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#### Influenza Reagent Influenza virus infectious NIB-34 NIBSC code: 94/766 Instructions for use (Version 1.0, Dated 27/10/2008)

#### 1. INTENDED USE

Reagent 94/766 is prepared from NIB-34 (A/Johannesburg/33/94 (H3N2) x A/PR/8/34 (H1N1)) which was processed for freeze drying in 250  $\mu$ l volumes as described by Campbel, PJ, Journal of Biological Standardisation, 1974, 2, 249-267. The known passage history of NIB-34 is attached

#### 2. CAUTION

# This preparation is not for administration to humans or animals in the human food chain.

The material is not of human or bovine origin. 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 ampoule contains 250µl (nominal) of freeze dried infectious influenza virus as allantoic fluid from embryonated hens eggs.

#### 5. STORAGE

Store in the dark at -20°C or below

Please note: because of the inherent stability of lyophilized material, NIBSC may ship these materials at ambient temperature.

#### 6. DIRECTIONS FOR OPENING

DIN ampoules have an 'easy-open' coloured stress point, where the narrow ampoule stem joins the wider ampoule body. Various types of ampoule breaker are available commercially. To open the ampoule, tap the ampoule gently to collect material at the bottom (labelled) end and follow manufactures instructions provided with the ampoule breaker.

#### 7. USE OF MATERIAL

Reconstitute the contents of one ampoule of reagent with 250µl of sterile distilled water. Leave for a minimum of 5 minutes before use to allow for complete solution of freeze dried material. A range of dilutions (e.g. 10-3 to 10-5) should be made in a suitable medium for initial cutivation.

#### 8. STABILITY

Reference materials are held at NIBSC within assured, temperaturecontrolled 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

NA

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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/jctlm/ 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 appeara White powder	ance:	Corrosive:	No		
Stable:	Yes	Oxidising:	No		
Hygroscopic:	No	Irritant:	No		
Flammable:	No	Handling:See	Handling:See caution, Section 2		
Other (specify):	Live influenz	Live influenza virus			

#### **Toxicological properties**

Effects of inhalation:	Likelihood of influenza virus infection
Effects of ingestion:	Not established, avoid ingestion
Effects of skin absorption:	Not established, avoid contact with skin

### Suggested First Aid

Inhalation:	Seek medical advice	
Ingestion:	Seek medical advice	
Contact with eyes:	Wash with copious amounts of water. Seek medical advice	
Contact with skin:	Wash thoroughly with water.	

#### Action on Spillage and Method of Disposal

Spillage of contents should be taken up with absorbent material wetted with a virucidal agent. Rinse area with an appropriate virucidal agent followed by water. Absorbent materials used to treat spillage should be treated as biologically hazardous waste.

#### 15. LIABILITY AND LOSS

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# 16. INFORMATION FOR CUSTOMS USE ONLY

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: NA

Toxicity Statement: Non-toxic

Veterinary certificate or other statement if applicable.

Attached: No

# **Derivation of NIB-34**

Passage	Lot	Laboratory
E1-E3		NIRSC Hottordobiro LIK
E1-E3		NIBSC, Hertfordshire, UK
E4	17250	NIBSC, Hertfordshire, UK

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