

# Product Information Sheet for NR-54975

## Vector pH Containing the SARS Coronavirus, Recombinant Ectodomain Gene Spike

### Catalog No. NR-54975

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#### Product Description:

NR-54975 is an expression vector containing the SARS coronavirus, recombinant spike ectodomain gene insert (codon optimized) encoding S1 ectodomain residues 1-1190 (GenPept: [AAP41037.1](#)) linked to C-terminal T4 fibrin trimerization domain (foldon), an HRV3C cleavage site, octa His-tag and Strep-tag® II. Recombinant S ectodomain trimer is stabilized in the prefusion conformation by two proline substitutions (K968P and V969P).<sup>1,2</sup> NR-54975 contains the beta-lactamase gene, *bla*, to provide transformant selection through ampicillin resistance in *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). NR-54975 is also referred to as VRC7575.<sup>1</sup> The plasmid is approximately 7710 base pairs and the complete plasmid sequence and map are provided on the BEI Resources webpage. The plasmid was produced in *E. coli* and extracted.

The S glycoprotein mediates viral binding to the host angiotensin-converting enzyme 2 (ACE2). This protein forms a trimer, and when bound to a host receptor allows fusion of the viral and cellular membranes. The S protein is a target for neutralizing antibodies.<sup>3,4</sup>

#### Material Provided:

Each vial contains plasmid DNA in TE buffer (10 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0). The DNA concentration and volume provided are shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening. **Note:** The contents of the vial should be used to replicate the plasmid in *E. coli* prior to mammalian expression.

#### Packaging/Storage:

NR-54975 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen on dry ice and should be stored at -20°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be minimized.

#### Citation:

Acknowledgment for publications should read "The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH:

Vector pH Containing the SARS Coronavirus, Recombinant S Ectodomain Gene, NR-54975."

#### Biosafety Level: 1

Appropriate safety procedures should always be used with this material. Laboratory safety is discussed in the following publication: U.S. Department of Health and Human Services, Public Health Service, Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, and National Institutes of Health. [Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories \(BMBL\)](#), 6th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2020.

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