



# Human respiratory syncytial virus

VR-1540™

## Description

Human respiratory syncytial virus strain A2 is propagated in HEP-2 cells (ATCC CCL-23). This strain was isolated in 1961 from the lower respiratory tract of an infant with bronchiolitis and bronchopneumonia in Melbourne, Australia. It has applications in respiratory disease research.

**Strain designation:** A2

**Deposited As:** Respiratory syncytial virus

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## Storage Conditions

**Product format:** Frozen

**Storage conditions:** -70°C or colder

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## Intended Use

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## Growth Conditions

**Host:** HEp-2 (ATCC CCL-23)

**Effects:** CPE; syncytia formation; cell rounding; cell sloughing

**Complete medium:** EMEM (ATCC 30-2003) + 2% FBS (ATCC 30-2020)

**Temperature:** 37°C

**Recommendations for infection:** For best results, infection should be performed on an 80-90% confluent, 18-48 hour old cellular monolayer. Prepare dilution of virus in minimum amount of volume (e.g. 1 mL per 25 cm<sup>2</sup>). Wash monolayer with PBS or serum free medium prior to inoculation. Adsorb virus dilution for 1-2 hours at 37°C in a humidified 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, rocking every 20-30 minutes to redistribute inoculum. End adsorption by adding virus growth medium.

**Incubation:** 3-7 days at 37°C in a humidified 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, until CPE is progressed through 80% of the monolayer.

## Handling Procedures

**Mycoplasma contamination:** Not detected

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## Notes

ATCC VR-1540 was prepared from ATCC VR-1302 by growth in the presence of neutralizing serum to remove contaminating Human adenovirus 1.

**Key Abbreviations:** °C, Degrees Celsius; CO<sub>2</sub>, Carbon dioxide; CPE, Cytopathic effect; EMEM, Eagle's Minimum Essential Medium; FBS, Fetal bovine serum; MOI, Multiplicity of infection; PBS, Phosphate-buffered saline

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