# Medicines & Healthcare products Regulatory Agency

Influenza Reagent Influenza Virus Infectious B/Washington/02/2019 (B-Victoria Lineage) NIBSC code: 21/336 Instructions for use (Version 2.0, Dated 28/01/2022)

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## 1. INTENDED USE

Reagent 21/336 is prepared from B/Washington/02/2019 (B-Victoria Lineage) which was processed in  $250\mu$ I volumes as liquid stock. The known passage history of B/Washington/02/2019 is attached.

## 2. CAUTION

## The material is not of human or bovine origin. This preparation is not for administration to humans or animals

As with all materials of biological origin, this preparation should be regarded as potentially hazardous to health. It should be used and discarded according to your own laboratory's safety procedures. Such safety procedures should include the wearing of protective gloves and avoiding the generation of aerosols. Care should be exercised in opening ampoules or vials, to avoid cuts. **3. UNITAGE** 

No unitage is assigned to this material.

## 4. CONTENTS

Country of origin of biological material: United Kingdom. Each vial contains  $250\mu I$  (nominal) of infectious influenza virus as allantoic fluid from SPF embryonated hen's eggs.

#### 5. STORAGE

Store in the dark at -70°C or below. Material type: Liquid – will be shipped according to the storage and shipping conditions of the product

## 6. DIRECTIONS FOR OPENING

Vials have a screw cap; an internal stopper may also be present. The cap should be removed by turning anti-clockwise. Care should be taken to prevent loss of the contents. Please note: If a stopper is present on removal of the cap, the stopper should remain in the vial or be removed with the cap.

## 7. USE OF MATERIAL

Ready to use.

#### 8. STABILITY

Reference materials are held at NIBSC within assured, temperature-controlled storage facilities. Reference Materials should be stored on receipt as indicated on the label.

NIBSC follows the policy of WHO with respect to its reference materials.

## 9. REFERENCES

NA

## 10. ACKNOWLEDGEMENTS

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## 11. FURTHER INFORMATION

Further information can be obtained as follows; This material: enquiries@nibsc.org WHO Biological Standards: http://www.who.int/biologicals/en/ JCTLM Higher order reference materials: http://www.bipm.org/en/committees/jc/jctIm/ Derivation of International Units: http://www.nibsc.org/standardisation/international\_standards.aspx Ordering standards from NIBSC: http://www.nibsc.org/products/ordering.aspx NIBSC Terms & Conditions: http://www.nibsc.org/terms\_and\_conditions.aspx

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### 14. MATERIAL SAFETY SHEET

Classification in accordance with Directive 2000/54/EC, Regulation (EC) No 1272/2008: Not applicable or not classified

Physical and Chemical properties							
Physical appearance:			Corrosive:	No			
Clear liquid							
Stable: Yes		Oxidising:	No				
Hygroscopi N	lo		Irritant:	No			
с:							
Flammable: No		Handling: See caution, Section 2					
Other Live influenza virus							
(specify):							
Toxicological properties							
Effects of inhalation: Like		Like	lihood of influenza virus infection.				
Effects of ingestion:		Not established, avoid ingestion					
Effects of	skin	Not	established,	avoid contact with			
absorption:		skin					
Suggested First Aid							
Inhalation: Seek medic			al advice				
Ingestion: Seek medica			al advice				
Contact with	Wash with copious amounts of water. Seek						
eyes:	medical advice						
Contact with	Wash thoroughly with water.						
skin:							
Action on Spillage and Method of Disposal							

Spillage of ampoule contents should be taken up with absorbent material wetted with an appropriate disinfectant. Rinse area with an appropriate disinfectant followed by water. Absorbent materials used to treat spillage should be treated as biological waste.





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Country of origin for customs purposes*: United Kingdom				
* Defined as the country where the goods have been				
produced and/or sufficiently processed to be classed as				
originating from the country of supply, for example a change				
of state such as freeze-drying.				
Net weight: 0.25g per vial.				
Toxicity Statement: Non-toxic				
Veterinary certificate or other statement if applicable.				
Attached: No				

## Passage history of B/Washington/02/2019

Cumulative number of passages	Passage numbers at each stage	Lot	Laboratory
E1-E2	E2	Unknown	Unknown
E3	E3	3026019537	CDC, Atlanta
E4-E5	E3/E2	46300	NIBSC, UK

Sterility: No visible contamination was detected in a variety of media (tryptose soya broth, thioglycolate broth, Sabouraud's broth and blood agar plates) after 14 days incubation.

Sanger sequencing analysis shows this product contains a nonsynonymous mutation in the HA gene that results in a Lysine to Glutamic Acid change at amino acid 136 (Mature HA numbering).

The HA and NA sequence of this virus is available at GISAID with the accession number EPI\_ISL\_7473160.

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