

*Supplementary Table 8: Primer sequences used for the quantification of viral particles*

<b>Primer name</b>	<b>Sequence</b>
MERS N3 Forward	GGG TGT ACC TCT TAA TGC CAA TTC
MERS N3 Reverse	TCT GTC CTG TCT CCG CCA AT
MERS N3 probe	5'FAM-ACC CCT GCG CAA AAT CGT-BHQ1 3'
SARS-CoV-2 Forward	CAC ATT GGC ACC CGC AAT C
SARS-CoV-2 Reverse	GAG GAA CGA GAA GAG GCT TG
SARS-CoV-2 Probe	5'FAM-ACT TCC TCA AGG AAC AAC ATT GCC A-BHQ1 3'