

<b>Virus Name: Vesicular Stomatitis, New Jersey serotype</b>		<b>Abbreviation: VSNJV</b>
Status <b>Possible Arbovirus</b>	Select Agent No	SALS Level 2
SALS Basis <b>Extensive laboratory experience and mild nature of aerosol laboratory infections justifies Level 2.</b>		
Other Information		
Antigenic Group <b>Vesicular Stomatitis</b>		

#### **SECTION I - Full Virus Name and Prototype Number**

Prototype Strain Number / Designation <b>Hazelhurst</b>	Accession Number	Original Date Submitted 7/12/1984
Family <b>Vesiculovirus</b>	Genus	
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Information Footnote <b>Revised</b>		

#### **Section II - Original Source**

Isolated By (name) <b>L. Mott</b>	Isolated at Institute <b>National Animal Disease Laboratory</b>	
Host Genus <b>suis (domestic pig)</b>	Species	Host Age/Stage <b>adult</b>
Sex <b>Not Answered</b>		
<u>Isolated From</u>	<u>Isolation Details</u>	
<b>Organs/Tissues</b>		<b>snout epithelium</b>
Signs and Symptoms of Illness <b>vesicle formation on snout, salivation, elevated temperature (1)</b>	Arthropod	
Time Held Alive before Inoculation		
Collection Method	Collection Date <b>5/16/1952</b>	
Place Collected (Minimum of City, State, Country) <b>Hazelhurst, Georgia</b>		
Latitude <b>31° 50' N</b>	Longitude <b>82° 35' W</b>	
Macrohabitat <b>farm, pigs, running into woodland</b>	Microhabitat	Method of Storage until Inoculated <b>ice</b>
Footnotes		

### Section III - Method of Isolation

Inoculation Date

Animal (Details will be in Section 6)  
**(Embryonated Egg)**

Route Inoculated Reisolation

Other Reasons

Homologous Antibody Formation by Source Animal

**Yes**

Test(s) Used

NT

Footnotes

### Section IV - Virus Properties

Physicochemical

**RNA, Single Strand**

Pieces (number of genome segments)	Infectivity	Sedimentation Coefficients(s)
<b>1</b>	no	<b>38-45 S(S)</b>
Percentage wt. of Virion Protein	Lipid	Carbohydrate
<b>60-70%</b>	<b>20-25%</b>	<b>3-13% (2, 6); RNA 0.</b>
Virion Polypeptides: Number	Details	
<b>5</b>	<b>L (MW: 150-200 x 10^3), G (MW: 64 x 10^3), N (MW: 52 x 10^3), M (MW: 24 x 10^3), NS (MW: 29-45 x 10^3) (3, 6)</b>	
Non-virion Polypeptides: Number	Details	
<b>0</b>		
Virion Density	Sedimentation Coefficients(s)	
<b>1.18-1.20 in sucrose</b>	<b>625 S (6)(S)</b>	
Nucleocapsid Density	Sedimentation Coefficients(s)	
<b>1.32 in CsCl</b>	<b>140 S (6)(S)</b>	

#### Stability of Infectivity (effects)

pH (infective range)

**unstable at pH 3; stable in range pH 5-10**

Lipid Solvent (ether - % used to test)	After Treatment Titer	Control Titer
<b>sensitive</b>		
Lipid Solvent (chloroform)	After Treatment Titer	Control Titer
<b>sensitive</b>		
Lipid Solvent (deoxycholate)	After Treatment Titer	Control Titer
<b>sensitive</b>		

Other (formalin, radiation)

**rapidly inactivated by ultraviolet and x-radiation (3)**

#### Virion Morphology

Shape	Dimensions	
<b>bullet-shaped</b>	<b>180 x 75 nm (4 ,6)</b>	
Mean	Range	
nm	nm	
Measurement Method	Surface Projections/Envelope	Nucleocapsid Dimensions, Symmetry

electron microscopy

surface projections 6-10 nm; bilayer lipid membrane (3)

extended; 3.5 nm; helical: 30-35 turns, 49nm outer, 29 nm inner diameter (6)

Morphogenesis

Site of Constituent Formation in Cell cytoplasm

Site of Virion Assembly buds from plasma membrane (3, 4)

Site of Virion Accumulation extracellular and in cytoplasmic vesicles

Inclusion Bodies  
not usually

Other

HemagglutinationHemagglutination  
YesAntigen Source  
infected BHK-21 cell cultures (6)Erythrocytes (species used)  
goose

pH Range

pH Optimum  
6.4 (5)

Temperature Range

Temperature Optimum  
low temperature

Remarks

hemagglutinin prepared from cells maintained in medium containing 0.4% bovine albumin and no serum (5)

Serologic Methods Recommended  
CF and NT

Footnotes

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

CF tests (6):

Antigens	Hyperimmune Mouse Sera				
	VS-New Jersey	VS-Indiana	Cocal	Piry	Chandipura
VS-New Jersey	256/512 <sup>a</sup>	0	0	0	0
VS-Indiana	0	256/512	32/128	0	0
Cocal	0	32/512	256/512	0	0
Piry	0	0	0	128/32	8/4
Chandipura	0	0	0	0	128/64

<sup>a</sup> Titer of serum/titer of antigen; 0 = <4/4

Log Neutralization Tests (6)

Hyperimmune Mouse Sera

Virus	Titer dex LD50	VS-New Jersey	VS-Indiana	Cocal	Piry	Chandipura
VS-New Jersey	5.5	>=5.0 <sup>b</sup>	2.2	<1.5	<1.5	<1.5
VS-Indiana	7.1	1.9	>=6.2	4.2	<1.5	2.6
Cocal	7.7	2.7	4.2	>=7.0	1.7	1.8
Piry	7.9	2.5	2.3	2.6	5.7	3.4
Chandipura	7.3	<1.5	2.5	2.7	4.6	>=5.7

<sup>b</sup> Log neutralization index in dex

#### Plaque Reduction Neutralization Tests (7)

Immune serum	Virus						Isfahan
	VS-New Jersey	VS-Indiana	Cocal	Piry	Chandipura		
VS-New Jersey	10240 <sup>c</sup>	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10	<10
VS-Indiana	<10	327680	320	<10	<10	<10	<10
Cocal	<10	160	5120	<10	<10	<10	<10
Alagoas	<10	20	20	<10	<10	<10	<10
Piry	<10	<10	<10	163840	80	<10	<10
Chandipura	<10	<10	<10	<10	10240	<10	<10
Isfahan	<10	<10	40	<10	<10	163840	

<sup>c</sup> Reciprocal of highest serum dilution producing >=95% plaque inhibition

For additional serologic test results, see Vesicular Stomatitis Alagoas registration card and Reference [6].

## Section VI - Biologic Characteristics

Virus Source (all VERTEBRATE isolates)

Lab Methods of Virus Recovery (ALL ISOLATIONS)  
Weanling mice

Cell system (a)	Virus passage history (b)	Evidence of Infection						Growth Without CPE	+/- (g)		
		CPE			PLAQUES						
		Day (c)	Extent (d)	Titer TCD50/ml (e)	Day (c)	Size (f)	Titer PFU/ml (e)				
Vero (CL)		1-2	Total		3	3-4 mm	6.5 °				

VE-New Jersey produces CPE and plaques in a wide variety of mammalian and avian cell lines (80). It also grows in a number of insect cell lines without producing CPE (9, 10, 11).

° Expressed in dex

## Section VII - Natural Host Range (Additional text can be added below table)

Vertebrate (species and organ) and arthropod	No. isolations/No. tested	No. with antibody/No. tested Test used	Country and region
horse	many	384/611 NT	Panama (12, 13)
cow	many	319/885 NT	
pig	many	94/187 NT	
man (lab workers or animal handlers)	few		USA (14, 15)
man (adult rural inhabitants)		980/2042 NT	Panama (16)
man (adult rural inhabitants)		209/1160 NT	Guatemala (16)
man (adult rural inhabitants)		144/670 NT	Honduras (16)
man (adult rural inhabitants)		146/675 NT	EI Salvador (16)
man (adult rural inhabitants)		119/723 NT	Nicaragua (16)
man (adult rural inhabitants)		141/975 NT	Costa Rica (16)

<i>Culex nigripalpus</i> (unfed)	1/95	Guatamala (19)
<i>Mansonia indubitans</i>	1	Ecuador (20)
<i>Musca domestica</i>	22	Larimer City, CO (31)
<i>Musca autumnalis</i>	2	
<i>Chloropidae</i>	1	
<i>Anthomyidae</i>	4	
<i>Simuliidae</i>	2	
<i>Culicoides variipennis</i>	2	Western Colorado (32)
<i>Culicoides stellifer</i>	1	
<i>Culicoides selfia</i> sp.	1	

A single isolation of VSNJ made from Simulium flies collected while feeding on clinically infected cows in Colombia (21).

VSNJ neutralizing antibodies also found in a wide variety of wild mammals (17, 18)

## Section VIII - Susceptibility to Experimental Infection (include viremia)

Experimental host and age	Passage history and strain	Inoculation Route-Dose	Evidence of infection	AST (days)	Titer log10/ml	
mice (nb)	any except ts	ic 3 dex	death	2-3	6.0-8.0	
mice (nb)	mutants	ip	death	2-3	6.0-8.0	
mice (nb)		sc	death	2-3	6.0-8.0	
mice (wn)		ic	death	2-3	6.0-8.0	
mice (wn)		ip	antibody and survival			
hamster (nb)		sc	death (22)	1-2	5.0-9.0	
hamster (wn)		sc	antibody			
hamster (ad)		in	death (23)	5-6		
guinea pig (ad)		foot pad	vesicle on foot pad	2-4	4.0-5.0 (fluid)	

Many wild mammals susceptible and develop inapparent infection and antibodies following subcutaneous inoculation (24)

## **Section IX - Experimental Arthropod Infection and Transmission**

Section X - Histopathology

**Character of lesions (specify host)**

**spongiosis of the epithelium and multilocular intercellular edema; encephalitis in animals inoculated intracerebrally.**

## Inclusion Bodies

## Intranuclear

#### Organs/Tissues Affected

see reference 30 for discussion of experimental pathology

#### Category of tropism

**epitheliotropic, neurotropic, viscerotropic**

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Section XI - Human Disease

In Nature Reported	Residual	Death
Subclinical Significant	Overt Disease Significant	
Clinical Manifestations		
fever, headache, myalgia, arthralgia, prostration		
Number of Cases 30-40	Category (i.e. febrile illness, etc.) febrile illness	

## **Section XII - Geographic Distribution**

- Known (Virus detected)
- Suspected (Antibody only detected)

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### Remarks

The original strain of VSNJ, isolated by Cotton in 1925 (29), has been lost. The basic epizootic unit considered to be the pasture rather than arthropods (33).