



*Anopheles gambiae* Patton (Cellia)

**Strain Name:** ZAN/U, MRA-594

**Place of Origin:** Mwera, Zanzibar

**Colonization date:** 1982

**Established by:** Dr. C.F. Curtis

**Deposited by:** Dr. Frank Collins, Dr. Hilary Ranson

**Genotype:** 2La/+, 2Rj +/+, TEP1 r/s

**Phenotype:** polymorphic for c+ (*collarless*); increased Glutathione-S-transferase activity

**Karyotype:** undefined

**Ribosomal DNA form:** Savanna

**Insecticide Resistance:** DDT

**Larval Morphological Traits**



Collarless (c+) is caused by a uric acid build-up in the larvae. Expression is often variable but best seen in L4 larvae. ZAN/U is polymorphic for c+



Red stripe-if present, individuals expressing red stripe are female



When reared in a dark pan, larvae with wild-type eye color will melanize when compared to a cohort reared in a white pan.

**Adult Morphological Traits**



Morphological characteristics of *An. gambiae* s.l. adults.

**Authentication Methods used to confirm stock identity**

1. Examined immatures for the *collarless* (c+) trait: L4 larvae are polymorphic for c+.
2. Examined the color of the larvae when cultured in a black pan: larvae are melanized when compared to a cohort reared in a white pan.
3. Examined adults microscopically for morphological characters: all individuals had standard features of *An. gambiae* and wild-type eye.
4. Exposed L4 larvae to .4ppm DDT for 24 hours to confirm resistant status. ~100% survival expected.
5. At least 40 mixed ♂&♀ molecularly tested for *An. gambiae* identification and rDNA type. *An. gambiae* s.s. and savanna type expected.



6. At least 40 mixed ♂&♀ molecularly tested for ZAN/U specific SNPs in the white gene.

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