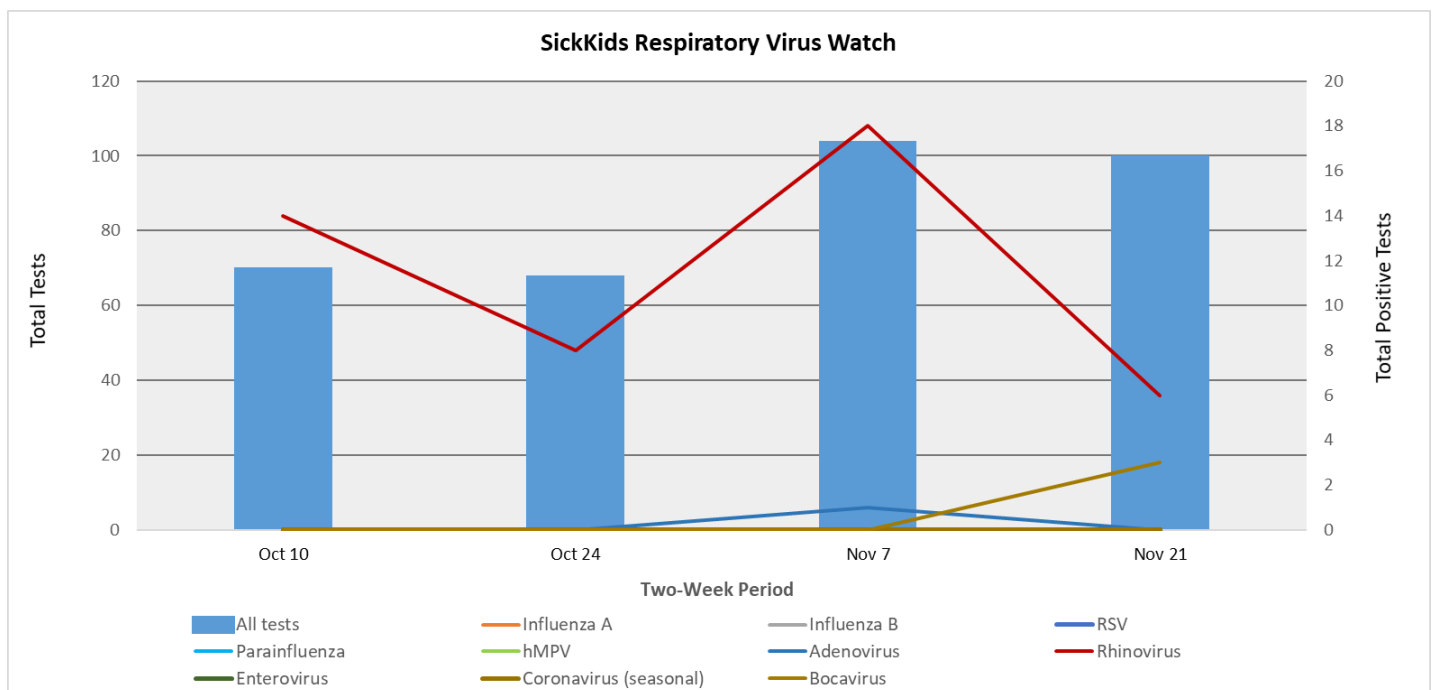


November 30, 2020

During the 2-week period of November 8 – November 21, 2020, 98 respiratory samples were sent for testing in the Microbiology Laboratory for respiratory virus multiplex PCR at SickKids. Throughout the past 8-week period, rhinovirus has remained the only respiratory virus consistently detected. There has been no influenza or RSV activity detected this respiratory virus season as of this report.



Influenza activity in Ontario for the week of November 15 – November 21, 2020 was similar than the previous week with an overall low number of influenza cases (2) in the province.

<https://www.publichealthontario.ca/en/ServicesAndTools/SurveillanceServices/Pages/Ontario-Respiratory-Virus-Bulletin.aspx>

Nationally, all influenza activity is low as of November 15 – November 25, 2020 with no evidence of community circulation.

<https://www.canada.ca/en/public-health/services/diseases/flu-influenza/influenza-surveillance.html>