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## Monkeypox Virus Background

Monkeypox virus (MPXV) is a zoonotic member of the Orthopoxvirus genus in the Poxviridae family. It is the next most pathogenic poxvirus after smallpox<sup>1</sup>. Two genetic clades, West African and Central African (Congo Basin), have been characterized; the latter is capable of human-tohuman transmission<sup>1,2</sup>. Monkeypox has gained clinical relevance due to the eradication of smallpox, which has created opportunities for increased prevalence and viral mutations that may affect virulence<sup>1,2</sup>. Rodents are thought to be the natural reservoir, with transmission through contact with bodily fluids and feces. Case fatality rates are <1% and up to 11% for the West African and Central Basin clades, respectively<sup>1,2</sup>. An infection with one orthopoxvirus of any one species, or vaccinia virus vaccination, protects against infection by other orthopoxviruses<sup>3,4,5</sup>.

MPXV is an enveloped virus with a linear, doublestranded DNA genome<sup>2</sup> and a large, complex proteome of over 200 proteins<sup>6</sup>. During infection, the virus exists in two antigenically distinct forms: mature virions (MV) or enveloped virions (EV)<sup>6</sup>.

An FDA approved attenuated live virus vaccine, JYNNEO<sup>™</sup>, is also being evaluated for the protection of those at risk of occupational exposure to orthopoxviruses<sup>7</sup>. There are no proven, safe treatments for monkeypox virus infection.





# Antibody Clone Descriptions

MPXV-26 was generated from peripheral blood mononuclear cells obtained from donors who had either recovered from naturally-occurring MPXV infection or been immunized against vaccinia<sup>°</sup>. Complementary screening approaches were used to identify orthopoxvirus-specific monoclonal antibodies (mAbs) to MPXV, cowpox virus (CPXV), variola virus (VARV), and vaccinia virus (VACV). MPXV-26 is reactive to VACV antigen, CPXVIysate, VARV antigen and lysate, but not MPXV lysate. MPXV-26 binds to VACV and VARV purified antigens and CPXVvirus-infected cell lysate but not VACV and MPXV cell lysates. MPXV-26 neutralizes VACV MV and MV plus complement (MV+C'), CPXV MV and MV+C', and weakly neutralizes MPXV MV and MV+C'. MPXV-26 is reactive against L1, an MV surface protein.

When MPXV-26 is mixed with other mAbs, neutralization and cross-neutralization are more efficient than in individual assays<sup>5</sup>. These mAb mixes also provide protection against VACV in mice. While not completely protective on its own, MPXV-26 induces delayed morbidity and mortality in mice, and mixes that exclude MPXV-26 are less effective prophylactics.

#### Isotype: IgG1<sup>⁵</sup>

**<u>Applications</u>**: ELISA<sup>5</sup>, neutralization assay<sup>5</sup>, binding assay<sup>5</sup>, *in vivo*protection study <sup>5</sup>

**MPXV-56** was generated from peripheral blood mononuclear cells obtained from donors who had either recovered from naturally-occurring MPXV infection or been immunized against vaccinia<sup>5</sup>. Complementary screening approaches were used to identify orthopoxvirus-specific mAbs to MPXV, cowpox virus (CPXV), variola virus (VARV), and vaccinia virus (VACV). MPXV-56 is reactive against VACV antigen and lysate, CPXVlysate, MPXV lysate, and VARV antigen and lysate. MPXV-56 binds to VACV and VARV purified antigen and weakly binds virus-infected cell lysates of VACV, CPXV, and MPXV. MPXV-56 neutralizes VACV EV plus complement (+C') but not MV, MV+C', or EV. MPXV-56 also neutralizes CPXV EV+C' but not EV and weakly neutralizes MPXVEV+C'but not MV, MV+C', or EV. MPXV-56 is reactive against A33, a surface antigen on the EV form of the virus.

#### Isotype: IgG2

**<u>Applications</u>**: ELISA<sup>5</sup>, neutralization assay<sup>5</sup>, binding assay<sup>5</sup>

**MPXV-13** was generated from peripheral blood mononuclear cells obtained from donors who had either recovered from naturally-occurring MPXV infection or been immunized against vaccinia<sup>5</sup>. Complementary screening approaches were used to identify orthopoxvirus-specific mAbs to MPXV, cowpox virus (CPXV), variola virus (VARV), and vaccinia virus (VACV).

MPXV-13 reacts to VACV antigen and lysate, CPXV lysate, MPXV lysate, and VARV antigen and lysate. MPXV-13 weakly binds to VACV purified antigen, VACV and MPXV virus-infected cell lysates, and strongly binds VARV purified antigen and CPXV virus-infected cell lysate. MPXV-13 neutralizes VACVEV plus complement (+C')but not MV, MV+C', or EV. MPXV-13 also binds to CPXVEV+C'but not EV. MPXV-13 does not neutralize MPXVMV, MV+C', EV, or EV+C'.MPXV-13 reacts to B5, an EV surface antigen.

#### Isotype: IgG1

**<u>Applications:</u>** ELISA<sup>5</sup>, neutralization assay<sup>5</sup>, binding assay<sup>5</sup>



# ANTIBODIES AGAINST OTHER EMERGING INFECTIOUS DISEASES

Pathogen	Clone	Specificity	Antigen Distribution	Applications	
<u>Chikungunya</u> <u>(CHIKV)</u>	CHK152	CHK-152 activity is directed against the A domain of CHIKVE2		Neutralization; competition ELISA	
	CHKV-24	CHKV-24 targets the CHIKVE2 glycoprotein	E2 is expressed on the surface of the virus.	Neutralization; competition ELISA;protective efficacy study; plaque reduction neutralization test	
	CHKV-35	CHKV-35binds to and neutralizes CHIKVvaccine strain 181/25		Neutralization; ELISA;	
<u>Dengue Virus</u> (DENV)	DENV-1C19	DENV-1C19activity is directed against the bc loop of domain II of the E glycoprotein adjacent to the fusion loop (FL),is quaternary structure dependent, and cross- reactive against DENV-1, 2, 3, 4.		Competitive binding assay, neutralization assay, focus reduction neutralization titer assay (FRNT), binding assay, yeast surface display, shotgun mutagenesis screening, capture ELISA, dot blot	
	DENV-1F4	DENV-1F4 activity is DENV-1 specific and directed against one E protein within a homodimer at DI and the DI/DII hinge region in a quaternary structure dependent manner. The quaternary structure epitope is present only on intact E protein assembled on a viral particle.	E is expressed on the surface of DENV	Neutralization assay, capture ELISA, dot blot, binding assay, ELISA, flow cytometric neutralization assay, immunoassay, competition assay, immunoblotting, Ab- dependent enhancement (ADE) assay	
	DENV-2D22	DENV-2D22 activity is DENV-2 specific and directed against the E homodimer at the DIII+glycan loop with serotype specificity on one Eprotein and DII around the fusion loop on the other Eprotein.		Binding assay, neutralization assay, capture ELISA, dot blot, ELISA, immunoblotting, Ab- dependent enhancement (ADE) assay, flow cytometry- based neutralization assay, cryo-electron microscopy	

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<u>Eastern Equine</u> <u>Encephalitis</u> <u>virus (EEEV)</u>	EEEV-129	EEEV-129activity is directed against the B domain of the E2 glycoprotein.	E2 is expressed on the surface of EEEV	Neutralization, focus reduction neutralization test, ELISA, competition-binding studies, biolayer interferometry, alanine- scanning mutagenesis	
Influenza (Flu)	Flu-5J8	Flu-5J8activity is directed against a conserved H1 epitope adjacent to the receptor binding site domain on the HA globular head.	HA is on the viral surface	Fastprotein liquid chromatography (FPLC), hemagglutination inhibition assay, neutralization assay, microneutralization assay,binding affinity assay,biolayer interferometry, <i>in vivo</i> therapeutic assay, <i>in vitro</i> binding assay, <i>in vivo</i> protection assay,X-ray crystallography, electron microscopy, biolayer interferometry-based competition, flow cytometry, capture ELISA,competition assay using biolayer interferometry, competition ELISA	
	FluA-20	FluA-20 activity is directed against a novel epitope at the trimer interface of the hemagglutinin (HA)head domain of most influenza A viruses.		ELISA, <i>in vivo</i> protection study, prophylaxis study, therapeutic study, bio-layer interferometry, crystallography, hydrogen deuterium exchange mass spectrometry, flow cytometry, hemagglutinin inhibition assay, microneutralization assay,plaque reduction neutralization test, egress inhibition assay, negative- stain electron microscopy, affinity chromatography, Ab-dependent cellular cytotoxicity (ADCC)assay, binding kinetic assay, site-directed mutagenesis, HA cleavage inhibition assay,pH dependent conformational change assay,NK cell activation assay	

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<u>Andes virus</u> ( <u>hantavirus)</u> (ANDV)	ANDV-44	ANDV-44 specificity is directed against the surface glycoprotein spike	The glycoprotein spike is expressed on the ANDV envelope surface	Competition binding assay, neutralization assay, fusion inhibition assay, plaque reduction neutralization test, flow cytometric-based competition-binding analysis, ELISA, animal protection study	
<u>Sin Nombre</u> <u>virus</u> (hantavirus) (SNV)	SNV-53	SNV-53 specificity is directed spike is against the surface glycoprotein expressed of spike SNV envelop surface.		Competition binding assay, neutralization assay, fusion inhibition assay, plaque reduction neutralization test, flow cytometric-based competition-binding analysis, ELISA, animal protection study	
<u>Henipavirus</u> ( <u>HENV)</u>	HENV-103	HENV-103 activity is directed against an area spanning the β1 and β6 propeller blades of receptor binding protein (RBP)	RBP is an envelope glycoprotein	surface plasmon resonance competition binding, binding, neutralization, ephrin-B2 competition binding, negative stain electron microscopy, animal protection challenge, flow cytometry, neutralization synergy	
	HENV-117	HENV-117 activity is directed against the receptor-binding domain of RBP		surface plasmon resonance competition binding, binding, neutralization, ephrin-B2 competition binding, negative stain electron microscopy, animal protection challenge, flow cytometry, neutralization synergy.	

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J <u>apanese</u> <u>Encephalitis</u> <u>virus (JE</u> V)	JEV-75	JEV-75activity is directed against the E ectodomain. E is expressed on the surface of JEV.		neutralization, ELISA,focus reduction neutralization test, pre-attachment neutralization assay,post-attachment neutralization assay,fusion- from-without assay,alanine- scanning site-directed mutagenesis	
	JEV-69	JEV-69activity is directed against DIII-LRof the Eprotein		neutralization, ELISA,focus reduction neutralization test, pre-attachment neutralization assay,post-attachment neutralization assay,fusion- from-without assay,alanine- scanning site-directed mutagenesis	
<u>Respiratory</u> <u>Syncytial virus</u> <u>(RSV)</u>	RSV-3M3	RSV-3M3activity is directed against antigenic site IV of the RSV fusion (F)protein	F protein is a surface glycoprotein	ELISA,neutralization assay, competition binding assay, biolayer interferometry-based competition-binding assay, peptide binding assay,Fab production	
	RRV-19	RRV-19activity is directed against the B domain of the E2protein.			
<u>RossRiver Virus</u> <u>(RRV)</u>	RRV-86	RRV-86activity is directed against the arch region/B domain of the E2 protein	E2 is expressed on the surface of RRV.	ELISA,binding assay, neutralization, focus reduction neutralization test, alanine scanning mutagenesis, fusion from without (FFWO)assay, quantitative competition- binding assay using biolayer interferometry, competition ELISA	
	RRV-12	RRV-12activity is directed against the E2 protein			

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<u>Rotavirus (RV)</u>	RV6-26	RV6-26 activity is directed against a quaternary epitope on VP6	Immunoblotting, ELISA, neutralization, binding assay, cryo electron microscopy, fast protein liquid chromatography (FPLC), ELISAbinding assay, intracellular neutralization assay, surface plasmon resonance affinity, flow cytometry, antibody-capture ELIS sandwich ELISA,enhanced amide hydrogen/deuterium exchange mass spectroscopy (DXMS)			
	RV6-25	RV6-25 activity is directed against the apical surface of the VP6 head domain.		Fastprotein liquid chromatography (FPLC),ELISA,ELISAbinding assay, intracellular neutralization assay, surface plasmon resonance affinity, antibody-capture ELISA,sandwich ELISA,flow cytometry, antibody- capture ELISA,sandwich ELISA, cryo-electron microscopy, hydrogen-deuterium exchange mass spectrometry (DXMS)		
	WNV-86	WNV-86 targets E domain II, preferentially recognizing mature virions lacking prM	Eprotein is preferentially displayed on mature virions	ELISA, affinity chromatography, RT- PCR, neutralization assay, flow cytometry, binding assay, neutralization escape assay, inhibition assay, pre-attachment assay, post-attachment assay, antibody competition binding study, bio-layer interferometry		
<u>West Nile virus</u> <u>(WNV)</u>	WNV-96	WNV-96 activity is directed against the $\beta$ -Ladder, spaghetti loop of NS1.	NS1 is expressed as a dimer on the cell surface and as a soluble hexamer in the extracellular space and in circulation.	ELISA,flow cytometry, biolayer interferometry-based antibody competition, ELISA-basedantibody competition assay,mean fluorescence intensity, virus		
WNV-		WNV-99 activity is directed against the wing, flexible loop of NS1.				

Pathogen	Clone	Specificity	Antigen Distribution	Applications	
<u>Vaccinia Virus</u> <u>(VACV)</u>	VACV-301	VACV-301 activity is directed against the A27 antigen	A27 is expressed on the mature virion particle surface	ELISA,binding assay, neutralization assay,plaque reduction neutralization (PRNT)assay, <i>in vivo</i> protection study	
<u>Zika Virus</u> <u>(ZIKV)</u>	ZV67	Anti-Zika clone ZV-67 specifically targets the lateral ridge of the DIIIdomain of envelope protein (E)	ZIKVenvelope	ELISA,neutralization, Western Blotting	

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				No Virus	1	0	0	

All the data that are part of the verification and validation phases are provided. The design history file includes all the necessary details (SOPs,batch records, etc.) covering all the regulatory requirements.



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