

**Human Respiratory Syncytial Virus, A2001/3-12**

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**Product Description:**

Virus Classification: *Pneumoviridae, Orthopneumovirus*

Species: Human respiratory syncytial virus

Strain/Isolate: A2001/3-12

Original Source: Human respiratory syncytial virus (RSV), A2001/3-12 was isolated from a nasal wash from an infant with RSV bronchiolitis in Nashville, Tennessee, USA, on March 12, 2001.<sup>1</sup>

Comments: A2001/3-12 is one of six clinical RSV isolates that recently were shown to induce variable disease severity, lung interleukin-13 (IL-13) levels, and gob-5 levels in BALB/cJ mice.<sup>2</sup> IL-13 is a cytokine linked to mucus production and gob-5 is a calcium-activated chloride channel family member implicated in airway inflammation.<sup>3,4</sup> Compared to mock infection, RSV, A2001/3-12 infection led to relatively low levels of gob-5 in lung tissue, and no significant elevation in IL-13 expression, but did induce early weight loss and lung damage in infected mice.<sup>2</sup> The complete genome of RSV, A2001/3-12 has been sequenced (GenBank: [JX069799](#)).

RSV is an enveloped, negative-sense, non-segmented, single-stranded RNA virus first isolated in 1955 from chimpanzees suffering from respiratory illness.<sup>5</sup> RSV is a major pathogen in children, causing severe lower respiratory tract disease in infants and young children. RSV can also infect adults, causing severe illness in the elderly.<sup>5,6</sup> RSV genome contains 10 genes encoding for 11 proteins including G and F surface glycoproteins with important roles in entry.<sup>6</sup> RSV is divided into two distinct subtypes, A and B, with each divided into multiple genotypes. Most genetic studies in RSV are focused on G glycoprotein, which is the most variable structural protein among RSV isolates.<sup>5,6</sup>

**Material Provided:**

Each vial contains approximately 1 mL of cell lysate and supernatant from HEP-2 cells infected with human respiratory syncytial virus, A2001/3-12.

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

**Packaging/Storage:**

NR-28526 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: HEP-2 cells (ATCC® CCL-23™)

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 1500 mg per L of sodium bicarbonate supplemented with 2% fetal bovine serum, or equivalent

Infection: Cells should be 60% to 80% confluent

Incubation: 3 to 8 days at 37°C and 5% CO<sub>2</sub>

Cytopathic Effect: Syncytia formation

**Citation:**

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