

Supplementary Material

Supplementary Figure

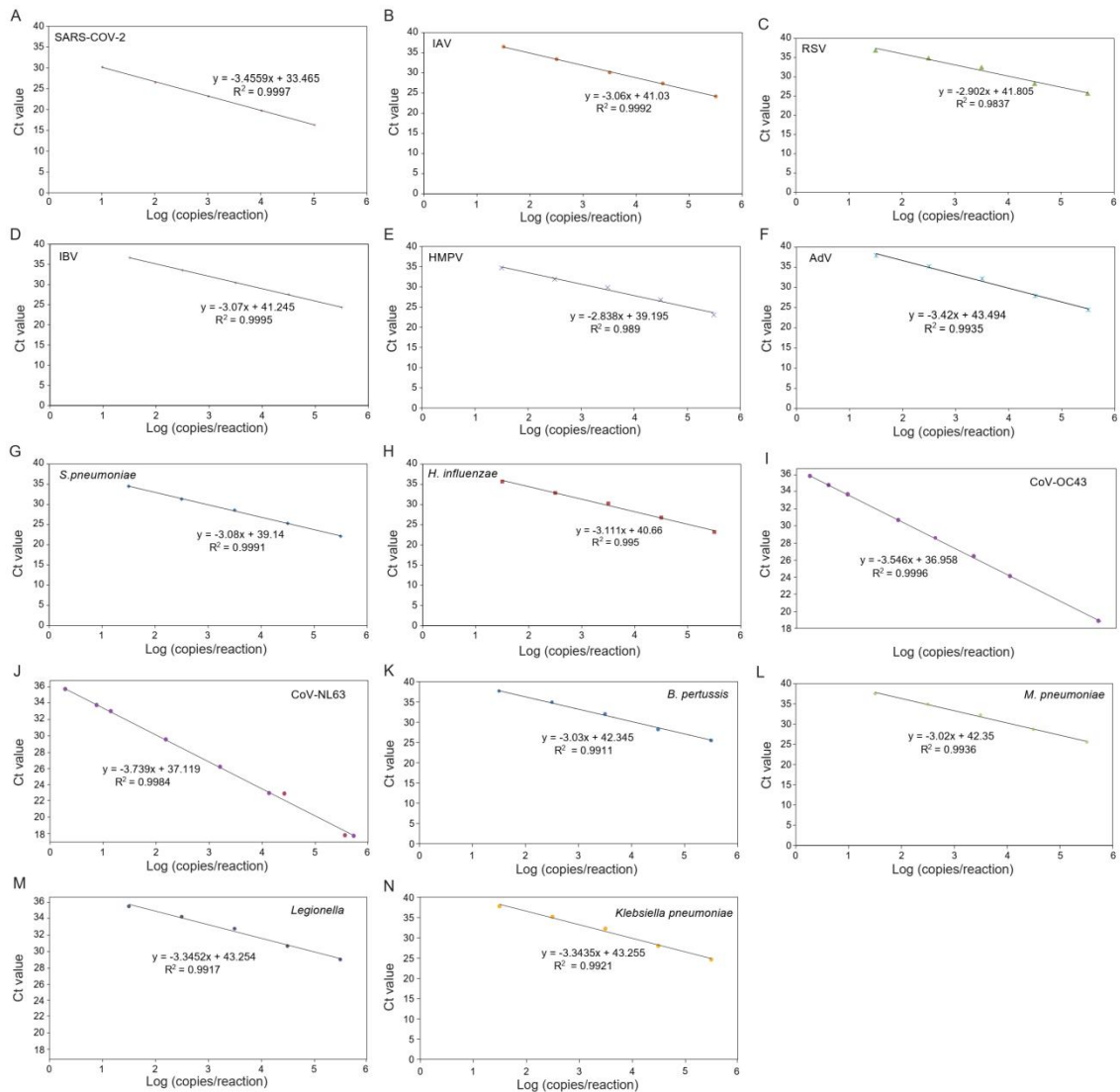


Fig. S1 Standard curves of pathogens used for the determination of the sewage concentrations. (A) Standard curve of SARS-CoV-2; (B) Standard curve of IAV; (C) Standard curve of RSV; (D) Standard curve of IBV; (E) Standard curve of HMPV; (F) Standard curve of AdV; (G) Standard curve of *S. pneumoniae*; (H) Standard curve of *H. influenzae*; (I) Standard curve of CoV-OC43; (J) Standard curve of CoV-NL63; (K) Standard curve of *B. pertussis*; (L) Standard curve of *M. pneumoniae*; (M) Standard curve of *Legionella pneumophila*; (N) Standard curve of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*

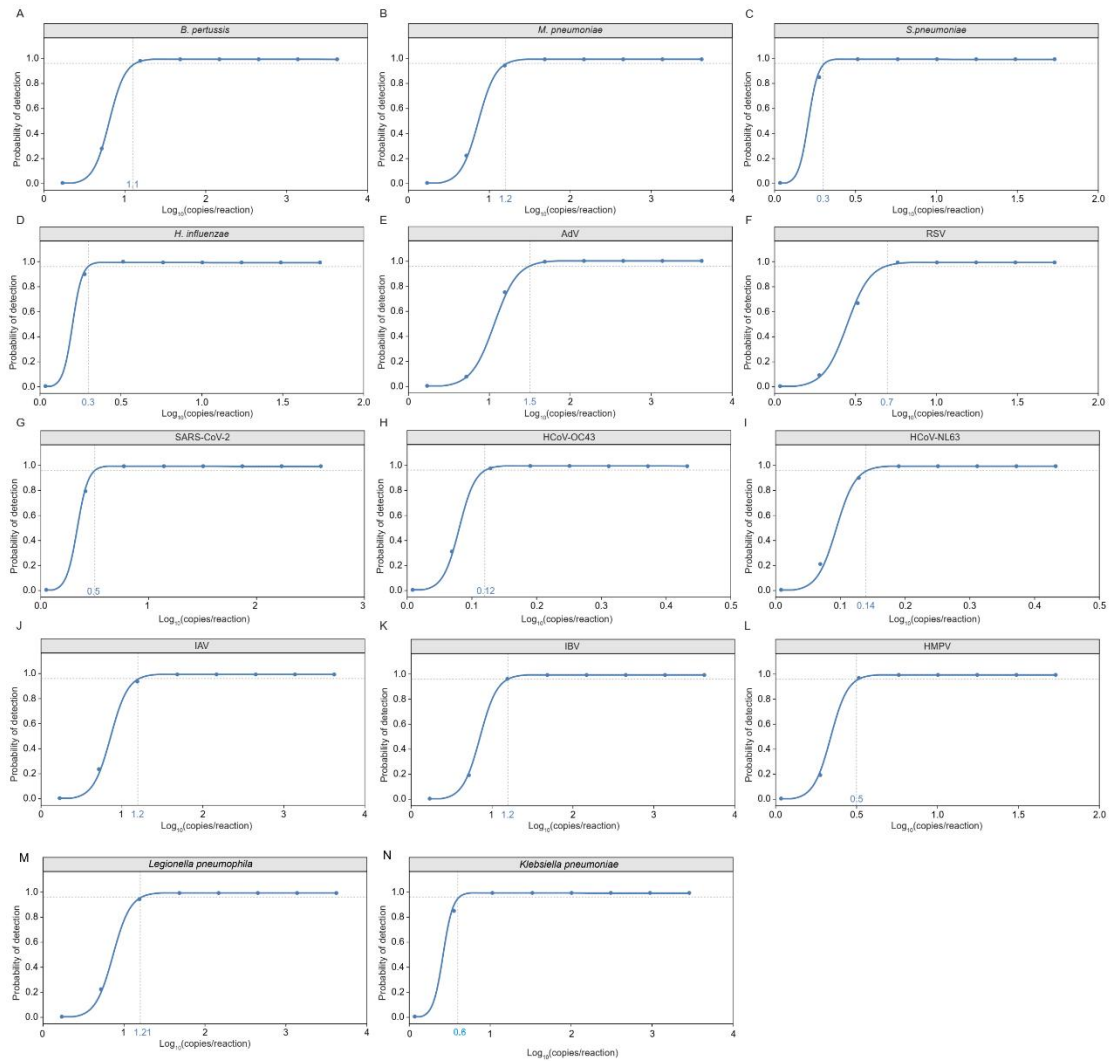


Fig. S2 The relationship between concentration of 14 pathogens measured by singleplex qPCR and probability of detection. Data represent serial dilutions over four orders of magnitude. Dashed line indicates the 95% LOD. (A) Prohit analysis of the LOD of *B. pertussis*; (B) Prohit analysis of the LOD of *M. pneumoniae*; (C) Prohit analysis of the LOD of *S. pneumoniae*; (D) Prohit analysis of the LOD of *H. influenzae*; (E) Prohit analysis of the LOD of AdV; (F) Prohit analysis of the LOD of RSV; (G) Prohit analysis of the LOD of SARS-CoV-2; (H) Prohit analysis of the LOD of HCoV-OC43; (I) Prohit analysis of the LOD of HCoV-NL63; (J) Prohit analysis of the LOD of IAV; (K) Prohit analysis of the LOD of IBV; (L) Prohit analysis of the LOD of HMPV; (M) Prohit analysis of the LOD of *Legionella pneumophila*; (N) Prohit analysis of the LOD of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*



Fig. S3 Concurrent real-time PCR and melting curve analysis in three tubes. Nucleic acid reference material of 17 species (IBV Victoria, HMPV, HCoV-NL63, HCoV-OC43, *Cryptococcus*, HPV-3, Bocavirus, IAV H1N1, RSV A, Enterovirus, AdV, *C. pneumoniae*, *S.pneumoniae*, *B. pertussis*, SARS-CoV-2 N, *M. pneumoniae*, *H. influenzae*) were quantitated by determination of the quantification cycle (C_q value) that occurred during real-time PCR, and were each identified by the unique combination of the fluorescent color and the T_m value of their melting peak at 5 × 10³, 5 × 10², 5 × 10¹, 5 × 10⁰ copies/reaction.

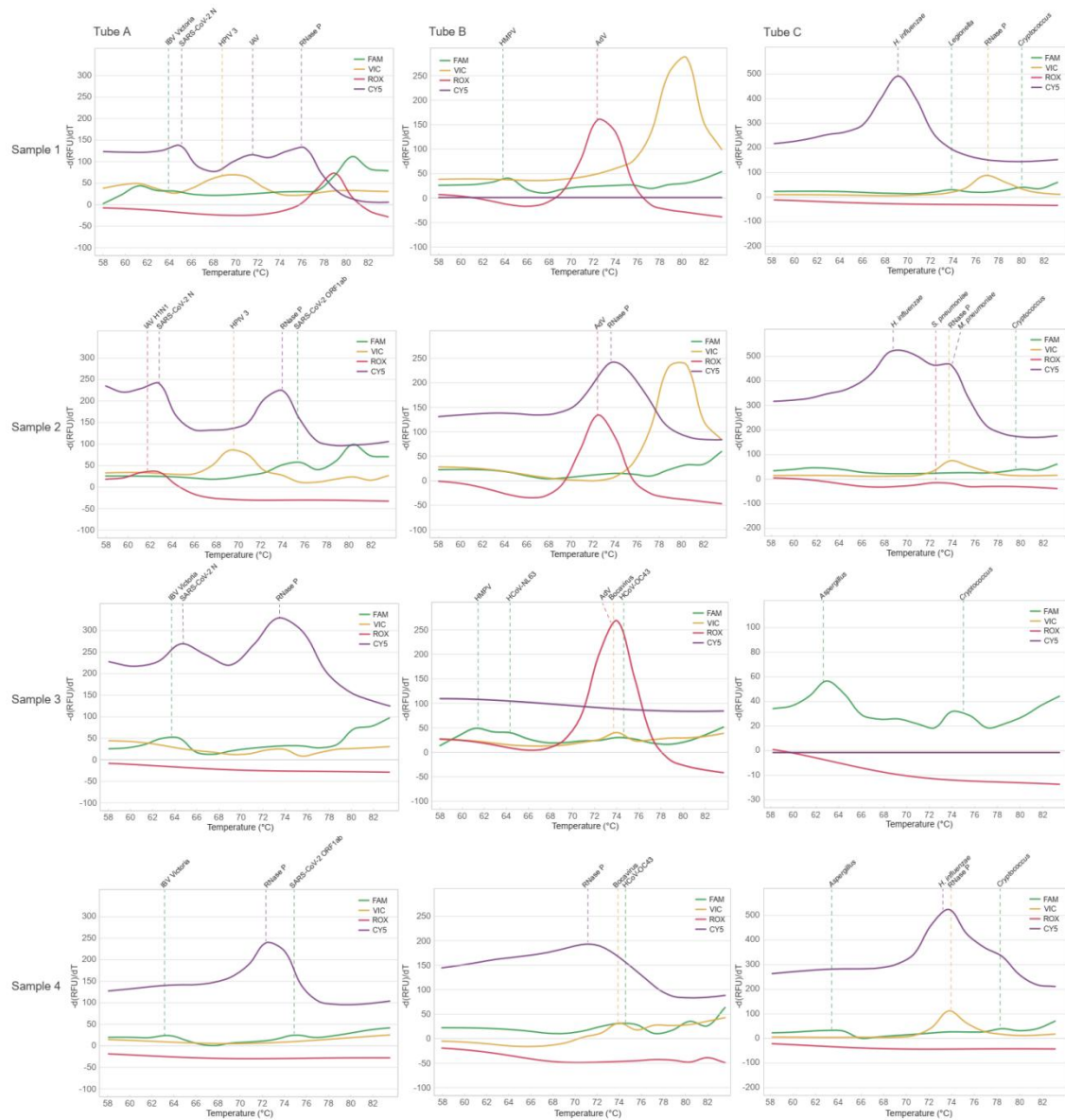


Fig. S4 Concurrent real-time PCR and melting curve analysis in three tubes. SARS-CoV-2, HMPV, Enterovirus, and AdV were quantitated by determination of the quantification cycle (C_q value) that occurred during real-time PCR, and were each identified by the unique combination of the fluorescent color and the T_m value of their melting peak.

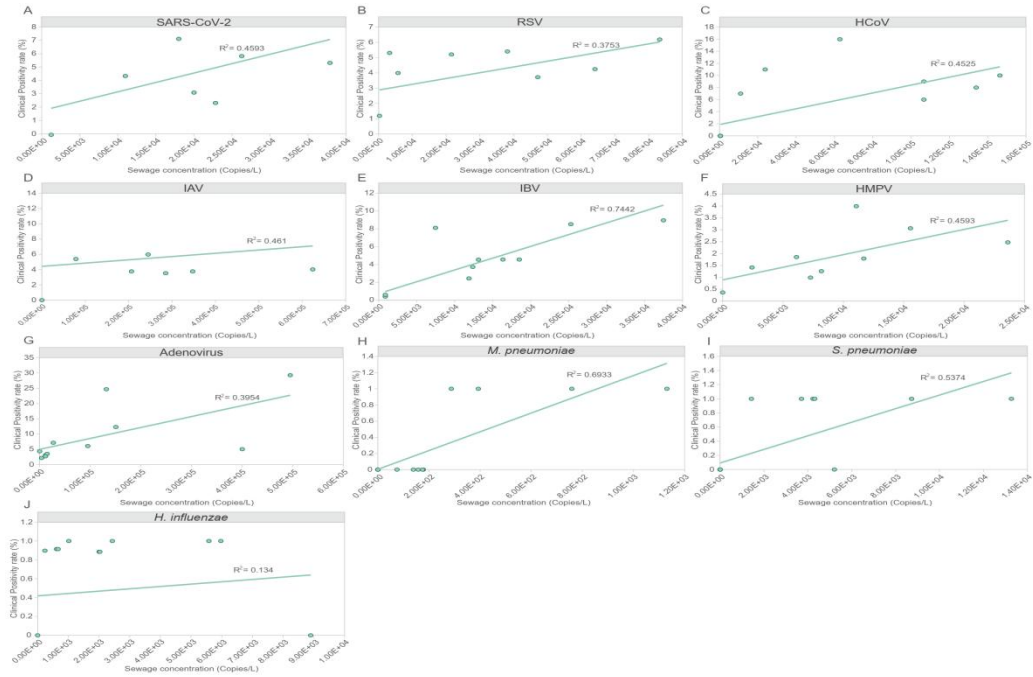


Fig. S5 Correlations between pathogens concentration and clinical positivity rate. (A) Correlations between sewage SARS-CoV-2 concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (B) Correlations between sewage RSV concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (C) Correlations between sewage HCoV concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (D) Correlations between sewage IAV concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (E) Correlations between sewage IBV concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (F) Correlations between sewage HMPV concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (G) Correlations between sewage adenovirus concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (H) Correlations between sewage *M. pneumoniae* concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (I) Correlations between sewage *S. pneumoniae* concentration and its clinical positivity rate; (J) Correlations between sewage *H. influenzae* concentration and its clinical positivity rate.

Supplementary Table

Table S1 Primers for amplification of genes for the construction of plasmid.

| Gene | Primer | Sequences (5'–3') | Size of amplicon (bp) | Reference |
|-------------|----------------------|--------------------------|-----------------------|------------------------|
| IAV/IBV | HA1-F | GAGGTCAATGTGACCGGTGT | 809 | (Dastyar et al., 2024) |
| | HA1-R | TACCTTGCTCCTGCCACTTG | | |
| | HA2-F | TCAYCTGCCAACGGAGGAGT | | |
| | HA2-R | TACAGCCAAAGTGGAGGCAG | | |
| | RSV-F | TTYGTTCCCTGTAGTATATGTG | | |
| RSV | RSV-R | GTTATGACACTGGTATACCAACC | 670 | (Allen et al., 2024) |
| | pan-CoVinF | GGTTGGGAYTAYCCHAARTGTGA | 600 | (Fu et al., 2024) |
| pan-CoVoutF | CCAARTTYTAYGGHGGITGG | | | |
| Adenovirus | HexonF | GCCCCARTGGCRTACATGCACATC | 300 | (Han et al., 2013) |

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|-----------------------|----------|------------------------------|-----|---------------------------|
| <i>S. pneumoniae</i> | HexonR | AGCACSCCSCGRATGTCAAAG | 400 | (Zhang et al., 1995) |
| | LytA-F | ATGCAGTTGGCTCAGTATGTA | | |
| <i>M. pneumoniae</i> | LytA-R | CACCCAGTCCTCCCTTATCA | 551 | (Xu et al., 2024) |
| | P1-F | AGCACCTTGCACGATGAAGA | | |
| <i>H. influenzae</i> | P1-R | GGGTAGATCCACTTCCACTCC | 151 | (Wang et al., 2011) |
| | BexA-F | TGCGGTAGTGTTAGAAAATGGTATTATG | | |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> | BexA-R | GGACAAACATCACAAGCGGTTA | 387 | (Chen et al., 2014) |
| | WabG-F | TCTCAGCCAGACGCAGTTG | | |
| <i>L. pneumophila</i> | WabG-R | GGAAGCACCAGGAACATCAC | 654 | (Shen et al., 2015) |
| | LEG-F | AAGATTAGCCTGCGTCCGAT | | |
| <i>B. pertussis</i> | LEG-R | GTCAACTTATCGCGTTTGCT | 286 | (Wang et al., 2015) |
| | L-F | GTGATGGGGTGCAAGCTCTT | | |
| HMPV | L-R | ATCTACCCGCGGCTAGACAGG | 170 | (Maertzdorf et al., 2004) |
| | HMPV-L-F | CATGCCCACTATAAAAGGTCAG | | |
| | HMPV-L-R | CACCCAGTCTTTCTGAAA | | |

Table S2 PCR condition for Meltarray-based qPCR assay.

| Channel | Pathogen/Gene name | | | Tm value reference range (°C) |
|---------------|------------------------|-----------------|------------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| | Reaction tube A | Reaction tube B | Reaction tube C | |
| FAM | IBV (Victoria) | HMPV | Aspergillus | 59–63 |
| | IBV (Yamagata) | HCoV-NL63 | <i>Chlamydia psittaci</i> | 65–69 |
| | IAV (H3N2) | HCoV-OC43 | <i>Legionella</i> | 70–74 |
| | SARS-CoV-2 (ORF1ab) | / | Cryptococcus | 75–79 |
| CY5 | SARS-CoV-2 (N) | HPIV-1 | / | 58–62 |
| | IAV | HCoV-229E | <i>K. pneumoniae</i> | 65–69.5 |
| | RNase P | RNase P | <i>H. influenzae</i> | 69.6–73.5 |
| | / | HPIV-2 | <i>M. pneumoniae</i> | 74–78 |
| ROX/Texas Red | IAV (H1N1) | Enterovirus | <i>C. pneumoniae</i> | 60–63.5 |
| | RSV (A) | / | <i>Group A Streptococcus</i> | 64–68 |
| | / | Adenovirus | <i>S. pneumoniae</i> | 69–73 |
| | RSV (B) | HCoV-HKU1 | <i>B. pertussis</i> | 74–78 |

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|----------|--------|-----------|---------|-----------|
| VIC/ HEX | / | HPIV-4 | / | 62–66 |
| | HPIV-3 | / | / | 66.5–70.5 |
| | / | / | RNase P | 71–74 |
| | RhV | Bocavirus | / | 76–80 |

Table S3 Primers for amplification of 7 housekeeping genes of *S. pneumoniae*.

| Gene | Primer | Sequences (5'–3') | Size of amplicon (bp) |
|-------------|--------|--|-----------------------|
| <i>aroE</i> | aroE-F | GCC TTT GAG GCG ACA GC | 405 |
| | aroE-R | TGC AGT TCA (G/A)AA ACA T(A/T)T TCT AA | |
| <i>gdh</i> | gdh-F | ATG GAC AAA CCA GC(G/A/T/C) AG(C/T) TT | 459 |
| | gdh-F | GCT TGA GGT CCC AT(G/A) CT(G/A/T/C) CC | |
| <i>gki</i> | gki-F | GGC ATT GGA ATG GGA TCA CC | 483 |
| | gki-R | TCT CCC GCA GCT GAC AC | |
| <i>recP</i> | recP-F | GCC AAC TCA GGT CAT CCA GG | 448 |
| | recP-R | TGC AAC CGT AGC ATT GTA AC | |
| <i>spi</i> | spi-F | TTA TTC CTC CTG ATT CTG TC | 472 |
| | spi-R | GTG ATT GGC CAG AAG CGG AA | |
| <i>xpt</i> | xpt-F | TTA TTA GAA GAG CGC ATC CT | 486 |
| | xpt-R | AGA TCT GCC TCC TTA AAT AC | |
| <i>ddl</i> | ddl-F | TGC (C/T)CA AGT TCC TTA TGT GG | 441 |
| | ddl-R | CAC TGG GT(G/A) AAA CC(A/T) GGC AT | |

Table S4 Primers for amplification of 7 housekeeping genes of *Hemophilus influenzae*.

| Gene | Primer | Sequences (5'-3') | Size of amplicon (bp) |
|-------------|--------|-----------------------|-----------------------|
| <i>adk</i> | adk-F | GGTGCACCGGGTGCAGGTAA | 477 |
| | adk-R | CCTAAGATTTTATCTAACTC | |
| <i>atpG</i> | atpG-F | ATGGCAGGTGCAAAAGAGAT | 447 |
| | atpG-R | TTGTACAACAGGCTTTTGCG | |
| <i>frdB</i> | frdB-F | CTTATCGTTGGTCTTGCCGT | 489 |
| | frdB-R | TTGGCACTTTCCTACTTTTCC | |
| <i>fucK</i> | fucK-F | ACCACTTTCGGCGTGGATGG | 345 |
| | fucK-R | AAGATTTCCCAGGTGCCAGA | |
| <i>mdh</i> | mdh-F | TCATTGTATGATATTGCCCC | 405 |
| | mdh-R | ACTTCTGTACCTGCATTTTG | |
| <i>pgi</i> | pgi-F | GGTGAAAAAATCAATCGTAC | 468 |
| | pgi-R | ATTGAAAGACCAATAGCTGA | |
| <i>recA</i> | recA-F | ATGGCAACTCAAGAAGAAAA | 426 |
| | recA-R | TTACCAAACATCACGCCTAT | |

Table S5 Primers for amplification of 8 housekeeping genes of *M. pneumoniae*.

| Name | Primer sequence (5'-3') | Amplicon (bp) | Tm (°C) |
|-------------|-------------------------|--------------------------|---------|
| <i>ppa</i> | F | CGCTGACCAAGCCTTTCTAC | 256 |
| | R | CACTCCAAACTTTGCACTCCC | |
| <i>pgm</i> | F | AGCACCTTGCACGATGAAGA | 1072 |
| | R | CCTGCGCCTTCGTTAATTGG | |
| <i>gyrB</i> | F | TTGTCCCGGACTTTACCGTG | 429 |
| | R | TGTTTTCGACAGCAAAGCGG | |
| <i>gmk</i> | F | GAGCGGTGTTGGCAAAAGTA | 394 |
| | R | TGCATCCTCGTCATTACGCTT | |
| <i>glyA</i> | F | CAGAGAACTATGTGAGTAGGGACA | 676 |
| | R | TGACAACCCGGAAAGACACC | |
| <i>atpA</i> | F | GTCGCTGATGGCATTGCTAAG | 796 |
| | R | CCAGTAAACGCGAGTGCAAG | |
| <i>arcC</i> | F | CCCCATCAAGCCGTGTA | 570 |
| | R | TTGGGCAATAATGGCCGTCT | |
| <i>adk</i> | F | GTAGCCAACACCACCGGATT | 473 |
| | R | ACGGTGTCTTCGTAAAGCGT | |

Table S6 Standard curve of tested 14 pathogens.

| Virus | Standard curve | R ² | Efficiency (%) | LOD (copies/reaction) | LOD (copies/L) |
|-----------------------|-------------------------|----------------|----------------|--------------------------|-------------------|
| SARS-CoV-2 | $y = -3.4559x + 33.465$ | 0.9997 | 96.2 | 3.2 | 1280 |
| IAV | $y = -3.06x + 41.03$ | 0.9992 | 99.3 | 15.85 | 6340 |
| RSV | $y = -2.902x + 41.805$ | 0.9837 | 98.7 | 5 | 2000 |
| IBV | $y = -3.07x + 41.245$ | 0.9995 | 99.7 | 15.85 | 6340 |
| HMPV | $y = -2.838x + 39.195$ | 0.989 | 98.4 | 3.2 | 1280 |
| AdV | $y = -3.42x + 43.494$ | 0.9935 | 101.2 | 31.6 | 12640 |
| HCOV-OC43 | $y = -3.546x + 36.958$ | 0.996 | 101.4 | 1.33 | 532 |
| HCOV-NL63 | $y = -3.739x + 37.119$ | 0.998 | 101.3 | 1.4 | 560 |
| <i>B. pertusis</i> | $y = -3.03x + 42.345$ | 0.9911 | 99.7 | 12.6 | 5040 |
| <i>M. pneumoniae</i> | $y = -3.02x + 42.35$ | 0.9936 | 99.5 | 15.85 | 6340 |
| <i>S. pneumoniae</i> | $y = -3.08x + 39.14$ | 0.9991 | 99.8 | 2.0 | 800 |
| <i>H. influenzae</i> | $y = -3.111x + 40.66$ | 0.995 | 99.7 | 2.0 | 800 |
| <i>L. pneumophila</i> | $y = -3.345x + 43.25$ | 0.991 | 99.2 | 16.28 | 6512 |
| <i>K. pneumoniae</i> | $y = -3.343x + 43.26$ | 0.992 | 99.2 | 4.0 | 1600 |

Supplementary text

The bacterial adsorption capacity of mica particles was assessed by passing 12 L of sterile deionized water, inoculated with $(1.2 \pm 0.5) \times 10^9$ CFU/L of *Klebsiella pneumoniae*, through the mica filter. The abundance of *K. pneumoniae* cells in the collected effluent was evaluated utilizing chromogenic media plates. The processes of bacterial adsorption and recovery from the water samples were quantified usinspectively.

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$$\text{Bacterial adsorption}(\%) = \frac{C_0 - C_i}{C_0} \times 100\% \quad , \quad (\text{S1})$$

$$\text{Bacterial recovery}(\%) = \frac{C_r}{C_0} \times 100\% \quad , \quad (\text{S2})$$

The variable C_0 (CFU) represents the quantity of bacteria introduced into the water samples. The concentration of microorganisms present in the natural water samples prior to concentration is denoted as C_i (CFU). The quantity of bacteria presented in the effluent following concentration, expressed as C_r (CFU).

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