

Mayaro Virus, BeAr505411

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Product Description:

Virus Classification: *Togaviridae, Alphavirus*

Species: Mayaro virus

Strain/Isolate: BeAr505411

Original Source: Mayaro virus (MAYV), BeAr505411 was isolated from *Haemagogus janthonyi* mosquitoes in Para, Brazil in March, 1991,^{1,2} and contributed to WRCEVA by Amelia Travassos da Rosa of the Instituto Evandro Chagas, Belem, Para, Brazil. In order to remove contaminating mycoplasma, the first viral passage at BEI Resources was performed by lipofectamine-mediated transfection of extracted viral RNA.

MAYV is a New World alphavirus that is the etiologic agent of Mayaro fever, an acute febrile illness sometimes accompanied by severe and persistent arthritis. MAYV was first isolated in Trinidad in 1954, and there have been sporadic outbreaks of Mayaro fever in South America since. The enzootic transmission cycle of MAYV is not fully understood, but the occurrence of relatively large outbreaks of Mayaro fever³ and the competence of *Aedes* mosquitoes for transmission of MAYV⁴ suggest the potential for an urban human-mosquito-human transmission cycle to emerge.

There are two distinct genotypes of MAYV, D and L. Genotype D includes viruses isolated from all countries where MAYV has been detected, while genotype L strains have been found only in Brazil.^{1,2} BeAr505411 is an L genotype virus.

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 1 mL of cell lysate and supernatant from *Cercopithecus aethiops* kidney epithelial cells (Vero; ATCC® CCL-81™) infected with MAYV, BeAr505411.

Note: If homogeneity is required for your intended use, please purify prior to initiating work.

Packaging/Storage:

NR-49910 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -60°C or colder immediately upon arrival. For long-

term storage, the vapor phase of a liquid nitrogen freezer is recommended. Freeze-thaw cycles should be avoided.

Growth Conditions:

Host: *Cercopithecus aethiops* kidney epithelial cells (Vero; ATCC® CCL-81™)

Growth Medium: Eagle's Minimum Essential Medium containing Earle's Balanced Salt Solution, non-essential amino acids, 2 mM L-glutamine, 1 mM sodium pyruvate and 1.5 g/L of sodium bicarbonate supplemented with 2% fetal bovine serum, or equivalent

Infection: Cells should be 70% to 90% confluent

Incubation: 2 to 7 days at 37°C and 5% CO₂

Cytopathic Effect: Cell rounding and detachment

Citation:

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Biosafety Level: 2

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