SUPPORTING INFECTIOUS DISEASE RESEARCH

Avian Coronavirus, Massachusetts (formerly Avian Infectious Bronchitis Virus)

Catalog No. NR-43284

Product Description: Avian coronavirus (CoV), Massachusetts was isolated in 1941 from the respiratory tract of a 19-day-old chicken with mild respiratory disease.

Passage History: X/CE7 (Prior to deposit at BEI Resources/BEI Resources); X = Unknown; CE = Embryonated chicken eggs¹

Lot²: 70022141

Manufacturing Date: 31JAN2019

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TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Identification by Infectivity Using Embryonated Chicken Eggs ¹ Amplification of Avian CoV sequence by RT-PCR using allantoic fluid from infected eggs	~ 1020 base pair amplicon	~ 1020 base pair amplicon
Sequencing of Species-Specific Region		
(~ 930 nucleotides)	≥ 98% identity with avian CoV, Massachusetts (GenBank: GQ504724.1)	99.9% identity with avian CoV, Massachusetts (GenBank: GQ504724.1)
Titer by CEID ₅₀ Assay ^{3,4} in Embryonated Chicken Eggs ¹	Report results	2.8 × 10 ⁷ CEID ₅₀ per mL
Amplification of Avian CoV Sequence by RT-PCR	~ 1020 base pair amplicon	~ 1020 base pair amplicon
Sterility (21-day incubation)		
Harpo's HTYE broth ⁵ , 37°C and 26°C, aerobic	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
Blood agar, 37°C, aerobic	No growth	No growth
Blood agar, 37°C, anaerobic	No growth	No growth
Thioglycollate broth, 37°C, anaerobic	No growth	No growth
DMEM with 10% FBS, 37°C and 5% CO ₂	No growth	No growth
Mycoplasma Contamination		
Agar and broth culture (14-day incubation at 37°C)	None detected	None detected
DNA detection by PCR of extracted Test Article nucleic acid	None detected	None detected

19- to 11-day-old SPF embryonated chicken eggs acquired from Charles River, Norwich, Connecticut, USA

²NR-43284 lot 70022141 was produced in the allantoic cavity of specific pathogen free (SPF) embryonated chicken eggs¹ infected with BEI Resources NRS-43284 lot 61617366 for 3 days at 37°C in a humidified chamber.

³The Chicken Embryo Infectious Dose 50% (CEID₅₀) is the dilution of virus that under the conditions of the assay can be expected to infect 50% of the inoculated embryonated chicken eggs, just as a Lethal Dose 50% (LD₅₀) is expected to kill half of the animals exposed. A reciprocal of the dilution required to yield the CEID₅₀ provides a measure of the infectious titer (or infectivity) of a virus preparation.

⁴Infected SPF embryonated chicken eggs were incubated for 3 days at 37°C in a humidified chamber.

⁵Atlas, Ronald M. Handbook of Microbiological Media. 3rd ed. Ed. Lawrence C. Parks. Boca Raton: CRC Press, 2004, p. 798.

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