

SARS-Related Coronavirus 2, Isolate hCoV-19/USA/MD-HP38960/2022 (Lineage BQ.1; Omicron Variant)

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Product Description:

Virus Classification: *Coronaviridae*, *Betacoronavirus*

Species: Severe acute respiratory syndrome-related coronavirus 2

Strain/Isolate: hCoV-19/USA/MD-HP38960/2022

Original Source: Severe acute respiratory syndrome-related coronavirus 2 (SARS-CoV-2), isolate hCoV-19/USA/MD-HP38960/2022 was isolated from a human on September 23, 2022, in Maryland, USA.¹

Note: Genome sequence information is provided on the Certificate of Analysis and includes an analysis of all sequence variations observed for each lot.

Comments: Under the nomenclature system introduced by GISAID (Global Initiative on Sharing All Influenza Data), SARS-CoV-2, isolate hCoV-19/USA/MD-HP38960/2022 is assigned lineage BQ.1 (Pango v.4.1.3 PLEARN-v1.17), Omicron (BA.5-like) (Scorpio) and GISAID clade GRA using the Phylogenetic Assignment of Named Global Outbreak lineages (PANGO) tool.^{1,2,3} The complete genome of SARS-CoV-2, isolate hCoV-19/USA/MD-HP38960/2022 has been sequenced (GISAID: EPI_ISL_15313563).^{1,2} The following mutations are present in the clinical isolate: Spike A27S, Spike D405N, Spike D614G, Spike D796Y, Spike E484A, Spike F486V, Spike G142D, Spike G339D, Spike H69del, Spike H655Y, Spike K417N, Spike K444T, Spike L24del, Spike L452R, Spike N440K, Spike N460K, Spike N501Y, Spike N679K, Spike N764K, Spike N969K, Spike P25del, Spike P26del, Spike P681H, Spike Q498R, Spike Q954H, Spike R408S, Spike S371F, Spike S373P, Spike S375F, Spike S477N, Spike T19I, Spike T376A, Spike T478K, Spike V70del, Spike V213G, Spike Y505H, E (Envelope) T9I, M (Membrane) A63T, M D3N, M Q19E, N (Nucleocapsid) E31del, N E136D, N G204R, N P13L, N R32del, N R203K, N S33del, N S413R, NS3 T223I, NSP1 (Non-structural protein 1) S135R, NSP2 (Non-structural protein 2) Q376K, NSP3 (Non-structural protein 3) G489S, NSP3 T24I, NSP4 (Non-structural protein 4) L264F, NSP4 T327I, NSP4 T492I, NSP5 (Non-structural protein 5) P132H, NSP6 (Non-structural protein 6) F108del, NSP6 G107del, NSP6 L260F, NSP6 S106del, NSP12 (Non-structural protein 12) P323L, NSP12 Y273H, NSP13 (Non-structural protein 13) M233I, NSP13 N268S, NSP13 R392C, NSP14 (Non-structural protein 14) I42V, NSP15 (Non-

structural protein 15) T112I.^{1,2} It was labeled as VOC Omicron GRA (B.1.1.529+BA.*), first detected in Botswana/Hong Kong/South Africa by the World Health Organization (WHO).^{1,4}

In December 2019, an outbreak of a respiratory illness (COVID-19) began in Wuhan, Hubei Province, China. The outbreak is associated with a seafood market and although environmental samples from the market are positive for the novel coronavirus, an association with a particular animal has not been determined.⁵ SARS-CoV-2 has been isolated from patients from several countries and the sequences of some of these isolates have been deposited with GISAID.

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 0.1 mL of spin-clarified cell lysate and supernatant from *Cercopithecus aethiops* kidney epithelial cells expressing transmembrane protease, serine 2 and human angiotensin-converting enzyme 2 (Vero E6-TMPRSS2-T2A-ACE2; VTA) infected with SARS-CoV-2, isolate hCoV-19/USA/MD-HP38960/2022.

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

Packaging/Storage:

NR-58975 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 Expressing Transmembrane Protease, Serine 2 and Human Angiotensin-Converting Enzyme 2 (Vero E6-TMPRSS2-T2A-ACE2; VTA; BEI Resources NR-54970)

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 milligrams per liter of sodium bicarbonate supplemented with 2% fetal bovine serum, or equivalent

Infection: Cells should be 70% to 90% confluent

Incubation: 2 to 4 days at 37°C and 5% CO₂

Cytopathic Effect: Cell rounding and sloughing

Citation:

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