

## Sindbis Virus, EgAr 339

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#### Product Description:

Virus Classification: *Togaviridae, Alphavirus*

Species: Sindbis virus

Strain: EgAr 339

Original Source: Sindbis virus, EgAr 339 was originally isolated in 1952 in the Sindbis health district north of Cairo, Egypt from a pool of mosquitos (*Culex pipiens* and *Culex univittatus*).<sup>1,2</sup>

Comments: EgAr 339 is the prototype strain of Sindbis virus, which is the etiologic agent of Sindbis fever and is antigenically closely related to western equine encephalitis virus.<sup>3</sup> Sindbis viruses have recently been identified as the causative agents of Karelian fever, Ockelbo disease and Pogosta disease.<sup>4,5</sup> These infections are characterized by arthritis, fatigue, fever, headache and rash.<sup>6</sup>

#### Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 1 mL of clarified supernatant from *Cercopithecus aethiops* kidney epithelial cells (Vero E6; ATCC® CRL-1586™) infected with Sindbis virus, EgAr 339.

Note: If homogeneity is required for your intended use, please purify prior to initiating work.

#### Packaging/Storage:

NR-15695 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -70°C or colder immediately upon arrival. For long-term storage, the vapor phase of a liquid nitrogen freezer is recommended. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

#### Growth Conditions:

Host: Vero E6 cells (ATCC® CRL-1586)

Growth Medium: Eagle's Minimum Essential Medium supplemented with 10% fetal bovine serum, 1% L-glutamine and 1% sodium pyruvate, or equivalent

Infection: Cells should be approximately 90% confluent

Incubation: 2 to 4 days at 37°C and 5% CO<sub>2</sub>

Cytopathic Effect: Rounding and detachment

#### Citation:

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#### Biosafety Level: 2

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following publication: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Institutes of Health. Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories. 5th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2009; see [www.cdc.gov/biosafety/publications/bmb15/index.htm](http://www.cdc.gov/biosafety/publications/bmb15/index.htm).

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