



# Human astrovirus

VR-1949™

## Description

Human astrovirus strain Type 7 is propagated in Caco-2 [Caco2] cells (ATCC HTB-37). This strain was isolated from a human stool sample in Oxford, United Kingdom, and was deposited by the Centers for Disease Control and Prevention, Division of Viral Diseases. It can be used in a variety of applications, including virucide testing, spiking studies, virus ultrastructural studies, immunological-based assays, enteric disease research, assay development, and vaccine development.

**Strain designation:** Type 7

**Deposited As:** Human astrovirus

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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:** Caco-2 [Caco2] (ATCC HTB-37)

**Effects:** CPE may not be visible – confirm infection by IFA; sloughing and detachment may result from trypsin supplemented growth medium

**Complete medium:**

Growth Medium: EMEM (ATCC 30-2003) + 1 µg/mL 1X-S trypsin (Sigma-Aldrich® T0303)

Diluent/Pre-treatment Medium: EMEM (ATCC 30-2003) + 5 µg/mL 1X-S trypsin (Sigma-Aldrich® T0303)

**Temperature:** 37°C

**Atmosphere:** 95% Air, 5% CO<sub>2</sub>

**Recommendations for infection:** Plate cells 18-24 hours prior to infection and infect

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when cultures are 90-100% confluent. Pre-treat inoculum in EMEM (ATCC 30-2003) + 5 µg/mL 1X-S trypsin (Sigma-Aldrich® T0303) for 30 minutes at 37°C. Remove medium and wash cells two times with DPBS. Inoculate with a small volume of virus (e.g. 1 mL per 25 cm<sup>2</sup>) diluted to provide an optimal MOI (e.g. 1.0). Adsorb 1 hour at 37°C in a humidified 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere. End adsorption by removing inoculum and adding virus growth medium.

**Incubation:** 1-5 days at 37°C in a humidified 5% CO<sub>2</sub> atmosphere, until CPE is progressed through 80% of the monolayer.

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### Notes

Freeze-thaw twice at harvest.

**Key Abbreviations:** °C, Degrees Celsius; CO<sub>2</sub>, Carbon dioxide; D-PBS, Dulbecco's Phosphate-buffered saline; EMEM, Eagle's Minimum Essential Medium; MOI, Multiplicity of infection

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