



Product Sheet

# Murine hepatitis virus (ATCC® VR-261™)

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Biosafety Level  
**2**

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## Description

**Strain:** MHV 1 (Parkes)  
**Classification:** Nidovirales, Coronaviridae, Coronavirus, Group 2  
**Common Name:** Murine hepatitis virus  
**Original Source:**  
Liver and kidney tissues from ill mice, 1950, London  
**Depositor:** MJ Collins, AW Gledhill

## Batch-Specific Information

Refer to the Certificate of Analysis for batch-specific test results.

## Propagation

**Propagation Host:**  
neonatal mice  
suckling mouse; NCTC clone 1469 (ATCC CCL-9.1)  
**Effect on Host:**  
Cytopathic effects in tissue culture  
death in newborn mice

## Growth Conditions

**Incubation:** 4-7 days

## Comments

Related to MHV-3, Nelson's PR 1 (MHV-2), JHM, Morris' agents EHF120 and M747 and MHV-A59 of Manaker, et al. Produces little evidence of infection in otherwise healthy weanling mice.

## References

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## Key Abbreviations

CPE, cytopathic effect  
M, mouse  
nb, newborn  
sM, suckling mouse  
TC, tissue culture

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