

PATHOGEN SAFETY DATA SHEET

Sindbis Virus

CHARACTERISTICS	
	Of the genus Alphavirus, and a member of the Togaviridae family. Virions are spherical to pleomorphic (70 nm in diameter), consisting of an envelope and nucleocapsid. The non-segmented genome consists of a single molecule of linear positive-
Morphology	sense single-stranded RNA
Disease	Epidemic polyarthritis and rash, Sindbis virus disease.
Zoonosis	Yes, by mosquito bite. May be transmitted by ticks.

HEALTH HAZARDS	
Host Range	Humans, mosquitos, and birds
Modes of	
Transmission	Transmitted by mosquito bite.
Signs and	Sudden onset fever, headache, arthralgia, fatigue, and
Symptoms	muscle pain.
Infectious Dose	Unknown
Incubation Period	To 10 days.

MEDICAL PRECAUTIONS/TREATMENT	
Prophylaxis	None available
Vaccines	None available
Treatment	No specific treatment; however, dioxane-based antiviral agents for treatment are under investigation.
Surveillance	Monitor for symptoms
MSU Requirements	Report any exposures

LABORATORY HAZARDS	
Laboratory	
Acquired Infections	
(LAIs)	None reported to date
	Infected mosquitoes, skin lesions and blood or serum
	samples. Cultures, frozen stocks, other samples
Sources	described in IBC protocol.

SUPPLEMENTAL REFERENCES	
	http://www.phac-aspc.gc.ca/lab-bio/res/psds-
Canadian MSDS:	ftss/index-eng.php
BMBL	https://www.cdc.gov/labs/BMBL.html
ECDC	https://www.ecdc.europa.eu/en/sindbis-fever
	https://osp.od.nih.gov/wp-
NIH Guidelines	content/uploads/NIH_Guidelines.pdf
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RISK GROUP & CONTAINMENT REQUIREMENTS	
	Agents that are associated with human disease which is rarely serious and for which preventive or
Risk Group 2	therapeutic interventions are often available.
	For all procedures involving suspected or known
BSL2	infectious specimen or cultures.
ABSL2	For all procedures utilizing infected animals.

SPILL PROCEDURES	
	Notify others working in the lab. Remove PPE and
	don new PPE. Cover area of the spill with absorbent
	material and add fresh 1:10 bleach:water. Allow 20
	minutes (or as directed) of contact time. After 20
Small	minutes, cleanup and dispose of materials.
	 Immediately notify all personnel in the lab and clear all personnel from the area. Remove any
	contaminated PPE/clothing and leave the lab.
	 Secure the area by locking doors, posting signage and guarding the area to keep people out of the
	space.
	For assistance, contact MSU's Biosafety Officer (406-
	994-6733) or Safety and Risk Management (406-994-
Large	2711).

EXPOSURE PROCEDURES	
	Flush eyes, mouth, or nose for 5 minutes at eyewash
Mucous membrane	station.
Other Exposures	Wash area with soap and water for 5 minutes.
	Immediately report incident to supervisor, complete
	a <u>First Report of Injury</u> form, and submit to Safety
Reporting	and Risk Management.
	During business hours:
	Bridger Occupational Health 3406 Laramie Drive
	Weekdays 8am -6pm. Weekends 9am-5pm
	After business hours:
	Bozeman Deaconess Hospital Emergency Room
Medical Follow-up	915 Highland Blvd

VIABILITY	
Disinfection	Susceptible to 1:10 bleach:water, 70 % ethanol
	Inactivated by moist heat (15 minutes at 121° C) and
Inactivation	dry heat (1 hour at 170° C).
	Survive in cell culture at low temperature and low
	pH. Can also survive in biological materials for long
Survival Outside Host	periods of time.

PERSONAL PROTECTIVE EQUIPMENT (PPE)

Minimum PPE Requirements	Lab coat, disposable gloves, safety glasses, closed toed shoes, long pants
Additional Precautions	Additional PPE may be required depending on lab specific SOPs and IBC Protocol.