

Total RNA from *Brugia malayi*, Strain FR3, Stage L4

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Product Description:

NR-42496 is a preparation of total RNA extracted from *Brugia malayi* (*B. malayi*), strain FR3, fourth stage larvae (L4). *B. malayi*, strain FR3 was originally obtained from researchers in Malaysia by Dr. John Schacher.^{1,2}

B. malayi is a mosquito-borne filarial nematode worm that causes lymphatic filariasis.³ Mosquitos deposit infective third stage larvae (L3) on human skin. The larvae then penetrate and migrate to the lymphatic vessels where they develop into adult worms over several months. Development includes molting transitions into fourth stage larvae (L4) and fifth stage larvae (L5) to reach maturation. The matured female worms release large numbers of microfilariae into the host bloodstream. The microfilariae are ingested by a mosquito during a blood meal and penetrate the midgut and develop over a period of 10 to 14 days to L3. L3 are developmentally arrested in the mosquito. The process repeats when the mosquito's proboscis penetrates human skin.⁴

Material Provided:

Each vial of NR-42496 contains 0.5 µg to 2.0 µg of DNase-treated RNA in TE buffer (1 mM Tris-HCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, pH ~ 8). The concentration is shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-42496 was packaged in Rnase/DNase-free plastic vials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -80°C or colder upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be minimized.

Citation:

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