

Release Note: Software Version 1.3.1 for EZ2® Connect, EZ2 Connect Fx, and EZ2 Connect MDx

At QIAGEN®, we are continuously making improvements to provide the highest level of performance with our instruments. Consequently, we would like to inform you that the software version 1.3.1 for EZ2 Connect, EZ2 Connect Fx, and EZ2 Connect MDx instruments is now available.

Software version 1.3.1 addresses a bug identified in software version 1.3 that could result in load check failure for EZ2 Connect Fx and EZ2 Connect MDx instruments.

Software version 1.3.1 includes all features and protocol updates introduced with software version 1.3.

Software version 1.3.1 is the recommended release for all EZ2 Connect instrument variants.

This release is intended for both newly installed instruments and updates to existing installations. Specific software changes applying to one of the EZ2 Connect variants (LS, Fx, or MDx) are highlighted in the overview below.

The following table describes features implemented in software version 1.3, which are also included in software version 1.3.1:

Feature	Changes
Translation to Chinese, Japanese, and Korean	Built-in translations for the user interface and protocol texts in Chinese, Japanese, and Korean.
UV Maintenance in Research Mode (EZ2 Connect MDx only)	UV Maintenance runs are now also available in the Research Mode.
Elution tube IDs	Enabled easy entry of elution tube IDs. During run setup, user can manually enter or scan elution tube ID or upload an elution ID list.
Verification of Sample/Elution IDs	Enables barcode-based verification of sample and/or elution tube placement against pre-uploaded sample and/or elution tube ID lists. Users can scan the corresponding barcodes to confirm correct positioning and ensure accurate sample tracking.
Administrator-defined password policy (EZ2 Connect MDx only)	Administrator can choose password policies for admin and operator roles.
Daily maintenance	The image showing the daily maintenance procedure has been updated and now shows the correct position of piercing unit.
Application symbols update	Updated symbols for Virus and Microbe applications

The following table summarizes the changes included in the standard protocol package version 13:

Protocol name	Cat. no. of corresponding kit	New protocol version	Changes to protocol package version 12
EZ1&2 [®] DNA Investigator [®] Kit Large Volume Heated (Water; 25 µL; Tip Rack) (EZ2 Connect Fx only)	952034	3.2.1.1	Fixed an issue that could cause a crash.
EZ1&2 DNA Investigator Kit Large Volume Heated (Water; 200 µL; Flip Cap Rack) (EZ2 Connect Fx only)	952034	3.2.1.1	Fixed an issue that could prevent bead transfer.
EZ1&2 DNA Investigator Kit Large Volume	952034	3.0.1.0	Improved instructions for loading flip-cap tubes into flip-cap racks to prevent load-check failure.
Large Volume heated		3.2.1.1	
Large Volume RT; Normalization; Normalization Tip Dance; Tip Dance; Trace		3.0.1.1	
EZ2 AdnaTest CTC Select Kit	N/A	N/A	Protocol removed due to the kit discontinuation.
EZ1&2 DNA Tissue Kit DNA Dried Blood, elution volume 50 µL	953034	3.0.1.1	Corrected loading instructions: the skirted heater 2 mL tube should be loaded in position 11.
EZ1&2 DNA FFPE Kit DNA FFPE Bind, Wash, Elute	954404	3.0.1.0	Updated run time.

Note: The standard protocol package version 13 is also installed with software version 1.3.1 and will not be available as a separate download. Therefore, we recommend installing software version 1.3.1 to access the latest protocol updates. Customized protocol packages would require re-installation after the software update. Additionally, protocol packages compatible with software versions 1.1.0, 1.1.1, and 1.1.2 are not supported in software version 1.3.1.

The software can be optionally updated by following the instructions of the *EZ2 Connect and EZ2 Connect Fx User Manual* or the *EZ2 Connect MDx User Manual*. Both instrument software version 1.3.1 and user manuals can be downloaded from the respective EZ2 Connect product page(s) at www.qiagen.com

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