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Vector pCAGGS Containing the Marburg Marburgvirus, Ravn VP40 Gene with N-Terminal FLAG Tag

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Product Description:

The VP40 matrix protein gene from Marburg marburgvirus (MARV), Ravn (GenBank: EU500827) was directionally subcloned into a modified pCAGGS mammalian expression vector.¹ The resulting plasmid encodes a recombinant MARV VP40 containing a FLAG tag (DYKDDDDK) and three additional alanine residues at the amino terminus. The plasmid was produced in *Escherichia coli* and extracted.

VP40 is tightly associated with the inner leaflet of the virion membrane and drives filovirus budding.² Cells expressing both VP40 and a filovirus glycoprotein produce virus-like particles. MARV VP40 inhibits the interferon-induced phosphorylation of Jak and STAT proteins.³

NR-49354 has been qualified for use in bacterial transformations.

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 50 μ L of plasmid DNA. The DNA concentration and content are shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-49354 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen on dry ice and should be stored at -20°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be minimized.

Citation:

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