Bio-Rad launches two negative run controls

July 14, 2022—<u>Bio-Rad Laboratories</u> launched two new Exact Diagnostics products. The Exact Diagnostics Synthetic Negative Run Control is screened negative for nine targets, *Anaplasma phagocytophilum*, *Babesia microti*, *Bartonella quintana*, *Borrelia burgdorferi*, *Ehrlichia chaffeensis*, enterovirus coxsackievirus A9, HSV-1 and HSV-2, and varicella zoster virus. The Exact Diagnostics HAI Negative Run Control is screened negative for *Clostridium difficile*, methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus*, and methicillin-susceptible *Staphylococcus aureus*.

Both are external quality controls designed to be used with molecular assays to monitor their intra- and inter-run performance. These products may also be used for dilution or spike-in purposes, such as assay validation and verification.