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# Complementary DNA Synthesized from *Schistosoma mansoni*, Strain NMRI, Infected Mouse MicroRNA (acute)

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## **Product Description:**

Complementary DNA (cDNA) was synthesized from microRNA (miRNA) extracted from pooled plasma of mice infected for 3 weeks with *Schistosoma mansoni* (*S. mansoni*), strain NMRI.

miRNAs are members of a rapidly growing class of small noncoding RNAs, 19 to 23 nucleotides in length, that are present in a highly stable cell-free form in body fluids of animals. miRNAs play an important role in disease and can serve as biomarkers of *Schistosoma* infection.<sup>1</sup> miRNA was obtained from uninfected mouse plasma using the NucleoSpin<sup>®</sup> miRNA Plasma kit (Clontech) which is designed for the isolation of short RNA species from cell free blood plasma or serum. cDNA was synthesized from the miRNA with the Mir-X<sup>™</sup> miRNA First-Strand Synthesis Kit (Clontech). In the synthesis reaction, miRNAs are poly(A)-tailed using poly(A) polymerase, and then copied using a modified oligo(dT) primer and reverse transcriptase.

#### **Material Provided:**

Each vial of NR-48854 contains approximately 1  $\mu$ g of cDNA in DNase/RNase-free distilled water. The concentration is shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening.

#### Packaging/Storage:

NR-48854 was packaged in cryovials. The product is provided frozen and should be stored at -20°C or colder upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be minimized.

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