August. 2023

Batch No. 16894228 - 15. August 2023

Batch No. 16945167 - 23. February 2024

Best regards



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