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**Non WHO Reference Material**
**Polio Anti Sabin type 3 (inactivated) serum**
**NIBSC code: 13/222**
**Instructions for use**
**(Version 4.0, Dated 28/08/2025)**

**This material is not for in vitro diagnostic use**

## 1. INTENDED USE

This antiserum is intended to be used for ELISA or neutralisation assays for the evaluation of type 3 poliovirus.

## 2. CAUTION

**This preparation is not for administration to humans or animals in the human food chain**.

The material is not of human or bovine origin. As with all materials of biological origin, this preparation should be regarded as potentially hazardous to health. It should be used and discarded according to your own laboratory's safety procedures. Such safety procedures should include the wearing of protective gloves and avoiding the generation of aerosols. Care should be exercised in opening ampoules or vials, to avoid cuts.

## 3. UNITAGE

No unitage is assigned to this material.

## 4. CONTENTS

Country of origin of biological material: United Kingdom.
The type 3 poliovirus antiserum 13/222 was raised in Sheep (SH 6119). The initial dose of approximately 166 D-Ag units of inactivated Sabin type 3 virus (IPV3) was administered with Freunds Complete Adjuvant (FCA), given intramuscularly. This was followed two weeks later with a second 166 D-Ag dose of IPV3 including Freunds Incomplete Adjuvant (FIA). A further 166 D-Ag unit dose of IPV3 including FIA was given after a further two weeks. Six weeks after the initial immunisation, serum was collected and treated for the inactivation of FMDV. The treatment method used was maintenance of pH5.5 or lower for a minimum of 30 minutes. The sera was subsequently diluted 1:3 with PBS buffer and filtered using a 0.22nm filter prior to filling into vials in 0.45ml volumes (450µl).

## 5. STORAGE

Please store at -20 C or below, ideally -70 C.

## 6. DIRECTIONS FOR OPENING

## 7. USE OF MATERIAL

No attempt should be made to weigh out any portion of the freeze-dried material prior to reconstitution
This material, 13/222 is intended for use in ELISA assays for the evaluation of type 3 poliovirus.
It can be used as a coating antigen for ELISA assays at a dilution of 1:1000.

## 8. STABILITY

Reference materials are held at NIBSC within assured, temperature-controlled storage facilities. Reference Materials should be stored on receipt as indicated on the label.

NIBSC follows the policy of WHO with respect to its reference materials.

## 9. REFERENCES

None

## 10. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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## 11. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information can be obtained as follows;
This material: enquiries@nibsc.org
WHO Biological Standards:
http://www.who.int/biologicals/en/
JCTLM Higher order reference materials:
http://www.bipm.org/en/committees/jc/jctlm/
Derivation of International Units:
http://www.nibsc.org/standardisation/international_standards.aspx
Ordering standards from NIBSC:
http://www.nibsc.org/products/ordering.aspx
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## 12. CUSTOMER FEEDBACK

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## 13. CITATION

In all publications, including data sheets, in which this material is referenced, it is important that the preparation's title, its status, the NIBSC code number, and the name and address of NIBSC are cited and cited correctly.

## 14. MATERIAL SAFETY SHEET

Classification in accordance with Directive 2000/54/EC, Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008: Not applicable or not classified

| **Physical and Chemical properties** | | | |
|---|---|---|---|
| Physical appearance: Liquid | | Corrosive: | No |
| Stable: | No | Oxidising: | No |
| Hygroscopic: | No | Irritant: | No |
| Flammable: | No | Handling: | See caution, Section 2 |
| Other (specify): | Sheep Serum | | |

| **Toxicological properties** | |
|---|---|
| Effects of inhalation: | Not established, avoid inhalation |
| Effects of ingestion: | Not established, avoid ingestion |
| Effects of skin absorption: | Not established, avoid contact with skin |

| **Suggested First Aid** | |
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| Inhalation: | Seek medical advice |
| Ingestion: | Seek medical advice |
| Contact with eyes: | Wash with copious amounts of water. Seek medical advice |
| Contact with skin: | Wash thoroughly with water. |

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| Action on Spillage and Method of Disposal |
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| Spillage of ampoule contents should be taken up with absorbent material wetted with an appropriate disinfectant. Rinse area with an appropriate disinfectant followed by water.<br>Absorbent materials used to treat spillage should be treated as biological waste. |

**15. LIABILITY AND LOSS**

In the event that this document is translated into another language, the English language version shall prevail in the event of any inconsistencies between the documents.

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**16. INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMS USE ONLY**

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| **Country of origin for customs purposes*:** United Kingdom<br>* Defined as the country where the goods have been produced and/or sufficiently processed to be classed as originating from the country of supply, for example a change of state such as freeze-drying. |
| **Net weight:** 2g |
| **Toxicity Statement: Toxicity not assessed** |
| **Veterinary certificate or other statement** if applicable.<br>**Attached:** Yes SH6119 |

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## VETERINARY CERTIFICATE OF ANIMAL HEALTH

This is to certify that I have examined a Sheep with ear tag number: UK 028 8289 6119 [Virology no. JM-G:64 - 6119], which has been used in the production of blood antiserum between 3rd July 2013 and 14th August 2013. Both the ear tag number and the animals' record show that it is of UK origin.

This animal was a breeding Ewe which became surplus to requirements. In my opinion at the time of clinical examination, the ewe was in good health and showed no clinical signs of infectious disease.

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