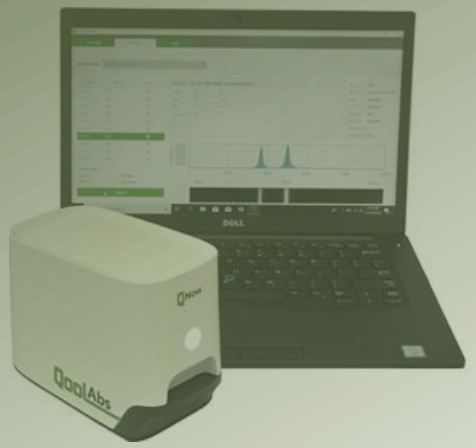
QNow Research Reader



User Guide

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Reader Overview

Product Specifications

- **Assay Compatibility:** QooLabs' QNow® Europium Fluorescence Assays
- **Detection Technology:** High sensitivity camera detection
- **Read Time:** Less than 5 seconds
- **Size**: W 80mm x L 160mm x H 120mm
- **Weight**: 1,150 grams
- **PC Connection**: USB 3 or greater
- **Power**: USB powered
- **Software**: QNow® Reader Software included. Requires Windows 8.0+

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* This device complies with part 15 of the FCC Rules. Operation is subject to the following two conditions: (1) This device may not cause harmful interference, and (2) this device must accept any interference received, including interference that may cause undesired operation.

Reader Overview

USB
Communicates to QNow software to control the unit

Status light

Drawer
Holds test cassettes

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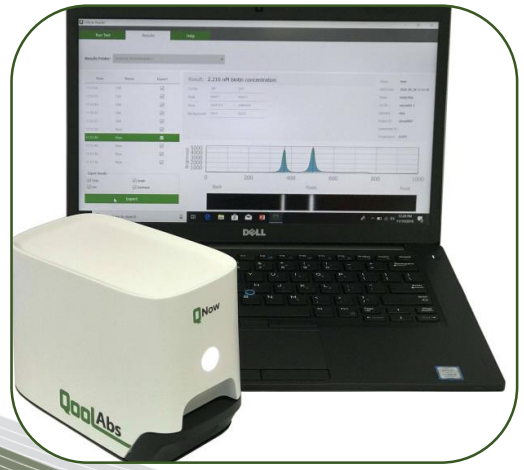
Status light changes color:



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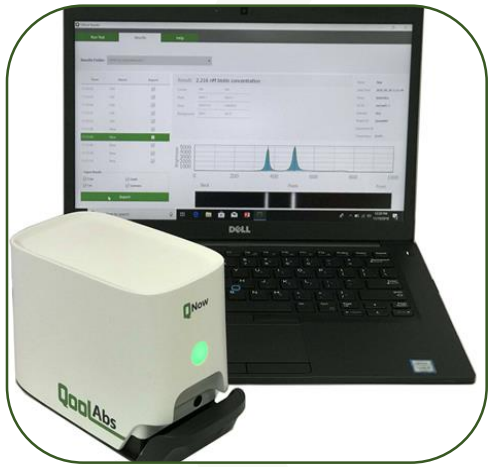

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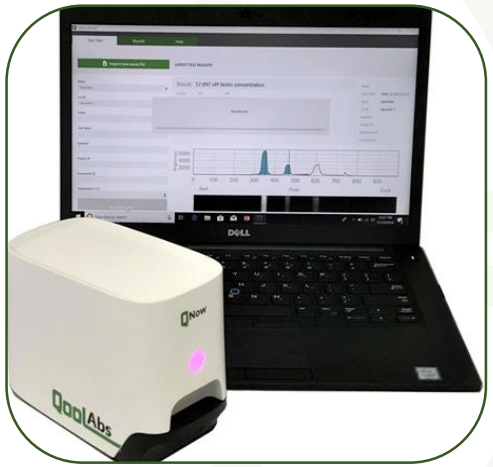

Image is being captured

Cleaning the Reader

If you wish to clean the reader, wipe down the external surfaces and drawer with lint free isopropyl wipes.

DO NOT USE BLEACH.

Scanning a Test

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Software Overview

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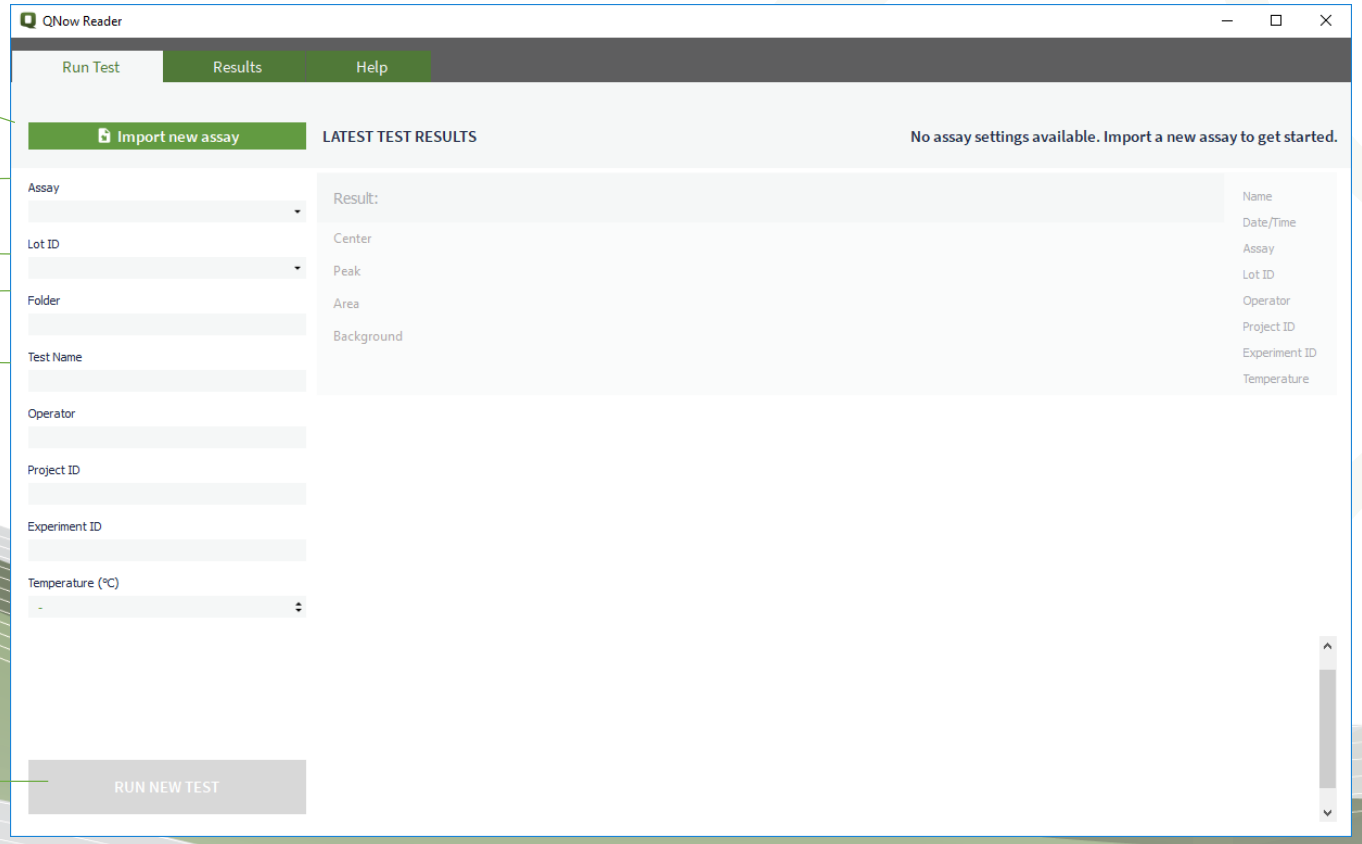
User Interface

Import a new assay settings

Assay and lot selection

Test and Folder Name

Name for the Test (Sample) and where to store the current batch of tests



Results display

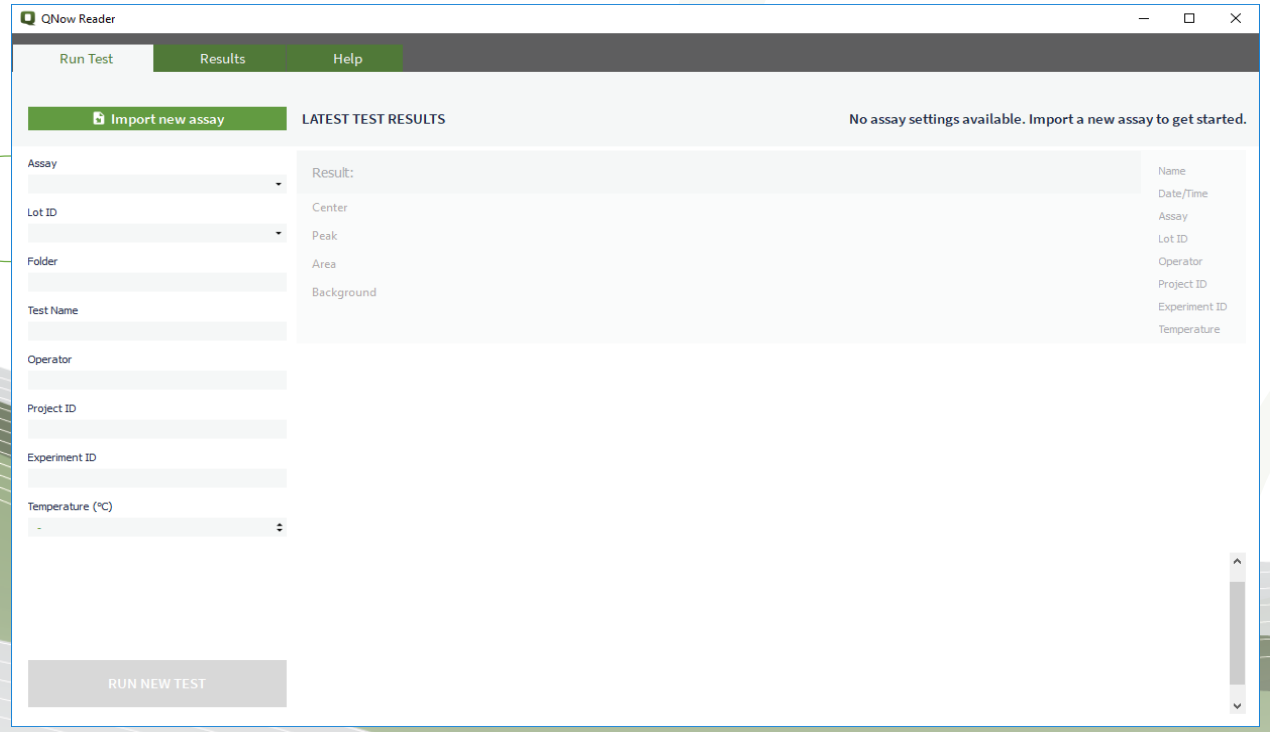
Capture and analyse the test image, calculate results based on assay settings

Scanning a Test

Each test kit is provided with a set of assay settings that are assay and lot specific.

- If it is the first time scanning a test of a specific assay/lot (or the correct Lot ID and assay are not available from the drop down list), click ***"Import new assay"*** and locate the ".asy" file provided with your tests.
- Select the Assay and Lot ID from the drop down list.

Assay selection



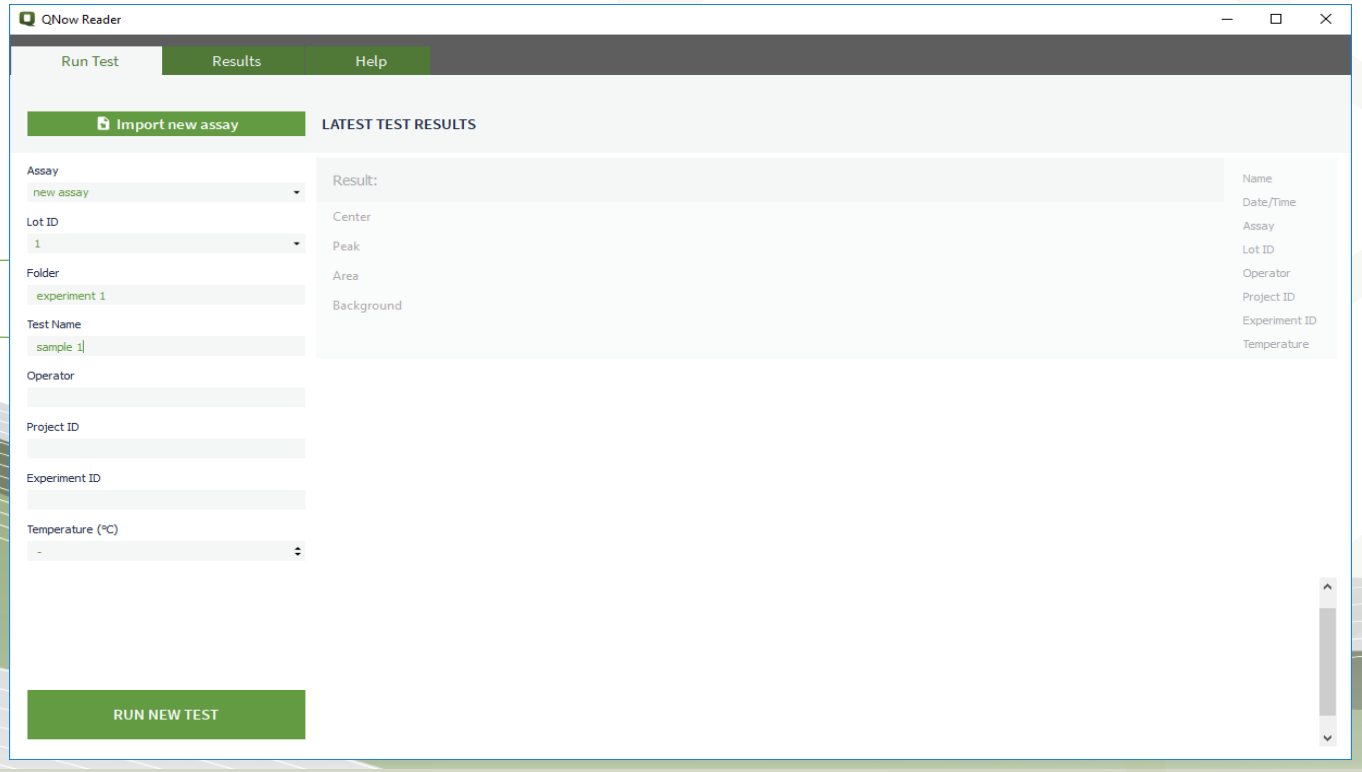
Scanning a Test

Enter a Folder Name – Tests performed under the same folder name on each day will be saved in the same folder

Enter a Test Name – this can be used to identify different samples.

Enter Operator, Project ID, Experiment ID and Temperature as desired.

Test and Folder Name



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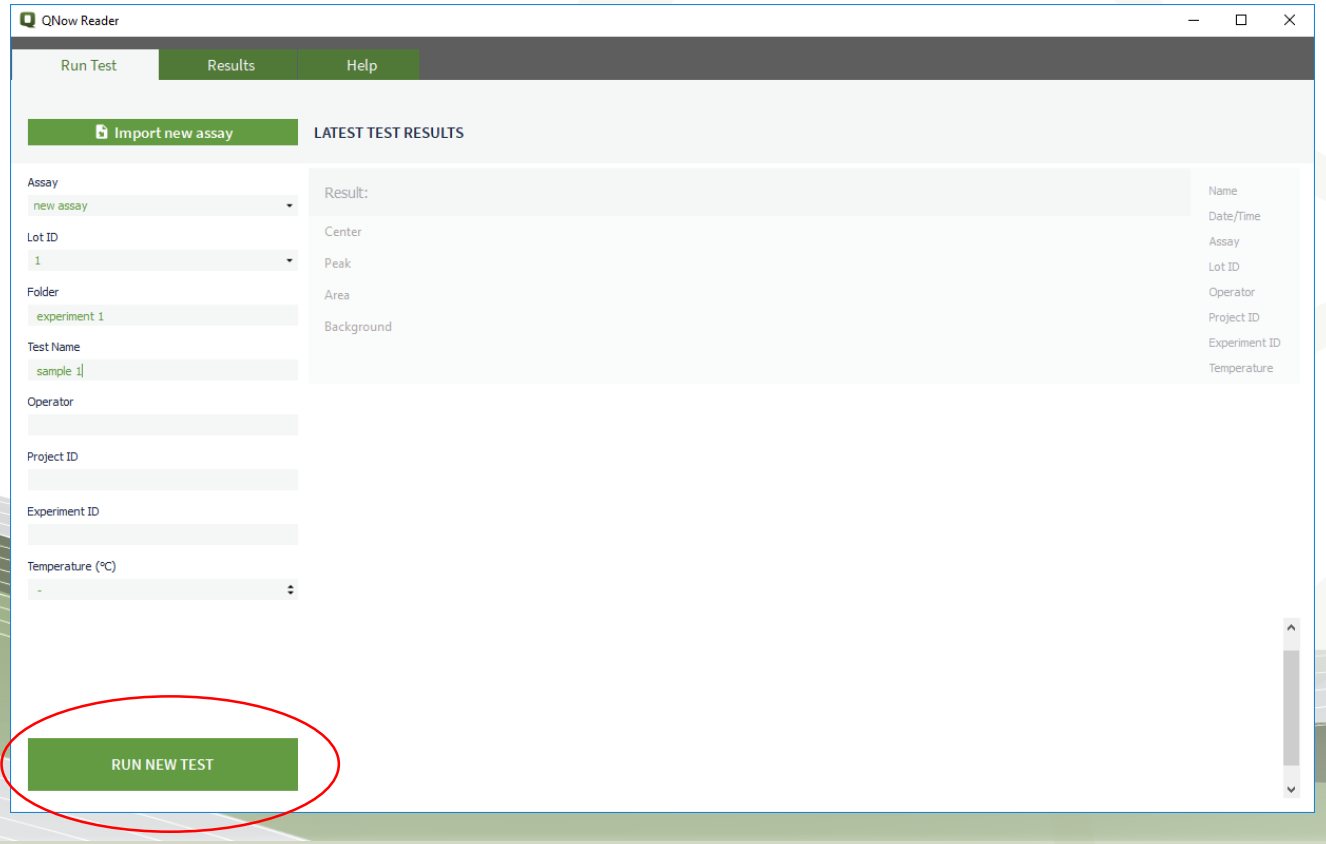
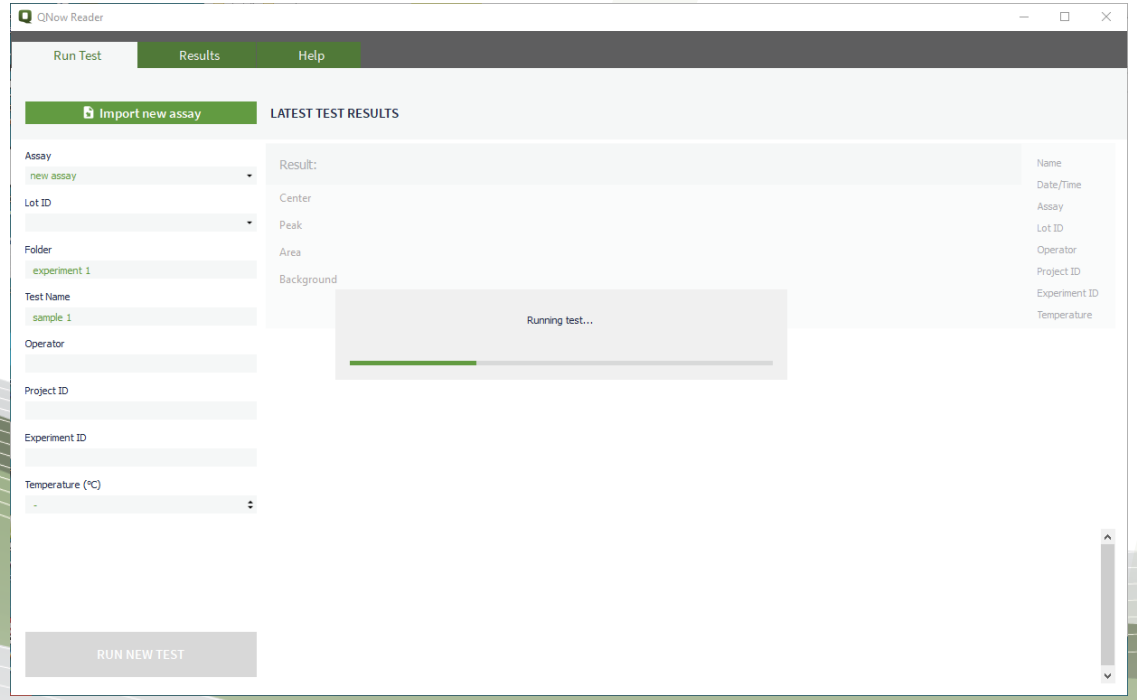
After a test is complete (consult individual assay for timing), place the test cassette in the drawer with the sample port on the cassette toward the front of the reader.

Click “***RUN NEW TEST***” to scan a test.



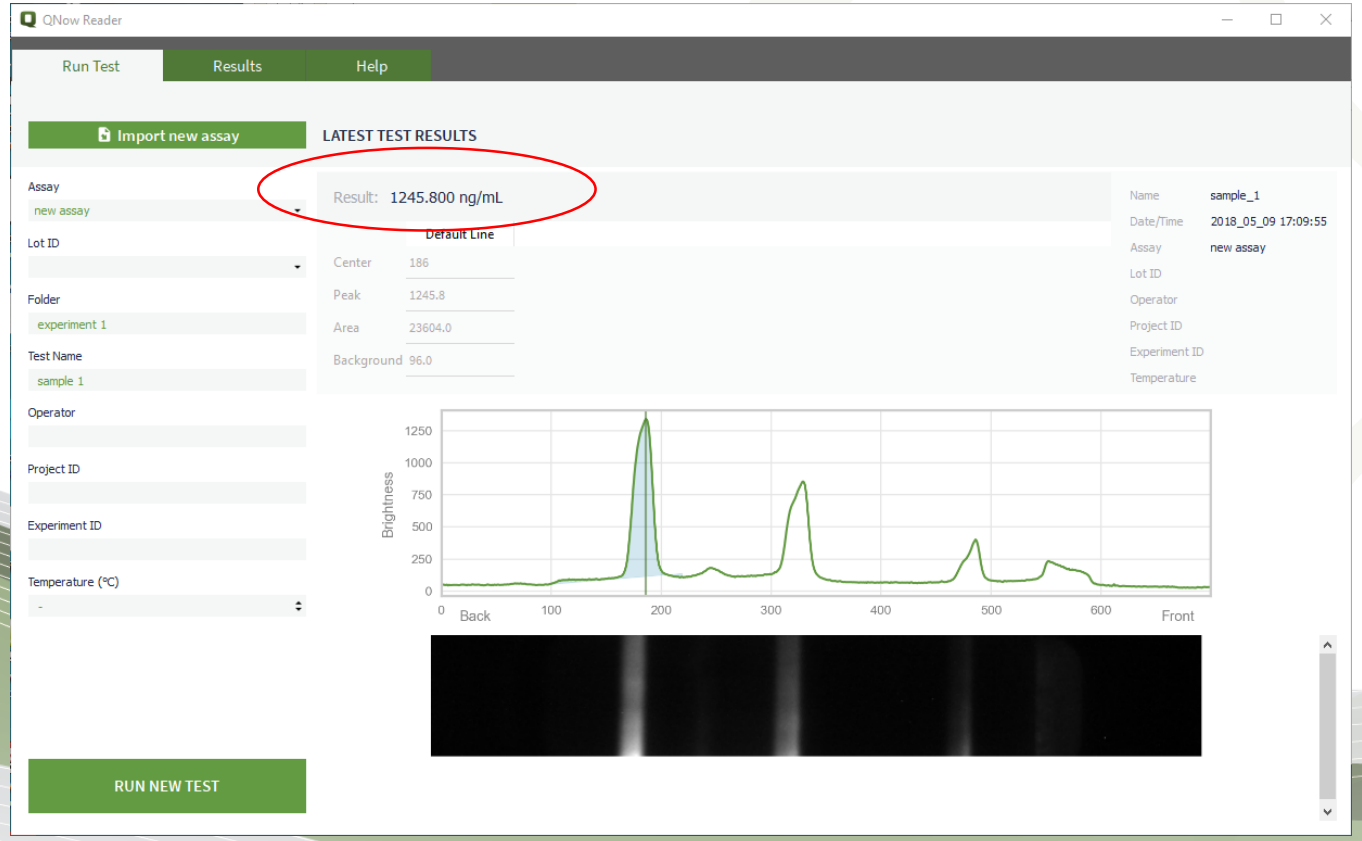
Scanning a Test

- A progress box will appear on the screen.
- The reader status light will turn purple while the reader is capturing an image of the test – do not open the drawer when the light is purple.
- The reader status light will turn white after the image is captured. The progress box may stay for a few more seconds during data transfer.



Scanning a Test

Once scanning is complete, the software will analyse the results which will be displayed on the screen.



Reviewing Results

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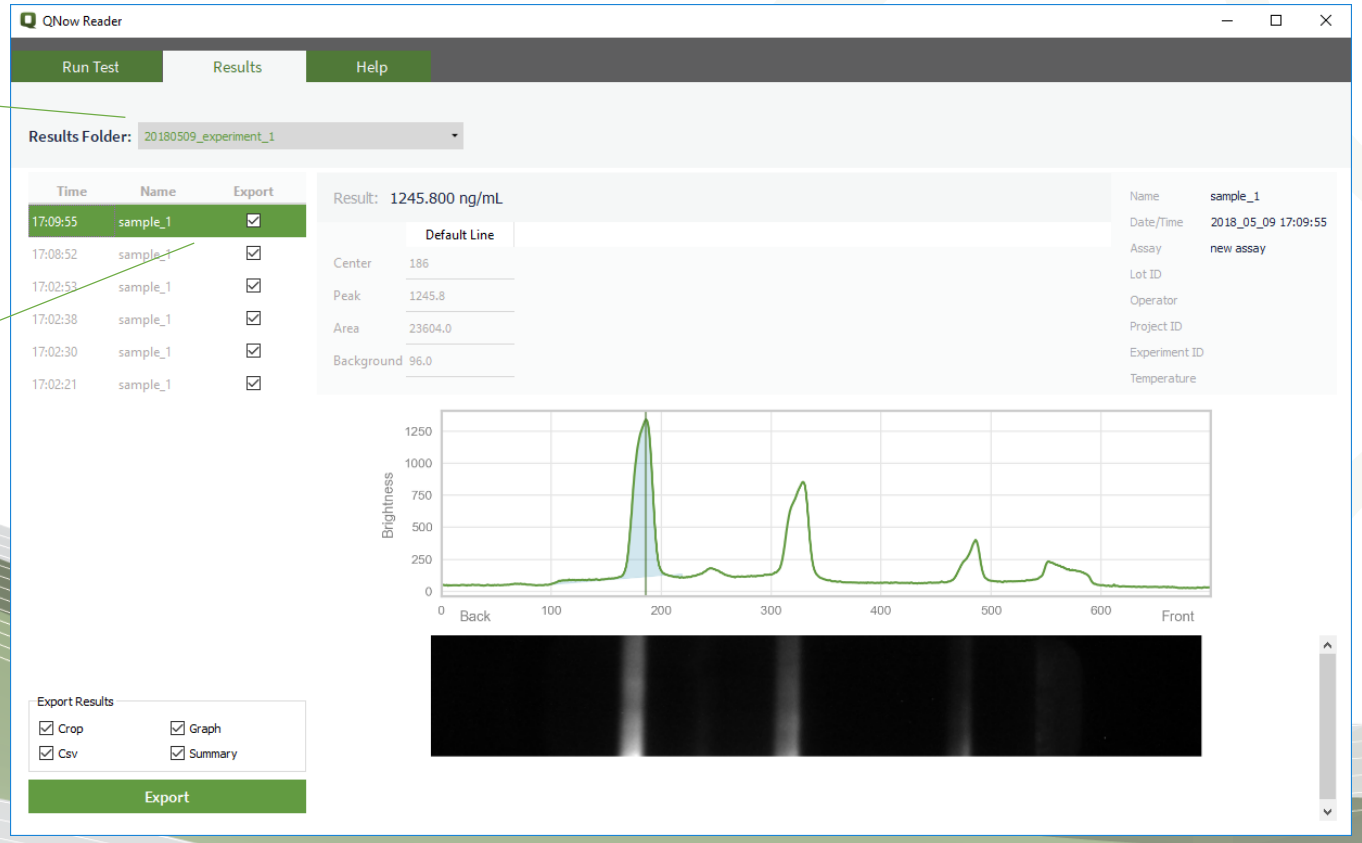
You can quickly review results from the results tab.

Select a results folder from the drop down menu

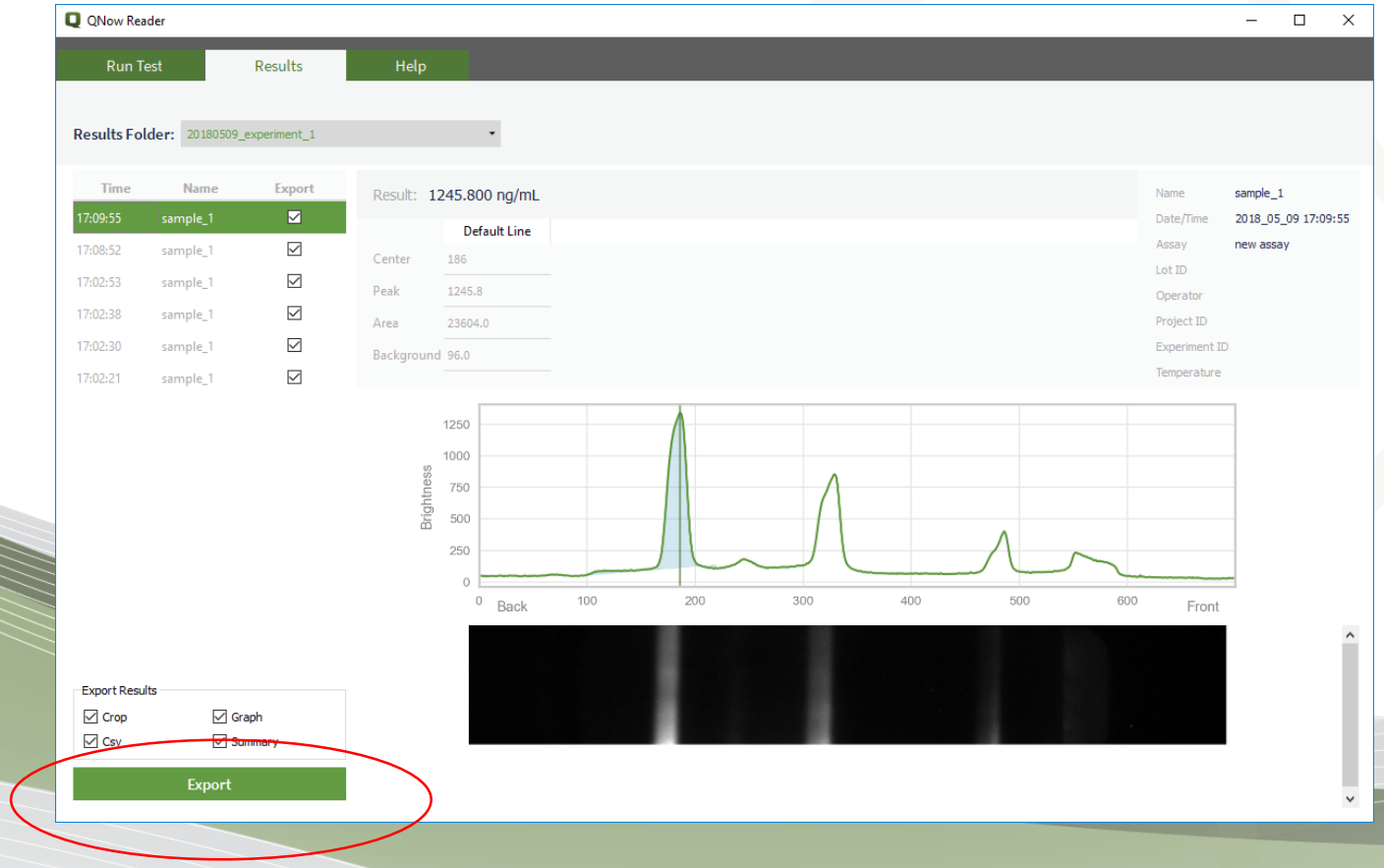
Click on a test to display the result, crop and graph for the selected test



The assay results, crop and graph image are displayed here.

Exporting Results

To export results, select the checkboxes for the results you would like to export, and click "*Export*".



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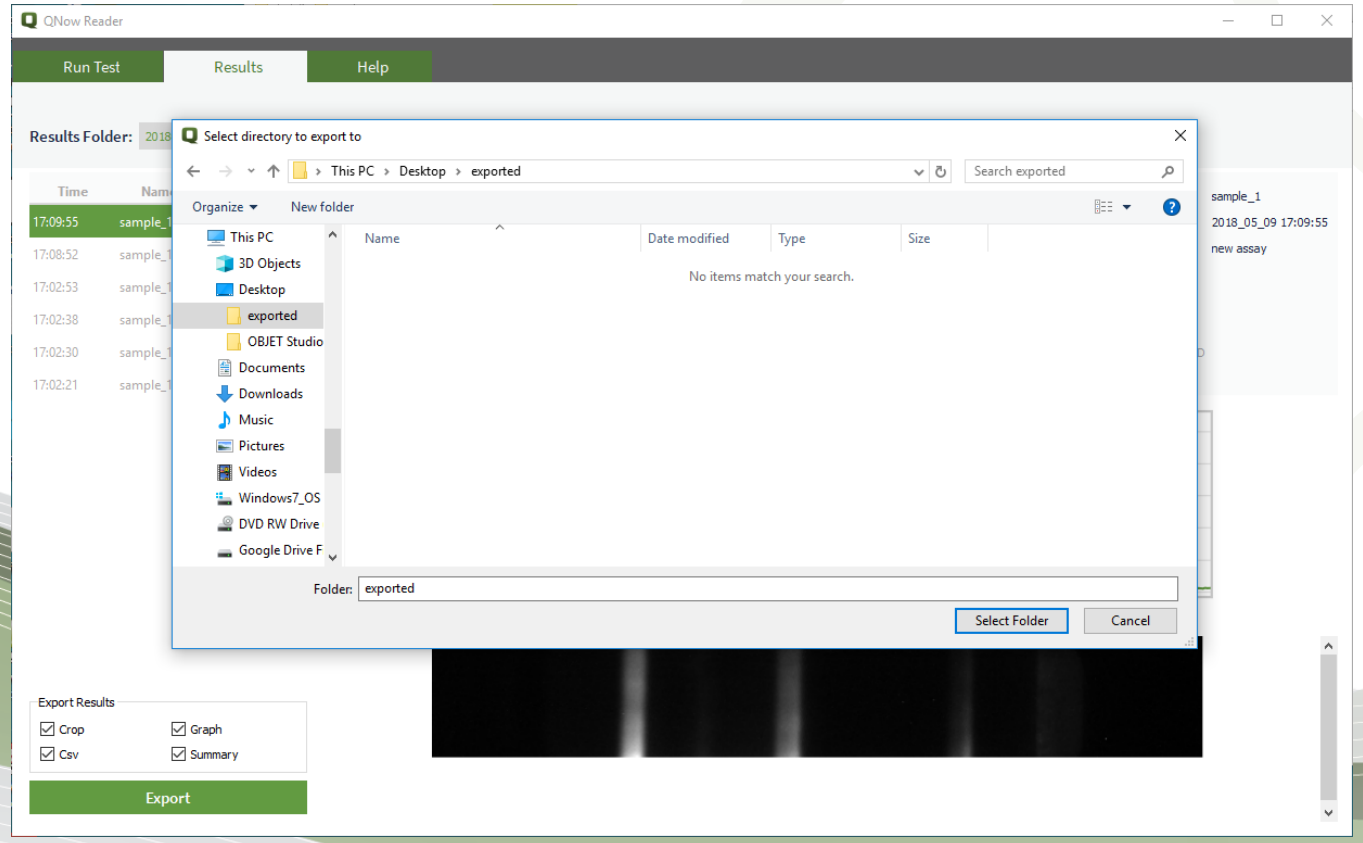
You will be prompted to select a location to export the results to. Navigate to the desired location/folder for storing exported results.



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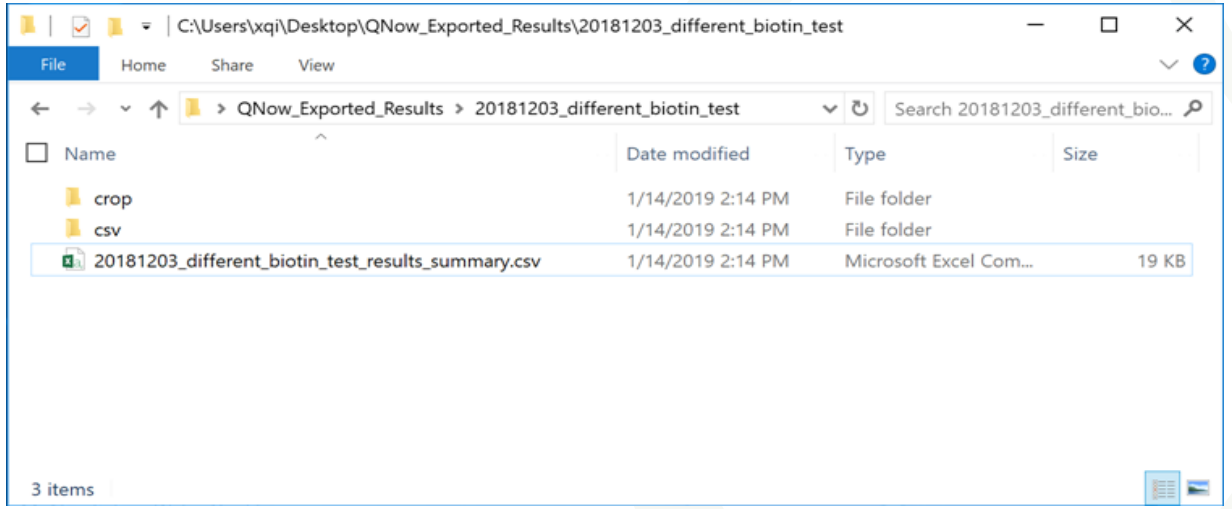
Once the results are exported, the folder will automatically open in the explorer:

In the exported folder, you'll see a crop folder, a csv folder, and a results summary file:



Folder	Description
Crop	Crop and graph images, for quick results review
Csv	The raw plot data
Results summary	The numerical test results

Summary Spreadsheet

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Numerical results and raw data are stored in the summary csv file.

Text Field	Properties
date	Experiment related information, input by user
time	
strip name	
lot ID	
assay name	
overall result	
experiment id	
project id	
operator	
temperature (Â°C)	
filename	
exposure(ms)	Parameters for processing image, product specific, pre-set by the manufacturer
crop_offset	
crop_height	
reader_serial	QNow reader serial number
software version	Qnow software version

Text Field	Properties
analyte_name_1	Sample (Analyte) related information, Test results are calculated with pre-set formula.
analyte_units_1	
analyte_text_result_1	
analyte_numerical_result_1	
analyte_result_type_1	
analyte_prejudgement_result_1	

Text Field	Properties
line_name_1	Results for each line on test strip (numbered by line position)
line_centre_1	
line_peak_above_background_1	
line_background_1	
line_area_1	
line_polarity_1	
line_offset_1	
line_background_offset_1	

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