Influenza Reagent

Influenza virus infectious NIB-40

NIBSC code: 98/600

Instructions for use

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1. INTENDED USE

Reagent 98/600 is prepared from NIB-40 (A/Duck/Singapore-Q/F119-3/97(H5N3) x A/PR/8/34(H1N1) which was processed for freeze drying in 250 µl volumes as described by Campbell, PJ, Journal of Biological Standardisation, 1974, 2, 249-267. The known passage history of NIB-40 is attached.

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.

Each ampoule contains 250µl (nominal) of freeze dried infectious influenza virus as allantoic fluid from SPF embryonated hens eggs.

5. STORAGE

Store in the dark at -20°C or below

Please note: because of the inherent stability of lyophilized material, NIBSC may ship these materials at ambient temperature.

6. DIRECTIONS FOR OPENING

DIN ampoules have an ‘easy-open’ coloured stress point, where the narrow ampoule stem joins the wider ampoule body. Various types of ampoule breaker are available commercially. To open the ampoule, tap the ampoule gently to collect material at the bottom (labelled) end and follow manufacturers instructions provided with the ampoule breaker.

7. USE OF MATERIAL

Reconstitute the contents of one ampoule of reagent with 250µl of sterile distilled water. Leave for a minimum of 5 minutes before use to allow for complete solution of freeze dried material. A range of dilutions (e.g. 10-3 to 10-5) should be made in a suitable medium for initial cultivation.

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

NA

10. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

NA

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

NIBSC Terms & Conditions:

http://www.nibsc.org/terms_and_conditions.aspx

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


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<td>Physical appearance: White powder</td>
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<td>Hygroscopic: No</td>
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<td>Other (specify): Live influenza virus</td>
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<th>Toxicological properties</th>
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<td>Effects of inhalation: Likelihood of influenza virus infection</td>
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<td>Effects of ingestion: Not established, avoid ingestion</td>
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<td>Effects of skin absorption: Not established, avoid contact with skin</td>
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Suggested First Aid

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.

Action on Spillage and Method of Disposal

Spillage of contents should be taken up with absorbent material wetted with a virucidal agent. Rinse area with an appropriate virucidal agent followed by water.

Absorbent materials used to treat spillage should be treated as biologically hazardous waste.

15. LIABILITY AND LOSS

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16. INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMS USE ONLY

| Country of origin for customs purposes*: United Kingdom |
| * 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: NA |
| Toxicity Statement: Non-toxic |
| Veterinary certificate or other statement if applicable. |
| Attached: No |

Table: Derivation of NIB-40

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