

***Plasmodium falciparum*, Strain Dd2**

**Catalog No. MRA-150**

**Product Description:** *Plasmodium falciparum* (*P. falciparum*), strain Dd2 is a clone derived from W2-MEF, which was selected from W2-MCII after 6 months of continuous cultivation in the presence of mefloquine. W2-MCII was derived from W2'82 after 12 months of continuous cultivation in the presence of mefloquine, which was itself derived from Indochina III/CDC. *P. falciparum*, strain Dd2 was deposited as resistant to chloroquine, pyrimethamine and mefloquine.

**Lot<sup>1</sup>: 70008762**

**Manufacturing Date: 06SEP2017**

TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
<b>Identification by Giemsa Stain Microscopy<sup>2</sup></b>	Blood-stage parasites present	Blood-stage parasites present
<b>Antimalarial Susceptibility Profile (<i>in vitro</i>)</b> Half-maximal Inhibitory Concentration (IC <sub>50</sub> ) by SYBR green I <sup>®</sup> drug sensitivity assay <sup>3</sup> Chloroquine Artemisinin Quinine Cycloguanil Pyrimethamine Sulfadoxine	Report results Report results Report results Report results Report results Report results	50.0 ± 1.2 nM 23.5 ± 0.5 nM 226.7 ± 10.4 nM 1483 ± 171.1 nM 28300 ± 2610.2 nM 349000 ± 48370 nM
<b>Genotypic Analysis</b> Sequencing of Merozoite Surface Protein 2 (MSP2) gene (~ 790 base pairs)  MSP2 PCR amplicon analysis <sup>4</sup>	≥ 99% sequence identity to <i>P. falciparum</i> , strain Dd2 (GenBank: AASM01000018.1)  ~ 600-900 base pair amplicon	100% sequence identity to <i>P. falciparum</i> , strain Dd2 (GenBank: AASM01000018.1) (Figure 1)  ~ 900 base pair amplicon
<b>Level of Parasitemia</b> Pre-freeze <sup>5</sup> Ring-stage parasitemia Total parasitemia Post-freeze <sup>6</sup> Ring-stage parasitemia Total parasitemia	Report results ≥ 2%  Report results ≥ 1%	5.20% 5.75%  0.40% 2.40%
<b>Viability (post-freeze)<sup>7</sup></b>	Growth in infected red blood cells	Growth in infected red blood cells (Figure 2)
<b>Sterility (21-day incubation)</b> Harpo's HTYE broth <sup>8</sup> , 37°C and 26°C, aerobic Tryptic Soy broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic Sabouraud Dextrose broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic DMEM with 10% FBS, 37°C, aerobic Sheep Blood agar, 37°C, aerobic Sheep Blood agar, 37°C, anaerobic Thioglycollate broth, 37°C, anaerobic	No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth	No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth
<b>Mycoplasma Contamination</b> DNA Detection by PCR	None detected	None detected

<sup>1</sup>MRA-150 was produced by cultivation of MR-MRA-150 lot 64043571 in fresh human erythrocytes suspended in RPMI 1640 medium, adjusted to contain 10% (v/v) heat-inactivated human serum (pooled Type A), 25 mM HEPES, 2 mM L-glutamine, 4 g/L D-glucose, 0.005 µg/mL hypoxanthine and 2.5 µg/mL gentamicin. The culture was incubated at 37°C in sealed flasks outgassed with blood-gas atmosphere (90% N<sub>2</sub>, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>, 5% O<sub>2</sub>)

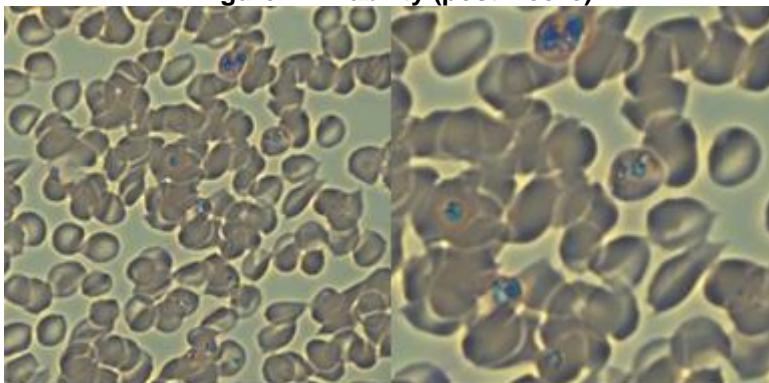
- and monitored for parasitemia daily for 8 days. Every 1 to 2 days, uninfected, leukocyte filtered, Type O erythrocytes in complete culture medium were added dropwise to the culture as needed and monitored for hematocrit.
- <sup>2</sup>Blood-stage malaria parasites (rings, trophozoites, schizonts +/- gametocytes) were examined by microscopic Giemsa-stained blood smears of an *in vitro* human blood culture over 3 days.
- <sup>3</sup>A SYBR Green I<sup>®</sup> anti-malarial drug sensitivity assay in 96-well plates was used to determine IC<sub>50</sub> values of an active (> 70% ring stage) parasite culture in the presence of each antimalarial drug [Hartwig, C. L., et al. "XI: I. SYBR Green I<sup>®</sup>-Based Parasite Growth Inhibition Assay for Measurement of Antimalarial Drug Susceptibility in *Plasmodium falciparum*." In *Methods in Malaria Research Sixth Edition*. (2013) Moll, K., et al. (Ed.), EVIMalaR, pp. 122-129. Available at: <https://www.beiresources.org/Publications/MethodsInMalariaResearch.aspx>].
- <sup>4</sup>Primer sequences and conditions for PCR are available upon request.
- <sup>5</sup>Pre-freeze parasitemia was determined after 8 days post infection by microscopic counts of Giemsa-stained blood smears.
- <sup>6</sup>Post-freeze parasitemia was determined after 3 days post infection by microscopic counts of Giemsa-stained blood smears.
- <sup>7</sup>Viability was confirmed by examination of infected erythrocytes for parasitemia at 3 days post infection.
- <sup>8</sup>Atlas, Ronald M. *Handbook of Microbiological Media*. 3rd ed. Ed. Lawrence C. Parks. Boca Raton: CRC Press, 2004, p. 798.

**Figure 1: MRA-150 MSP2 Sequence**

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**Figure 2: Viability (post-freeze)**



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