

Certificate of Analysis for MRA-739

Plasmodium falciparum, Strain FCR-3/Gambia Clone D-4, Knobless

Catalog No. MRA-739

Product Description:

Plasmodium falciparum (P. falciparum), strain FCR-3/Gambia Clone D-4, Knobless was derived from isolate FCR-3/FMG (Gambia) after four years of continuous culture by W. Trager by microscopic selection. Strain FCR-3/FMG (Gambia) was isolated in 1976 from the blood of a human patient in The Gambia, West Africa. MRA-739 was produced by cultivation of seed material in fresh human erythrocytes suspended in RPMI 1640 medium, adjusted to contain 10% (volume per volume) heat-inactivated human serum (pooled Type A), 25 mM HEPES, 2 mM L-glutamine, 4 grams per liter D-glucose, 0.005 micrograms per mL hypoxanthine and 2.5 micrograms per mL gentamicin. The culture was incubated at 37°C in sealed flasks outgassed with blood-gas atmosphere (90% N₂, 5% CO₂, 5% O₂) and monitored for parasitemia for 12 days. Every 1 to 2 days, uninfected, leukocyte filtered, Type O erythrocytes in complete culture medium were added dropwise to the culture as needed and monitored for hematocrit.

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TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS		
Identification by Giemsa Stain Microscopy ¹	Blood-stage parasites present	Blood-stage parasites present		
Antimalarial Susceptibility Profile (in vitro) ¹ Half-maximal Inhibitory Concentration (IC50) by SYBR green I [®] drug sensitivity assay ²				
Chloroquine	Report results	22.9 ± 1.6 nM		
Artemisinin	Report results	16.4 ± 0.8 nM		
Quinine	Report results	106.7 ± 7.4 nM		
Cycloguanil	Report results	933.3 ± 64.5 nM		
Pyrimethamine	Report results	96.3 ± 11.1 nM		
Sulfadoxine	Report results	399100 ± 46050 nM		
Genotypic Analysis ¹ Sequencing of Merozoite Surface Protein 2 (MSP2) gene (594 base pairs)	Consistent with <i>P. falciparum</i>	Consistent with <i>P. falciparum</i> (Figure 1)		
Functional Activity by PCR Amplification ¹ MSP2 PCR amplicon analysis	600 to 900 base pair amplicon	800 base pair amplicon		
Level of Parasitemia by Giemsa Stain Microscopy Pre-freeze (12 days post-infection) ³				
Ring-stage parasitemia	Report results	5.80%		
Total parasitemia	≥ 2%	9.15%		
Post-freeze (4 days post-infection) ¹				
Ring-stage parasitemia	Report results	5.38%		
Total parasitemia	≥ 1%	7.37%		
Viability (post-freeze; 4 days post-infection) ¹	Growth in infected red blood cells	Growth in infected red blood cells		
Sterility (21-day incubation) ¹				
Harpo's HTYE broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic⁴	No growth	No growth		
Trypticase soy broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic	No growth	No growth		
Sabouraud broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic	No growth	No growth		
DMEM with 10% FBS, 37°C, aerobic	No growth	No growth		
Sheep blood agar, 37°C, aerobic	No growth	No growth		
Sheep blood agar, 37°C, anaerobic	No growth	No growth		
Thioglycollate broth, 37°C, anaerobic	No growth	No growth		

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Mycoplasma Contamination ¹			
DNA detection by PCR	None detected	None detected	

¹Testing completed on vialed, post-freeze material

Figure 1: MRA-739 MSP2 Sequence

	GACAGAAAGT	AATCCTCCTA	CTGGTGCTAG	TGGCAGTGCT	GGTGGTAGTG	CTGGTGGTAG	TGCTGGTGGT	AGTGCTGGTG
	GTAGTGCTGG	TGGTTTTAAA	AAGAAAGTGC	TGGTGGTAGT	GCTGAATTTA	TTTATTGAAG	CAATATTACT	AGAGTTATTT
	AAGAGGGATG	TTGCTGCCCC	ACAGTTTTCT	TTGTTACCAT	CGGTACATTC	TTTTTGACTA	TCAGAAGTAT	TTTGTGGATG
	ATTATTTCTA	GAACCATGCA	TATGTCCATG	TTGTCCTGTA	CCTTTATTCT	CTGGTGCAGA	TTGTAATTCG	GGGGATTCAG
	TTTGTTCGGC	TGTTGGAGCA	GAATTTTCAG	CTTGTTCAGG	TTGTGCAGTA	GGACTTTTAG	TGTCTGCATC	TTGAGTGGGT
	GGAACATTTG	ATTTAGTTTG	AGAGTCTTGT	TGAACATTTG	AGTTATTTTG	AGTTTCTTTA	TTTGCTTGAT	TTGTTTCGGC
	ATTATTATGA	TTTGGATTTT	CTGAAGAGGT	ACTGGTAGAT	GCTTCTGCAT	CATTAGTAGT	TGTGGTAGTT	GTGGTAGTAG
	CGGGAGTACT	TGGACTTCTC	TCAGCATCTG	CACC				

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²A SYBR Green I[®] anti-malarial drug sensitivity assay in 96-well plates was used to determine IC₅₀ values of an active (greater than 70% ring stage) parasite culture in the presence of each antimalarial drug [Hartwig, C. L., et al. "XI: I. SYBR Green I[®]-Based Parasite Growth Inhibition Assay for Measurement of Antimalarial Drug Susceptibility in *Plasmodium falciparum*." In Methods in Malaria Research Sixth Edition. (2013) Moll, K., et al. (Ed.), EVIMalaR, pp. 122-129. Available at: https://www.beiresources.org/Publications/MethodsinMalariaResearch.aspx.]

³Testing completed on bulk material prior to vialing and freezing

⁴Atlas, Ronald M. Handbook of Microbiological Media. 3rd ed. Ed. Lawrence C. Parks. Boca Raton: CRC Press, 2004, p. 798.