

Virus Name: Avalon		Abbreviation: AVAV
Status Possible Arbovirus	Select Agent No	SALS Level 2
SALS Basis Results of SALS surveys and information from the Catalogue.		
Other Information		
Antigenic Group Sakhalin		

SECTION I - Full Virus Name and Prototype Number

Prototype Strain Number / Designation CanAr 173	Accession Number	Original Date Submitted 7/17/1984
Family Bunyaviridae	Genus Nairovirus	
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Information Footnote Revised		

Section II - Original Source

Isolated By (name) A.J. Main (1)	Isolated at Institute YARU	
Host Genus Ixodes uriae (=Ixodes putus)	Species	Host Age/Stage Adult
Sex Female		
<u>Isolated From</u>	<u>Isolation Details</u>	
Signs and Symptoms of Illness	Arthropod Engorged	
Time Held Alive before Inoculation 11days		
Collection Method By hand	Collection Date 7/31/1972	
Place Collected (Minimum of City, State, Country) Great Island, Newfoundland, Canada		
Latitude 47° 11' N	Longitude 52° 46' W	
Macrohabitat Rocky island	Microhabitat Herring gull (<i>Larus argentatus</i>) chick	Method of Storage until Inoculated Held alive for 11 days; frozen at -70dC for 22 days
Footnotes		

Section III - Method of Isolation

Inoculation Date
9/2/1972

Animal (Details will be in Section 6)
nb mice

Route Inoculated Intracerebral	Reisolation Yes
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Other Reasons

Homologous Antibody Formation by Source Animal

Test(s) Used

Footnotes

Section IV - Virus Properties

Physicochemical
RNA, Single Strand

Pieces (number of genome segments) 3	Infectivity	Sedimentation Coefficients(s) (S)
Percentage wt, of Virion Protein	Lipid	Carbohydrate
Virion Polypeptides: Number	Details	
Non-virion Polypeptides: Number	Details	
Virion Density	Sedimentation Coefficients(s) (S)	
Nucleocapsid Density	Sedimentation Coefficients(s) (S)	

Stability of Infectivity (effects)

pH (infective range)
pH 3.0 titer 2.7 dex , pH 7.2 titer 3.0 dex

Lipid Solvent (ether - % used to test) 1:2	After Treatment Titer <0.5 dex	Control Titer 2.7 dex
Lipid Solvent (chloroform) 1:2	After Treatment Titer <0.5 dex	Control Titer 2.7 dex
Lipid Solvent (deoxycholate) 1:1000, 1:500, 1:100	After Treatment Titer <0.5, <0.5, <1.5 dex	Control Titer 2.9 dex
Other (formalin, radiation)		

Virion Morphology

Shape	Dimensions <220nm	
Mean nm	Range nm	
Measurement Method Filtration (3)	Surface Projections/Envelope	Nucleocapsid Dimensions, Symmetry

Morphogenesis

Site of Constituent Formation in Cell Site of Virion Assembly Site of Virion Accumulation

Inclusion Bodies Other

Hemagglutination

Hemagglutination Antigen Source Erythrocytes (species used)
No **SMB ext. by sucrose-acetone** **Goose**

pH Range pH Optimum
5.8-7.4

Temperature Range Temperature Optimum
4dC, 22dC, 37dC

Remarks

Serologic Methods Recommended
CF, NT, IFA

Footnotes

Section V - Antigenic Relationship and Lack of Relationship to Other Viruses

Virus (Strain)	Avalon (CanAr 173)					
	Antigen/Virus			Ascitic Fluid		
	CF Ht/Ho	Ratio	NT Ht/Ho	CF Ht/Ho	Ratio	NT Ht/Ho
Paramushir (LEIV 2268c) [4]	256/512	1/2	2.0/3.0	64/64	1/1	3.0/2.0
Avalon (CanAr 15)	256/128	2/1	2.2/3.3	64/128	1/2	3.3/>2.5
Avalon (CanAr 46B)	512/256	2/1	2.3/>2.9	64/128	1/2	3.0/>2.5
Avalon (CanAn 476)	512/>512	<1/1	>2.5/>2.5	128/128	1/1	>2.5/>2.5
Sakhalin (LEIV 71c)	<4/16	<1/4	0.5/0.4	<4/128	<1/32	0.2/>2.5
Tillamook (RML 86)	<4/128	<1/32	2.2/2.2	<4/128	<1/32	0.8/>2.5
Taggert (MI-14850)	<4/512	<1/128	2.4/>4.3	<4/128	<1/32	0.6/>2.5
Clo Mor (ScotAr 7)	<4/16	<1/4	1.8/0.4	<4/128	<1/32	0.2/>2.5

NT: 1 ML virus in 4 ml

Antigens

Ascitic Fluids	Avalon CanAr 173	Avalon CanAr 15	Avalon CanAr 46B	Avalon CanAn 476	Tillammok RML 86	Clo Mor ScotAr7
Avalon (CanAr173)	128/128 *	64/128	64/128	128/128	0	0
Avalon (CanAr15)	256/>512	128/>512	128/512	128/512	4/32	4/4
Avalon (CanAr46B)	512/>512	512/256	256/256	512/256	0	0
Avalon (CanAn476)	512/>512	512/>512	512/>512	512/>512	8/128	0
Tillamook (RML 86)	0	0	0	4/4	128/256	32/32
Clo Mor (ScotAr7)	0	0	0	0	8/128	16/16
Group Sakhalin **	16/128	16/128	16/64	16/64	128/256	128/16

* Serum titer/antigen titer

** Prepared from mice immunized against Sakhalin 194541 (LEIV 71c), Tillamook 37297 (RML 86), Taggert (AusMI-14850) and Clo Mor (ScotAr 7) viruses.

Section VI - Biologic Characteristics

Virus Source (all VERTEBRATE isolates)
Blood (LV)

Lab Methods of Virus Recovery (ALL ISOLATIONS)
Newborn mice

Cell system (a)	Virus passage history (b)	Evidence of Infection						
		CPE			PLAQUES			Growth Without CPE +/- (g)
		Day (c)	Extent (d)	Titer TCD50/ml (e)	Day (c)	Size (f)	Titer PFU/ml (e)	
Chicken, duck, and human embryo fibroblasts(PC)	PMR, P-5		No CPE	3.5-5.5 ^a				+ (3)
L (CL)			CPE	2.5 (3)				
A1 (CL)			CPE	4.5 (3)				
HeLa (CL)			CPE	6.0 (3)				
RH, Vero (CL)			No CPE					- (3)

^a Expressed in dex

Vertebrate (species and organ) and arthropod	No. isolations/No. tested	No. with antibody/No. tested Test used	Country and region
Ixodes (Ceratiixodes) uriae White (= Ixodes putus)			Great Island, Newfoundland, Canada ;1971-72(1,2)
eggs	0/3/227 *		
larvae	0/6/48 *		
nymphs	1/60/479 *		
adult males	1/14/105 *		
adult females	1/60/356 *		
Larus argentatus (chicks)	1/84	2/23 NT	
Larus marinus (chicks)	0/2	0/1 NT	
Rissa tridactyla (chicks)	0/15		
Uria aalge (chicks)	0/3		
Fratercula arctica (chicks)	0/20		
Fratercula arctica (ad)		18/29 NT	
Oceanodroma leucorhoa (ad)		12/63 NT	
Ixodes signatus	1/130/7,244 *		Paramushir Island, Sakhalinsk, USSR (3)
Ixodes uriae	3/335/8,302 *		Tyuleniy Island, Sakhalinsk Region, USSR (3)
Ixodes uriae	1/400/20,270		Bering Island, Kamchatsk Region, USSR (3)
Ixodes uriae	1		Cape Sizun seabird reserve, Brittany France (5)

* Number of isolates/number of pools/number of specimens

Experimental host and age	Passage history and strain	Inoculation Route-Dose	Evidence of infection	AST (days)	Titer log ₁₀ /ml
Mice (nb)	CanAr 173, P-2-9	ic 0.02	Paralysis, death	8-14	4.6-6.1
Mice (nb)	P-4, 9	ip	Occasional death	11-14	6.7
Mice (nb)	P-9	sc	None; no viremia detected		
Mice (wn)	P-4, 9	ic	Occasional death	8-13	5.1
Mice (wn)		ip	CF and NT antibody; no viremia		
Mice (wn)		sc	CF and NT antibody; no viremia		
chicks (1 day)	P-9	ic	No viremia or NT antibody		
chicks (1 day)		sc	No viremia or NT antibody		
	PMR, P-5				
hamsters (ad)		ip	No illness (3)		
guinea pigs (ad)		ip	No illness (3)		
rats (ad)		ip	No illness (3)		
rats (nb)		ic	No illness (3)		

Section XII - Geographic Distribution

Known (Virus detected)

Newfoundland, Canada (1,2); Paramushir Island, Tyuleniy Island, and Bering Island, USSR (3,4), France (5)

Suspected (Antibody only detected)

Section XIII - References

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Remarks

Paramushir virus was recently demonstrated to be serologically identical to Avalon virus by complement-fixation, neutralization, and fluorescent-antibody techniques (4). Paramushir was isolated from Ixodes uriae and I. signatus in the eastern USSR (3,4).