

**Kilbourne F169:  
A/turkey/Massachusetts/3740/1975 (HA) x  
A/Aichi/2/1968 (NA) x A/Puerto Rico/8/1934  
(H6N2), Reassortant X-88**

**Catalog No. NR-3589**

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**Contributor:**

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**Product Description:**

Virus Classification: *Orthomyxoviridae, Influenzavirus A*

Species: Influenza A virus

Reassortant: A/turkey/Massachusetts/3740/1975 (HA) x  
A/Aichi/2/1968 (NA) x A/Puerto Rico/8/1934 (H6N2)  
(Kilbourne F169; X-88)<sup>1-3</sup>

Parents: X-31 (H3N2) and X-76 (H6N1)

Comments: NR-3589 was developed by crossing two previously derived influenza A virus reassortants. The X-76 parent carries the H6 HA gene from A/turkey/Massachusetts/3740/1975 (H6N2) and the N1 NA gene from A/India/6263/1980 (H1N1),<sup>1,4</sup> while the X-31 parent (Kilbourne F108; BEI Resources NR-3483) is A/Aichi/2/1968 (HA, NA) x A/Puerto Rico/8/1934 (H1N1).<sup>5</sup> The gene segments encoding the internal virion proteins and the nonstructural protein are derived from A/Puerto Rico/8/1934 (H1N1).<sup>1,6</sup>

**Material Provided:**

Each vial contains approximately 1 mL of pooled allantoic fluid from specific pathogen free (SPF) embryonated chicken eggs infected with reassortant influenza A virus, A/turkey/Massachusetts/3740/1975 (HA) x A/Aichi/2/1968 (NA) x A/Puerto Rico/8/1934 (H6N2).

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

**Packaging/Storage:**

NR-3589 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -60°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: 9- to 11-day-old SPF embryonated chicken eggs

Infection: Embryonated chicken eggs must be candled for viability prior to inoculation

Incubation: 2 days at 35°C in a humidified chamber

Effect: Hemagglutination activity using chicken red blood cells and allantoic fluid from infected embryonated chicken eggs

**Citation:**

Acknowledgment for publications should read "The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH: Kilbourne F169: A/turkey/Massachusetts/3740/1975 (HA) x A/Aichi/2/1968 (NA) x A/Puerto Rico/8/1934 (H6N2), Reassortant X-88, NR-3589."

**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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