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Taterapox Virus, V71-I-016

Catalog No. NR-49737

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Product Description:

<u>Virus Classification</u>: *Poxviridae, Orthopoxvirus* <u>Species</u>: Taterapox virus (also referred to as gerbilpox) <u>Strain/Isolate</u>: V71-I-016

- <u>Original Source</u>: Taterapox virus (TATV), V71-I-016 was originally isolated from an apparently healthy wild nakedsoled gerbil (*Tatera kempii*, current valid taxonomy *Gerbilliscus kempii*) caught near Kouandé in Dahomey (now Benin), West Africa, on April 23, 1968.^{1,2} TATV was isolated at the University of Ibadan Virus Research Laboratory by intracerebral inoculation of neonatal mice with liver and spleen homogenate from the captured gerbil. Brain homogenates from ill mice were transferred to the Yale Arbovirus Research Unit and later to the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention. The virus was subsequently passaged in mouse brain, chicken eggs, Vero cells, and BSC-40 cells.^{2,3} The exact passage history of TATV, V71-I-016 is unknown.
- <u>Comments</u>: Among the orthopoxviruses, TATV is most closely related to variola and camelpox viruses.⁴ The complete genomic sequence of TATV has been determined (GenBank: <u>DQ437594</u>).^{5,6}

Material Provided:

Each vial contains approximately 1.0 mL of cell lysate and supernatant from *Chlorocebus* (formerly *Cercopithecus*) *aethiops* kidney epithelial cells infected with TATV, V71-I-016.

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

Packaging/Storage:

NR-49737 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:

<u>Host</u>: *Chlorocebus* (formerly *Cercopithecus*) *aethiops* kidney epithelial cells (BSC-40)

<u>Growth Medium</u>: Dulbecco's Modified Eagle's Medium (DMEM) containing 4 mM L-glutamine, 4500 mg/L glucose, 1 mM sodium pyruvate, and 1500 mg/L sodium bicarbonate. supplemented with 2% fetal bovine serum, or equivalent <u>Infection</u>: Cells should be 70% to 80% confluent <u>Incubation</u>: 2 to 5 days at 37°C and 5% CO₂ <u>Cytopathic Effect</u>: Refractile cell rounding and sloughing

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Biosafety Level: 2

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. <u>Biosafety in Microbiological and Biomedical Laboratories (BMBL)</u>. 6th ed. Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2020.

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