

**Total RNA from Adult *Culex quinquefasciatus*, Strain JHB**

**Catalog No. NR-50277**

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**Product Description:**

NR-50277 is a preparation of total RNA extracted from adult stage *Culex quinquefasciatus* (*C. quinquefasciatus*), strain JHB. RNA was extracted using a modified TRIzol (Invitrogen™) protocol developed by the Williams Lab at Smith College.

*C. quinquefasciatus* mosquitos are transmission vectors for filarial nematodes that cause human lymphatic filariasis.<sup>1</sup> Microfilariae (MF) are ingested by mosquitos during a blood meal. On maturity most of the infective third stage larvae (L3) migrate to the head and proboscis of the mosquito and are subsequently transmitted to a mammalian host. They develop to juvenile adults in the mammalian host and produce MF of their own to repeat the life cycle.<sup>2</sup>

**Material Provided:**

Each vial of NR-50277 contains 0.5 µg to 2.0 µg of RNA in TE buffer. The concentration is shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening.

**Packaging/Storage:**

NR-50277 was packaged in 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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Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following

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