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## **Detectability of Omicron Subtype EG.5 (Eris) and Subline EG.5.1 with the NADAL® COVID-19 Ag Tests**

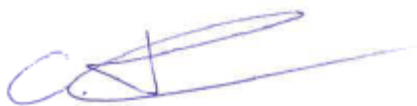
Dear Sir or Madam,

since 09.08.2023 the **subtype EG.5 (Eris) of the Omicron** variant, which has been spreading since the beginning of the year 2023, has been classified as VOI (variant of interest) by the WHO. The subtype carries an additional mutation in the spike protein compared to the predecessor variant.

However, our NADAL® COVID-19 antigen rapid tests and self-tests detect the nucleocapsid protein that surrounds the RNA of the virus. No additional mutations are present in the EG.5 and EG.5.1 subtype nucleocapsid protein.

**We hereby confirm that the subtypes EG.5 and EG.5.1 have no effect on the test performance of our NADAL® COVID-19 Ag tests.**

Kind regards,

A handwritten signature in blue ink, appearing to be 'C. Karl', written over a light blue horizontal line.

Claudia Karl  
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We help you care!