**Product Sheet** 



# Description

Vaccinia virus strain WR is a tissue culture-adapted strain that was derived from Vaccine virus strain WR (ATCC VR-119) via multiple laboratory passages in cell culture. This preparation has been shown to serve as an effective expression vector for foreign genes and has been widely distributed and used in constructing vectors for gene expression.

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Storage Conditions Product format: Frozen Storage conditions: -70°C or colder

### Intended Use

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### **Growth Conditions**

Host: Vero (ATCC CCL-81) Effects: cell rounding; cell sloughing; CPE Complete medium: EMEM (ATCC 30-2003) + 2% FBS (ATCC 30-2020) Temperature: 37°C Atmosphere: 95% Air, 5% CO<sub>2</sub> Recommendations for infection: Plate cells 24 hours prior to infection and infect



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when cultures are 70-80% confluent. Remove medium and inoculate with a small volume of virus (e.g. 1 mL per 25 cm<sup>2</sup>) diluted in Virus growth medium: EMEM to provide an optimal MOI (e.g. 0.1). Adsorb 1-2 hours at 37°C in a humidified 5%  $CO_2$  atmosphere, rocking every 20-30 minutes to redistribute inoculum. End adsorption by adding virus growth medium.

**Incubation:** Incubate infected culture for 2-3 days at  $37^{\circ}$ C in a humidified 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, until CPE are well advance throughout.

# Handling Procedures

Mycoplasma contamination: Not detected

## Notes

Vaccination is recommended for lab staff manipulating vaccinia, monkeypox, or cowpox viruses. This TC-adapted WR strain of vaccinia is derived from ATCC VR-119 and has been shown to serve as an effective expression vector for foreign genes. **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; NCBI, National Center for Biotechnology Information; NIH, National Institutes of Health

# **Material Citation**

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