



EFFICACY OF THE GPS AIR IDF-2 AGAINST AEROSOLIZED INFLUENZA A

PROJECT: GPS AIR IDF-2 – INFLUENZA A AEROSOL

TECHNOLOGY: Needlepoint Bipolar Ionization (NPBI™)

DEVICE: GPS AIR IDF-2

CAP LIC NO: 8860298

CLIA LIC NO: 05D0955926

STATE ID: CLF 00324630

CHALLENGE ORGANISM:

INFLUENZA A

STUDY COMPLETION DATE:

01/11/2023

Medical Director

Dana Yee, M.D.

Testing Facility

Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc.

3188 Airway Ave Suite D

Costa Mesa, CA 92626

www.innovativebioanalysis.com

Email: info@innovativebioanalysis.com

Laboratory Project Number

1365A



Table of Contents

EFFICACY OF THE GPS AIR IDF-2 AGAINST AEROSOLIZED INFLUENZA A 1

 Efficacy Study Summary..... 3

 Study Report 4

 Study Title: 4

 Sponsor: 4

 Test Facility: 4

 Technology Tested: 4

 Device Testing: 4

 Study Dates: 4

 Study Objective: 4

 Test Method:..... 4

 Test System Strains: 5

 Study Materials and Equipment: 7

 Control Protocol:..... 10

 Test Procedures: 10

 Study Results:..... 12

 Conclusion:..... 15

 Disclaimer 16

APPENDIX A: Glossary of Terms..... 17

APPENDIX B: Particle Size Distribution 19

APPENDIX C: Calculation equations..... 20

APPENDIX D: Equipment Calibration Certificates 21

APPENDIX E: BEI Resources - Certificate of Authenticity..... 24



Efficacy Study Summary

Study Title	EFFICACY OF THE GPS AIR IDF-2 AGAINST AEROSOLIZED INFLUENZA A
Laboratory Project #	1365A
Guideline:	GCLP, modified ISO, and BSL-3 standards were used.
Testing Facility	Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc.
GLP Compliance	All internal SOPs and processes follow GCLP guidelines and recommendations.
Test Substance	Influenza A
Description	Per the manufacturer, the GPS Air IDF-2 device incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology is a ceiling fan designed to fit into commercial drop/suspended ceilings to reduce the concentration of pathogens within a room. Testing was conducted with the device set at two different fan speeds to evaluate the effectiveness of the IDF-2 against aerosolized Influenza A.
Test Conditions	Testing was conducted in a 22' x 11' x 8' chamber following BSL-3 standards. The temperature during testing was approximately 70 ± 2°F, with a relative humidity of 41-43%. A 5.82 x 10 ⁶ CEID50/mL of Influenza A in suspension media was nebulized into the room with mixing fans before collection. Air sample collections occurred at 0, 10, and 20 minutes and were tested in duplicate at each device speed of 575 ± 10 RPM and 480 ± 10 RPM.
Test Results	The results at both fan speeds 575 ± 10 RPM and 480 ± 10 RPM, show increased reductions in viral concentration over the natural viability loss observed in the controls. The GPS Air IDF-2 functional sample incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology decreased recoverable Influenza A from 5.82 x 10 ⁶ CEID50/mL to an average of 2.39 x 10 ⁶ CEID50/mL after 10 minutes at a fan speed of 575 ± 10 RPM. After 20 minutes, an average of 9.97 x 10 ⁴ CEID50/mL was recovered. With the fan set at 480 ± 10 RPM, an average of 2.98 x 10 ⁶ CEID50/mL was observed after 10 minutes and 6.32 x 10 ⁵ CEID50/mL after 20 minutes.
Control Results	A single control run was conducted for the two device speeds without the ion function activated, and samples were taken at the corresponding time points used for the challenge. The results displayed natural viability loss in the chamber and were used as a comparative baseline to calculate viral reduction.
Conclusion	The GPS AIR IDF-2 functional sample incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology demonstrated the ability to reduce active Influenza A in the air. At a fan speed of 480 ± 10 RPM, a 27.87% (0.14 log) net reduction after 10 minutes and 76.55% (0.63 log) net reduction within 20 minutes. At a speed of 575 ± 10 RPM, the device demonstrated a 39.63% (0.22 log) net reduction after 10 minutes and 96.08% (1.41 log) net reduction after 20 minutes of operation.



Study Report

Study Title: EFFICACY OF THE GPS AIR IDF-2 AGAINST AEROSOLIZED INFLUENZA A

Sponsor: Global Plasma Solutions (dba GPS Air)

Test Facility: Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc. 3188 Airway Ave Suite D, Costa Mesa, CA 92626

Technology Tested: NPBI™

Device Testing: GPS Air IDF-2

Study Dates:

Study Report Date: 01/18/2023

Experimental Start Date: 12/06/2022

Experimental End Date: 12/11/2022

Study Completion Date: 01/11/2023

Study Objective:

The GPS AIR IDF-2 fan incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology was provided by Global Plasma Solutions (dba GPS Air) for testing to evaluate the device's efficacy against aerosolized viral pathogens. The study was conducted to determine the device's effectiveness in reducing the viral strain, Influenza A, within the air under controlled conditions.

Test Method:

Bioaerosol Generation:

Nebulization occurred using a Blaustein Atomizing Module (BLAM), as shown in Figure 1, with a pre-set PSI and computer-controlled liquid delivery system. Before testing, the nebulizer was checked for proper functionality by nebulizing the solution without the test virus to confirm the average particle size distribution of approximately 0.8 μm . See Table 1 and Appendix B for particle distribution specifics from the sampling of aerosolized solution in particle testing prior to this study. The nebulizer was filled with 5.82×10^6 CEID50/mL of Influenza A in suspension media and nebulized at a flow rate of 1mL/min with untreated local atmospheric air. After nebulization, the nebulizer's remaining viral stock volume was weighed to confirm that approximately the same amount was nebulized during each run. Bioaerosol procedures for the controls and viral challenges were performed in the same manner with corresponding time points and collection rates.



Figure 1: BLAM Nebulizer

INNOVATIVE BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results

Table 1: Particle Size Distribution Table

	Number Particle Size	Surface Particle Size	Mass Particle Size
Median (μm)	0.783	1.2	2.66
Mean (μm)	0.911	2	4.56
Geo. Mean (μm)	0.845	1.43	2.98
Mode (μm)	0.723	0.777	12
Geo. St. Dev.	1.42	2.06	2.57
Total Conc.	2.45e+03(#/cm ³)	7.22e+03($\mu\text{m}^2/\text{cm}^3$)	2.38(mg/m ³)

Bioaerosol Sampling:

This study used four probes for air sampling, each connected to a calibrated Gilian 10i vacuum device and set at a standard flow of 5.02L/min with a 0.20% tolerance. Sample collection volumes were set to 10-minute draws per time point, which allowed for approximately 50 liters of air collection per collection port. The air sampler operated with a removable sealed cassette. Cassettes had an internal filtration disc (Fig. 2) to collect virus samples, which was moistened with a suspension media to aid collection. Filtration discs from Zefon International, Lot# 28875 were used for testing. All sample discs were pooled into one collection tube at each time point to provide an average across the four sampling locations.



Figure 2: Sensidyne 37mm directional air flow sample cassette.

Test System Strains:

The following reagent was obtained through BEI Resources, NIAID, NIH: Influenza A Virus, A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3), NR-31132.



CEID50 Procedure:

Materials and Equipment:

- Certified Biological Safety Cabinet
- Micropipette and sterile disposable aerosol resistant tips—20uL, 200uL, 1000uL
- Inverted Microscope
- Tubes for dilution
- Hemocytometer with coverslip
- Cell media for infection
- Growth media appropriate for the cell line
- 0.4% Trypan Blue Solution
- Lint-free wipes saturated with 70% isopropyl alcohol
- CO₂ Incubator set at 37°C or 34°C, or other temperature as indicated

Procedure:

1. One day before infection, prepare 96 well dishes by seeding each well with the proper cell line in DMEM plus fetal bovine serum, 4mM Glutamine, and antibiotics.
2. On the day of infection, make dilutions of virus samples in PBS.
3. Make a series of dilutions at 1:10 of the original virus sample. Fill the first tube with 2.0mL PBS and the subsequent tubes with 1.8mL.
4. Vortex the viral samples, then transfer 20uL of the virus to the first tube, vortex, and discard tip.
5. With a new tip, serial dilute subsequent tips transferring 200uL.

Additions of virus dilutions to cells:

1. Label the lid of a 96-well dish by drawing grid lines to delineate quadruplicates, number each grid to correspond to the virus sample, and label the rows of the plate for the dilution, which will be plated.
2. Include four (4) negative wells on each plate which will not be infected.
3. Remove all but 0.1mL of media from each well by vacuum aspiration.
4. Starting from the most dilute sample, add 0.1mL of virus dilution to each of the quadruplicate wells for that dilution.
5. Infect four wells per dilution, working backward.
6. Allow the virus to absorb into the cells at 37°C for 2 hours.
7. After absorption, remove the virus inoculum. Start with the most dilute and work backward.
8. Add 0.5mL infection medium to each well, being careful not to touch the wells with the pipette.
9. Place plates at 37°C and monitor CPE using the inverted microscope over a period of 1 to 4 weeks.
10. Record the number of positive and negative wells.

INNOVATIVE BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results

Study Materials and Equipment:

Equipment Overview: The Alaska Fan incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology (Fig. 3) arrived at the laboratory pre-assembled from the manufacturer and was inspected for damage upon arrival. Due to the closed design, no assessment was conducted on the inner components of the ionizer. Before testing, the test device was powered on and operated for a 10-minute period in a dry run to confirm correct operations. Alpha Lab AIC2 ion polarity meters were used at 6 locations in a grid on both sides of the chamber prior to testing for each fan speed, as shown in Figure 4. It should be noted that due to the nature of ions, there were fluctuations in concentrations around the entire room.

MANUFACTURER: GPS Air

FUNCTIONAL SAMPLE NAME: IDF-2

TECHNOLOGY: GPS NPBI™

○ KEY COMPONENTS

○ ELECTRIC FAN:

- BRAND: Alaska
- MODEL: SA-398
- SERIAL #: 21090447
- SIZE: 23.75" x 23.75" x 7.1"

○ IONIZER:

- BRAND: GPS Air
- MODEL: CI-2



Figure 3. IDF-2 functional sample device tested with a closeup of the installed GPS's CI-2 needlepoint bipolar ionizer.

Testing Layout:

Testing was conducted in a sealed 22' x 11' x 8' chamber (Fig. 4) per Biosafety Level 3 (BSL3) standards. The room had a displacement volume of 1,936 ft³ (54,821.42 L) of air. The chamber remained closed during testing, with no air entering or leaving the room. A nebulizing port connected to a programmable compressor system was located in the center of the 22 ft wall. At each chamber corner, low-volume mixing fans (approx. 30 cfm each) were positioned at 45-degree angles to ensure homogenous mixing of bioaerosol concentrations when nebulized into the chamber. The room was equipped with four sampling ports equally spaced around the chamber located between 48-60 inches off the chamber floor, at least 6ft away from the device, and at least 2ft from the walls. The device was mounted in the center of the chamber as close to the ceiling as possible and was operated at the fan speed setting of 480 ± 10 RPM and 575 ± 10 RPM. The chamber was visually inspected, and pressure tested, and all internal lab systems and equipment were reviewed before testing.

INNOVATIVE
BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results

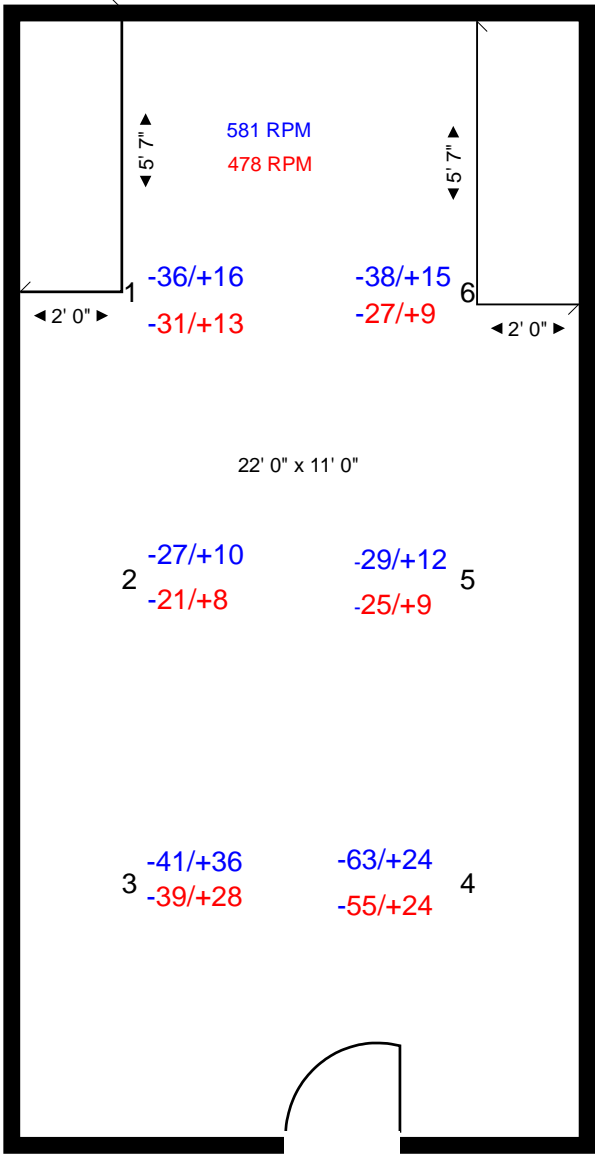


Figure 4. Ion concentration measurements from a dry run for each fan speed—575 ± 10 RPM (blue) and 480 ± 10 RPM (red)—across six locations in the chamber.

INNOVATIVE
BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results

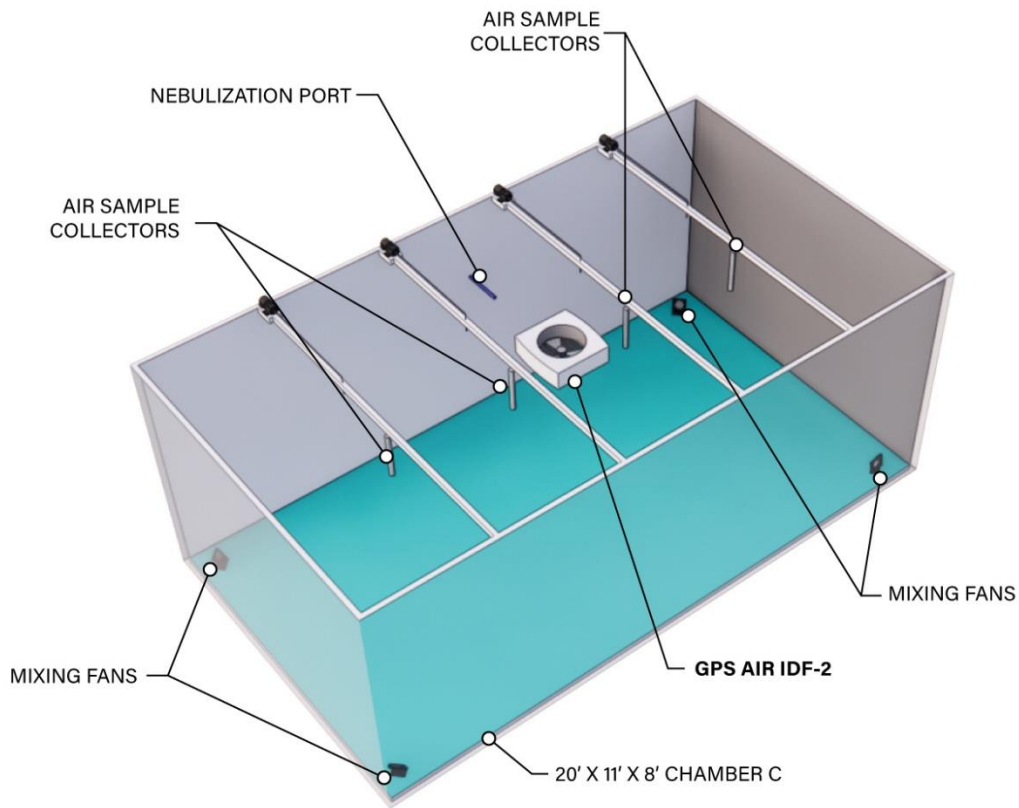


Figure 5. Room layout for control and experimental testing.



Control Protocol:

Control testing was conducted for each device speed without the ionizer turned on in the testing chamber to accurately assess the GPS Air IDF-2 functional sample incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology. The samples were taken in the same manner and at the corresponding time points used for the challenge trial to serve as a comparative baseline to assess viral reduction when the device was operating.

Test Procedures:

Exposure Conditions:

1. The temperature during all test runs was approximately $70 \pm 2^{\circ}\text{F}$, with a relative humidity of 41-43%.
2. Two device fan speeds were tested: 575 ± 10 RPM and 480 ± 10 RPM.
3. Testing time points were as follows, with T equal to minutes: T-0, T-10, and T-20.
4. A single control and two challenges for each fan speed was conducted using the same methodology.

Experimental Procedure:

1. Before the initial control test and following each trial, the testing area was decontaminated and prepped per internal procedures.
2. The device was turned on and ran at the designated speed for 5 minutes before starting each ion test.
3. 10 mL of a 5.82×10^6 CEID50/mL of Influenza A in suspension media was nebulized via a dissemination port into the room.
4. The device was turned off at each predetermined time point for sample collection.
5. Air sampling collection was set to 10-minute continuous draws at the point of sampling occurring after nebulization ceased.
6. Sample cassettes were manually removed from the collection system and taken to an adjacent biosafety cabinet to be pooled.
7. All samples were sealed after collection and provided to lab staff for analysis after study completion.

Post Decontamination:

After each viral challenge test, the UV system inside the testing chamber was activated for 30 minutes. After 30 minutes of UV exposure, the air filtration system underwent a 30-minute air purge. All test equipment was cleaned with a 70% isopropyl alcohol solution at the end of each day. Collection lines were soaked in a bleach bath mixture for 30 minutes and then rinsed repeatedly with DI water. The nebulizer and vacuum collection pumps were decontaminated with hydrogen peroxide mixtures.



Preparation of The Pathogen

Viral Stock: Influenza A Virus, A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3) (NR-31132)

TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Identification by Infectivity Using Embryonated Chicken Eggs		
Hemagglutination activity using allantoic fluid from infected eggs and 0.5% chicken red blood cells	Positive	Positive
Sequencing of Hemagglutinin, Matrix, and Neuraminidase Coding Regions		
Hemagglutinin (619 nucleotides)	Consistent with A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3)	100% identity with A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3) GenBank: CY097374
Matrix (937 nucleotides)	Consistent with A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3)	100% identity with A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3) GenBank: CY097375
Titer by CEID50 in Embryonated Chicken Eggs	Report Results	8.9 X 10 ⁸ CEID50 per mL
Sterility (21-Day Incubation)		
Harpo's HTYE Broth, aerobic	No Growth	No Growth
Trypticase Soy Broth, aerobic	No Growth	No Growth
Sabourad Broth, aerobic	No Growth	No Growth
Sheep Blood Agar, aerobic	No Growth	No Growth
Sheep Blood Agar, anaerobic	No Growth	No Growth
Thioglycollate Broth, anaerobic	No Growth	No Growth
DMEM with 10% FBS	No Growth	No Growth
Mycoplasma Contamination		
Agar and Broth Culture	None Detected	None Detected
DNA Detection by PCR of extracted test article nucleic acid	None Detected	None Detected

*The viral titer listed in the Certificate of Analysis represents the titer provided by BEI Resources. These viruses are grown on 10- to 11-day-old SPF Embryonated Chicken Eggs either in-house or at a partner lab to the concentrations listed within the experiment design.



Study Results:

Test 1: 575 ± 10 RPM Fan Speed Setting

The results were plotted below (Fig. 6) to display collectible active Influenza A with and without the GPS AIR IDF-2 functional sample incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology operating in the chamber at a fan speed of 575 ± 10 RPM. The controls showed a natural loss of aerosolized Influenza A for 20 minutes under controlled conditions. Across two runs, a starting concentration of 5.82×10^6 CEID50/mL Influenza A decreased to 2.51×10^6 and 2.27×10^6 , averaging 2.39×10^6 CEID50/mL after 10 minutes of device operation. The data showed that an increased device operation time resulted in a higher reduction, as presented by the average 9.97×10^4 CEID50/mL of active Influenza A recovered after 20 minutes.

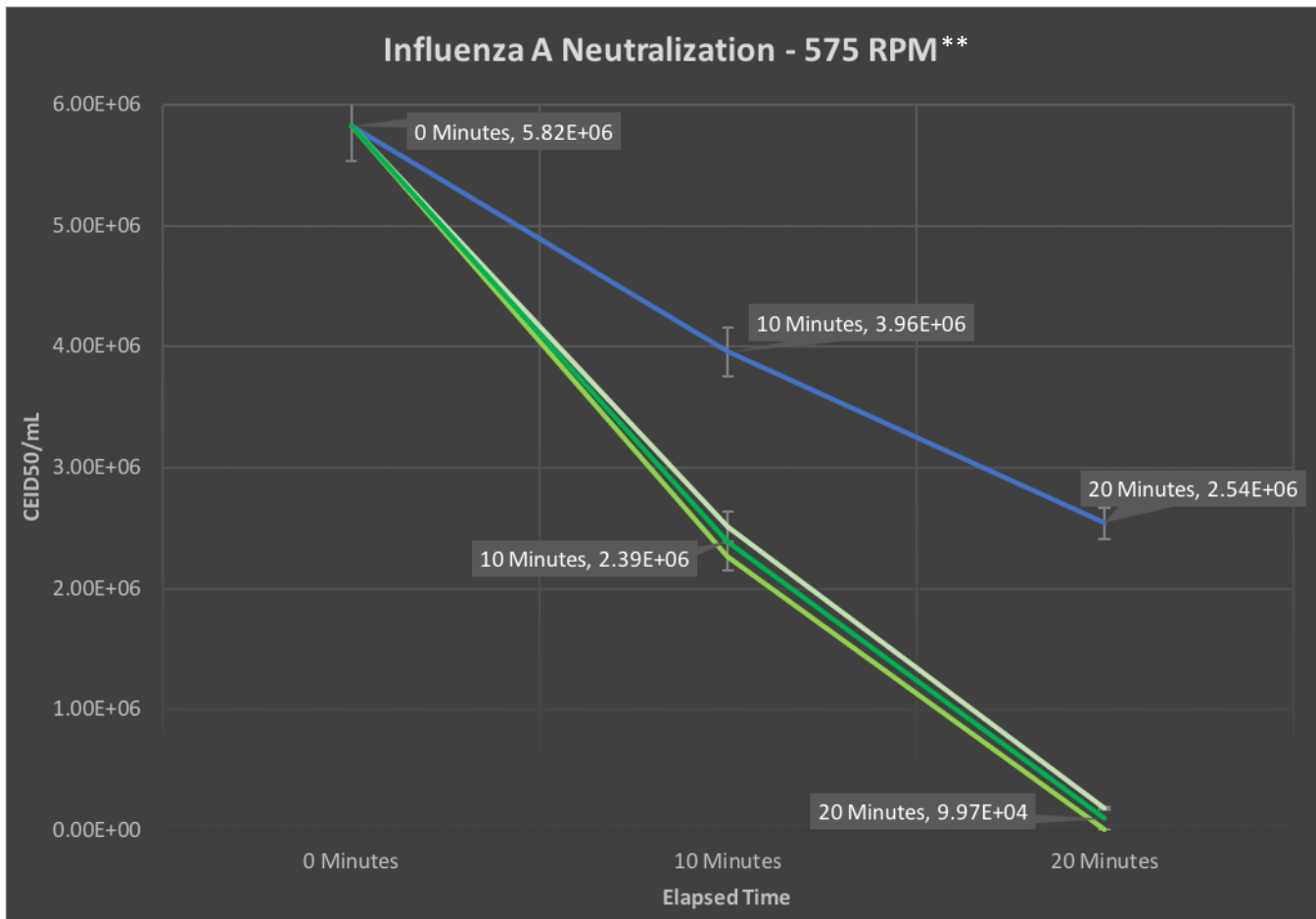


Figure 6: Influenza A neutralization using the IDF-2 functional sample over a 20-minute period under controlled conditions at a fan speed of 575 ± 10 RPM.

**As it pertains to data represented herein; the percentage error equates to an average of ±5% of the final concentration.



Table 2: Results Data and Calculated Percentage Reductions for Influenza A at a fan speed of 575 ± 10 RPM

Time (min)	0	10	20
Control (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	3.96E+06	2.54E+06
% Gross Reduction - Control		32.03%	56.35%
Gross Log Reduction - Control		0.17	0.36
Experiment 1 (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	2.51E+06	1.87E+05
Experiment 2 (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	2.27E+06	1.29E+04
Experiment Average (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	2.39E+06	9.97E+04
% Gross Reduction - Experiment		58.96%	98.29%
Gross Log Reduction - Experiment		0.39	1.77
% Net Reduction		39.63%	96.08%

Test 2: 480 \pm 10 RPM Fan Speed Setting

The results were plotted below (Fig. 7) to display collectible active Influenza A with and without the GPS AIR IDF-2 functional sample incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology operating in the chamber at a fan speed of 480 ± 10 RPM. The controls showed a natural loss of aerosolized Influenza A for 20 minutes under controlled conditions. Across two runs, a starting concentration of 5.82×10^6 CEID50/mL Influenza A decreased to 3.09×10^6 and 2.87×10^6 , averaging 2.98×10^6 CEID50/mL after 10 minutes of device operation. The data showed that an increased device operation time resulted in a higher reduction, as presented by the average active Influenza A recovered after 20 minutes, 6.32×10^5 CEID50/mL.

INNOVATIVE BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results

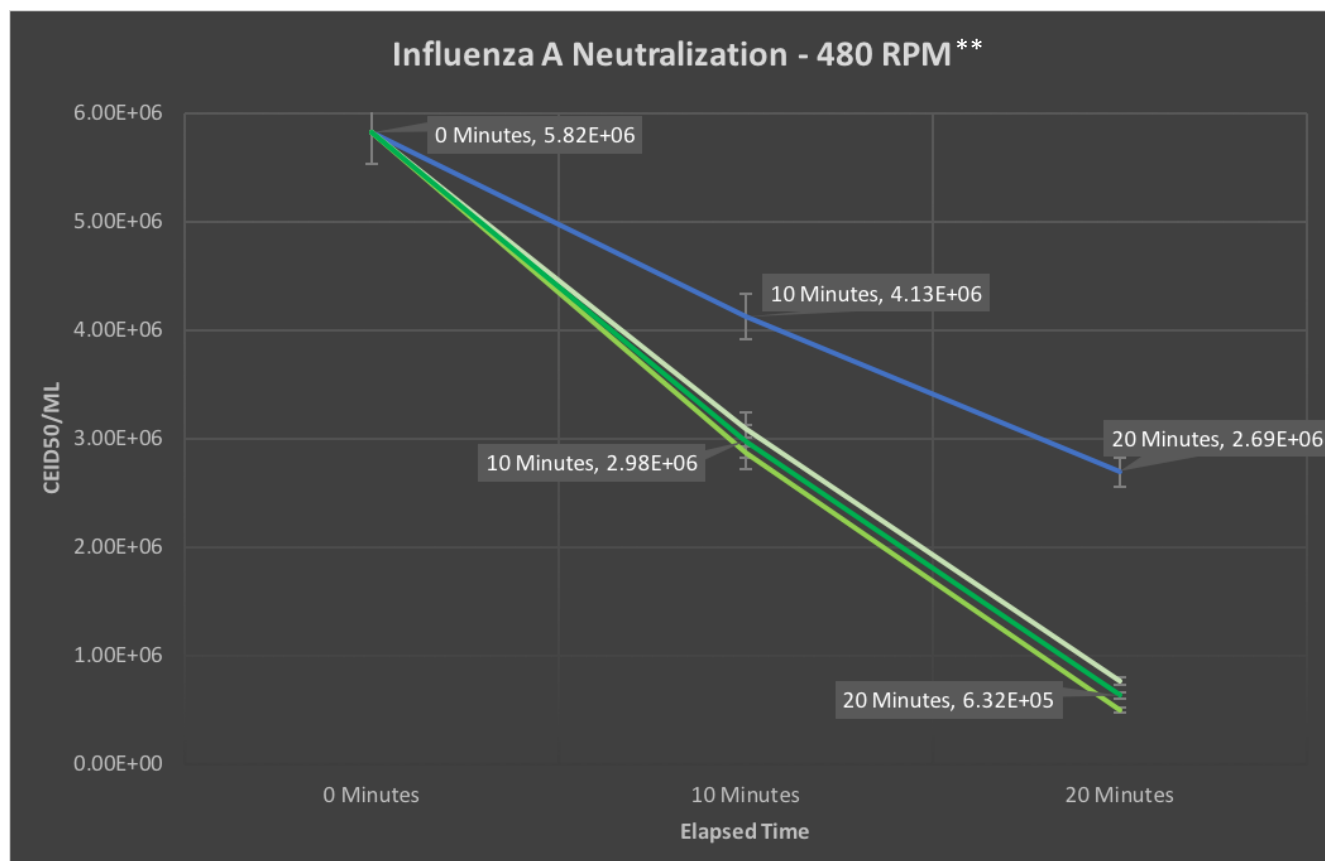


Figure 7: Influenza A neutralization using the IDF-2 functional sample over 20 minutes under controlled conditions at a fan speed of 480 ± 10 RPM.

**As it pertains to data represented herein; the percentage error equates to an average $\pm 5\%$ of the final concentration.

Table 3: Results Data and Calculated Percentage Reductions for Influenza A at a fan speed of 480 ± 10 RPM

Time (min)	0	10	20
Control (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	4.13E+06	2.69E+06
% Gross Reduction - Control		29.17%	53.75%
Gross Log Reduction - Control		0.15	0.33
Experiment 1 (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	3.09E+06	7.65E+05
Experiment 2 (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	2.87E+06	4.99E+05
Experiment Average (CEID50/mL)	5.82E+06	2.98E+06	6.32E+05
% Gross Reduction - Experiment		48.91%	89.16%
Gross Log Reduction - Experiment		0.29	0.96
% Net Reduction		27.87%	76.55%



Conclusion:

The GPS AIR IDF-2 functional sample incorporating GPS's NPBI™ technology demonstrated the ability to reduce active, aerosolized Influenza A across all time points at both fan settings compared to the natural loss rate observed in the temperature-controlled room. The device achieved a 39.63% net reduction of active Influenza A at 575 ± 10 RPM and a 27.87% net reduction at 480 ± 10 RPM after 10 minutes. With more prolonged exposure and a higher fan speed, the device has more time to interact with the air reducing the amount of pathogen recovered. This was observed with the 96.08% net reduction achieved at 575 ± 10 RPM and 76.55% net reduction at 480 ± 10 RPM after 20 minutes.

When aerosolizing pathogens and collecting said pathogens, some variables cannot be fully accounted for, namely, placement of pathogen, collection volume, collection points, drop rate, surface saturation, viral destruction upon collection, viral destruction on aerosolization, and possibly others. Every effort was made to address these constraints with the design and execution of the trials. And these efforts are reflected in the meaningful recovery of the virus in the control test.

Considering the variables, the GPS AIR IDF-2 functional sample displayed measurable reduction at fan speeds of 575 ± 10 RPM and 480 ± 10 RPM. The results observed were consistent with the manufacturer's claim that the device can decrease concentrations of active pathogens in the air. Overall, the unit resulted in a 1.41 net log reduction after 20 minutes, with the fan running at 575 ± 10 RPM and a 0.63 net log reduction when running at 480 ± 10 RPM.

INNOVATIVE BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results

DocuSigned by:

Dana Yee M.D.

52F0012FC10C43F...

3/14/2023

Dana Yee M.D**Date****Clinical Pathologist and Medical Director, Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc.**

DocuSigned by:

Sam Kabbani

8B4B282DF4B34A3...

3/14/2023

Sam Kabbani, MS, BS, MT(ASCP), CLS**Date****Chief Scientific Officer, Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc.**

DocuSigned by:

Albert Brockman

42751B72F2FF40A...

3/13/2023

Albert Brockman**Date****Chief Biosafety Officer, Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc.**

DocuSigned by:

Kevin Noble

5DF2797BAA78421...

3/13/2023

Kevin Noble**Date****Laboratory Director, Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc.****Disclaimer**

The Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc. ("Innovative Bioanalysis") laboratory is not certified or licensed by the United States Environmental Protection Agency and makes no equipment emissions claims pertaining to ozone or byproduct of any device. Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc. makes no claims to the overall efficacy of any device. The experiment results are solely applicable to the device used in the trial. The results are only representative of the experiment design described in this report. Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc. makes no claims as to the reproducibility of the experiment results given the possible variation of experiment results even with an identical test environment, viral strain, collection method, inoculation, nebulization, viral media, cell type, and culture procedure. Innovative Bioanalysis, Inc. makes no claims to third parties and takes no responsibility for any consequences arising out of the use of, or reliance on, the experiment results by third parties.



APPENDIX A: Glossary of Terms

CAP: The College of American Pathologists (CAP), the leading organization of board-certified pathologists, serves patients, pathologists, and the public by fostering and advocating excellence in the practice of pathology and laboratory medicine worldwide. A laboratory can pursue a higher level of quality by becoming accredited by The College of American Pathologists (CAP).

CEID50: 50% chicken embryo infectious dose calculated with same methods as TCID50 but uses embryonated chicken eggs instead of tissue cell cultures.

CLIA: The Clinical Laboratory Improvement Amendments of 1988 (CLIA) are federal regulations for the United States-based clinical laboratories to provide industry standards for testing human samples for diagnostic purposes.

COA: A Certificate of Analysis refers to an authenticated document that is issued by BEI or ATCC Quality Assurance Department that ascertains that a product has met its predetermined pathogen specifications and preparations.

DMEM: Dulbecco's Modified Eagle Medium (DMEM) is a widely used basal medium for supporting the growth of many different mammalian cells.

FBS: Fetal bovine serum (FBS) is derived from the blood drawn from a bovine fetus via a closed collection system at the slaughterhouse. Fetal bovine serum is the most widely used serum supplement for the in vitro cell culture of eukaryotic cells. This is because it has an extremely low level of antibodies and contains more growth factors, allowing for versatility in many different cell culture applications.

The globular protein, bovine serum albumin (BSA), is a major component of fetal bovine serum. The rich variety of proteins in fetal bovine serum maintains cultured cells in a medium where they can survive, grow, and divide.

Because it is a biological product, FBS is not a fully defined media component and varies in composition between batches. As a result, serum-free and chemically defined media (CDM) have been developed to minimize the possibility of transferring adventitious agents. However, the effectiveness of serum-free media is limited, as many cell lines still require serum to grow, and many serum-free media formulations can only support the growth of narrowly defined types of cells.



LLOQ: The ULOQ and LLOQ are the highest and lowest standard curve points that can still be used for quantification; they are the values below and above which, respectively, quantitative results may be obtained with a specified degree of confidence, or the highest/lowest concentration of an analyte that can be accurately measured. Together, the ULOQ and LLOQ define the range of quantification for the assay. Limits of quantitation are matrix, method, and analyte-specific, and can be calculated as follows:

Equation 1.

(Calculation used in Q-View): ULOQ & LLOQ = Highest or Lowest Standard, respectively, with a %backfit of 120%-80%, a %CV of < 30%, and a positive mean pixel intensity difference between it and the negative control.

Equation 2.

(Commonly used in science to estimate the LLOQ): $LLOQ = (\text{Mean negative control pixel intensity}) + 10 * (\text{StDev of negative control pixel intensities})$.

PBS: Phosphate buffered saline (PBS) is a pH-adjusted blend of ultrapure-grade phosphate buffers and saline solutions which, when diluted to a 1X working concentration, contains 137 mM NaCl, 2.7 mM KCl, 8 mM Na_2HPO_4 , and 2 mM KH_2PO_4 .

TCID₅₀/mL: The number of infectious virus particles is frequently quantified using the Median Tissue Culture Infectious Dose (TCID₅₀) assay. The assay works by adding a serial dilution of the virus sample to cells in a 96-well plate format. The cell type is specifically selected to show a cytopathic effect (CPE), i.e., morphological changes upon infection with the virus or cell death. After an incubation period, the cells are inspected for CPE or cell death, and each well is classified as infected or not infected. Colorimetric or fluorometric readouts are also possible, which can increase assay sensitivity. The dilution, at which 50% of the wells show a CPE, is used to calculate the TCID₅₀ of the virus sample. Virus titer is expressed as TCID₅₀/mL. See Appendix E for Spearman-Kärber method calculation details.

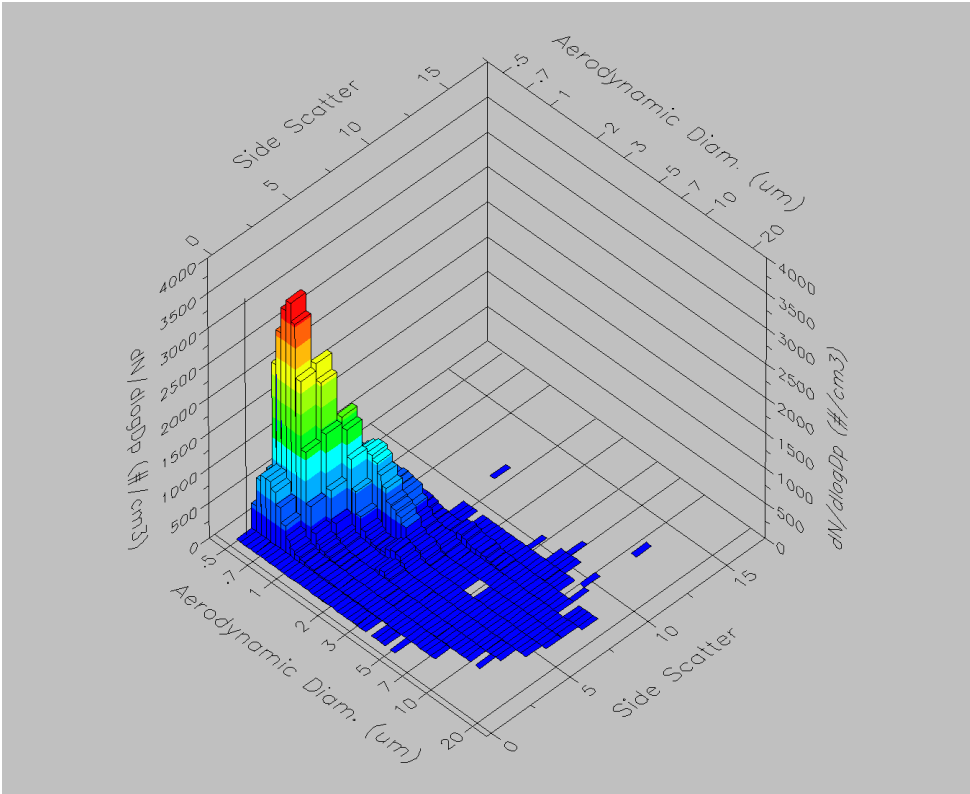
Embryonated Chicken Egg: Fertilized chicken eggs are used for the cultivation of some viruses, such as Influenza. Before the development of cell lines, the preferred method of viral cultivation and propagation was using fertilized chicken eggs. The first use dates back to 1931 by Good Pasteur and Burnet. The use of chicken embryos can also be utilized to quantify infectious virus particles using the CEID₅₀ assay.

APPENDIX B: Particle Size Distribution

The TSi Aerodynamic Particle Sizer® (APS™) 3321 spectrometer is a device designed to collect high-resolution, real-time aerodynamic measurements of particles from 0.5 to 20 microns. The APS was used during pre-study testing and validation for particle dispersion with the Blaustein Atomizing Module (BLAM) bioaerosol-generating nebulizer. The setup, suspension solution, and all test equipment were the same as those used in this viral study.



	Number Particle Size	Surface Particle Size	Mass Particle Size
Median (µm)	0.783	1.2	2.66
Mean (µm)	0.911	2	4.56
Geo. Mean (µm)	0.845	1.43	2.98
Mode (µm)	0.723	0.777	12
Geo. St. Dev.	1.42	2.06	2.57
Total Conc.	2.45e+03(#/cm³)	7.22e+03(µm²/cm³)	2.38(mg/m³)





APPENDIX C: Calculation equations

Spearman-Kärber TCID₅₀ and CEID₅₀ calculation method:

$$\log_{10} 50\% \text{ endpoint dilution} = - (x_0 - d/2 + d \sum r_i/n_i)$$

x_0 = \log_{10} of the reciprocal of the highest dilution (lowest concentration) at which all are positive

d = \log_{10} of the dilution factor

n_i = number used in each dilution

r_i = number of positives (out of n_i)

Summation is started at dilution x_0 .

Percent Reduction calculation:

$$\text{Percent Reduction} = (A-B) * 100 / A$$

A = initial number of viable microorganisms

B = final number of viable microorganisms

Log Reduction calculation:

$$\text{Log Reduction} = \log_{10} (A/B)$$

A = initial number of viable microorganisms

B = final number of viable microorganisms



APPENDIX D: Equipment Calibration Certificates

Sensidyne Certificate of Performance
Gillian 10i Sampling Pumps

This document certifies that the product below performs in accordance with factory specifications. Sensidyne's volumetric test equipment is traceable to NIST.
Sensidyne, LP is an ISO 9001:2015 registered company.

Gillian 10i Assembly, P/N 610-1501-01-R
Serial Number 20220202003 Month of Manufacture: February 2022

Set Flow L/min	Set BP Inches H2O	Acceptable Minimum L/min	Acceptable Maximum L/min	Pass = √ Fail = X
4	2	3.800	4.200	_____√_____
	25	3.800	4.200	_____√_____
	50	3.800	4.200	_____√_____
8	2	7.600	8.400	_____√_____
	10	7.600	8.400	_____√_____
	22	7.600	8.400	_____√_____
10	2	9.500	10.500	_____√_____
	6	9.500	10.500	_____√_____
	12	9.500	10.500	_____√_____

Technician Stamp 10

091-1015-01rC

INNOVATIVE BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results



Sensidyne Certificate of Performance Gillian 10i Sampling Pumps

This document certifies that the product below performs in accordance with factory specifications. Sensidyne's volumetric test equipment is traceable to NIST. Sensidyne, LP is an ISO 9001:2015 registered company.

Gillian 10i Assembly, P/N 610-1501-01-R
Serial Number 20220202002

Month of Manufacture: February 2022

Set Flow L/min	Set BP Inches H ₂ O	Acceptable Minimum L/min	Acceptable Maximum L/min	Pass = ✓ Fail = X
4	2	3.800	4.200	_____ ✓
	25	3.800	4.200	_____ ✓
	50	3.800	4.200	_____ ✓
8	2	7.600	8.400	_____ ✓
	10	7.600	8.400	_____ ✓
	22	7.600	8.400	_____ ✓
10	2	9.500	10.500	_____ ✓
	6	9.500	10.500	_____ ✓
	12	9.500	10.500	_____ ✓

Technician Stamp 10

091-1015-01rC

INNOVATIVE BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results



Sensidyne Certificate of Performance Gillian 10i Sampling Pumps

This document certifies that the product below performs in accordance with factory specifications. Sensidyne's volumetric test equipment is traceable to NIST. Sensidyne, LP is an ISO 9001:2015 registered company.

Gillian 10i Assembly, P/N 610-1501-01-R

Serial Number 20220202001

Month of Manufacture: February 2022

Set Flow L/min	Set BP Inches H ₂ O	Acceptable Minimum L/min	Acceptable Maximum L/min	Pass = √ Fail = X
4	2	3.800	4.200	_____√_____
	25	3.800	4.200	_____√_____
	50	3.800	4.200	_____√_____
				_____√_____
8	2	7.600	8.400	_____√_____
	10	7.600	8.400	_____√_____
	22	7.600	8.400	_____√_____
				_____√_____
10	2	9.500	10.500	_____√_____
	6	9.500	10.500	_____√_____
	12	9.500	10.500	_____√_____
				_____√_____

Technician Stamp 10

091-1015-01rC

INNOVATIVE BIOANALYSIS

creating solutions | getting results

APPENDIX E: BEI Resources - Certificate of Authenticity

bei RESOURCES

SUPPORTING INFECTIOUS DISEASE RESEARCH

Certificate of Analysis for NR-31132

Influenza A Virus, A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3)

Catalog No. NR-31132

Product Description: Pooled allantoic fluid from specific pathogen free (SPF) embryonated chicken eggs¹ infected with influenza A virus, A/mallard/Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3)

Lot²: 61788263

Manufacturing Date: 07JUN2013

TEST	SPECIFICATIONS	RESULTS
Identification by Infectivity Using Embryonated Chicken Eggs¹ Hemagglutination activity using allantoic fluid from infected eggs and 0.5% chicken red blood cells	Positive	Positive
Sequencing of Hemagglutinin and Matrix Coding Regions Hemagglutinin (619 nucleotides) Matrix (937 nucleotides)	Consistent with A/mallard/ Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3) Consistent with A/mallard/ Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3)	100% identity with A/mallard/ Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3) (GenBank: CY097374) 100% identity with A/mallard/ Wisconsin/2785/2009 (H2N3) (GenBank: CY097375)
Titer by CEID₅₀ Assay^{3,4} in Embryonated Chicken Eggs¹	Report results	8.9 × 10 ⁸ CEID ₅₀ per mL
Sterility (21-day incubation) Harpo's HTYE broth ⁵ , 37°C and 26°C, aerobic Trypticase soy broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic Sabouraud broth, 37°C and 26°C, aerobic Blood agar, 37°C, aerobic Blood agar, 37°C, anaerobic Thioglycollate broth, 37°C, anaerobic DMEM with 10% FBS, 37°C and 5% CO ₂	No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth	No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth No growth
Mycoplasma Contamination Agar and broth culture (14-day incubation at 37°C) DNA detection by PCR of extracted Test Article nucleic acid	None detected None detected	None detected None detected

¹10- to 11-day-old SPF Embryonated Chicken Eggs acquired from B&E Eggs, York Springs, Pennsylvania

²Grown in the allantoic cavity of embryonated chicken eggs¹ for 2 days at 35°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.

⁴2 days at 35°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.

Date: 27 AUG 2013

Signature: 

Title: Technical Manager, BEI Authentication or designee

ATCC®, on behalf of BEI Resources, hereby represents and warrants that the material provided under this certificate has been subjected to the tests and procedures specified and that the results described, along with any other data provided in this certificate, are true and accurate to the best of ATCC®'s knowledge.

ATCC® is a trademark of the American Type Culture Collection.

You are authorized to use this product for research use only. It is not intended for human use.



BEI Resources
www.beiresources.org

E-mail: contact@beiresources.org
Tel: 800-359-7370
Fax: 703-365-2898

© 2013 American Type Culture Collection (ATCC). All rights reserved.
Page 1 of 1

NR-31132_61788263_27AUG2013