

## Flexal Virus, BeAn 293022, Gamma-Irradiated

### Catalog No. NR-48948

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#### Product Description:

Gamma-irradiated Flexal Virus, BeAn 293022<sup>1-5</sup> was prepared from infected Vero E6 cell pellets. Cell pellets were resuspended in 50 mM sodium borate and 120 mM sodium chloride (pH 9) containing 1% Triton X-100, gamma-irradiated ( $5 \times 10^6$  RADs) on dry ice and sonicated. Cell debris was removed by centrifugation and the supernatant containing the irradiated antigen was aliquoted and vialled.

NR-48948 was tested for residual virus following the procedure described by Towner et al.<sup>6</sup> No residual virus was recovered.

#### Material Provided:

Each vial contains 100  $\mu$ L of irradiated antigen in 50 mM sodium borate and 120 mM sodium chloride (pH 9) containing 1% Triton X-100. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening.

#### Packaging/Storage:

NR-48948 was packaged aseptically, in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -20°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

#### Citation:

Acknowledgment for publications should read "The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH: Flexal Virus, BeAn 293022, Gamma-Irradiated, NR-48948."

#### Biosafety Level: 1

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