

Influenza A(H3N2) egg-derived¹ candidate vaccine viruses for development and production of vaccines for use in the 2026 southern hemisphere influenza season

Antigenic and genetic analyses are performed by the WHO Collaborating Centres of the Global Influenza Surveillance and Response System (GISRS). Unless otherwise specified, all candidate vaccine viruses posted on this table have passed two- way haemagglutination inhibition (HI) test. [National or Regional control authorities approve the composition and formulation of vaccines used in each country](#)²

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Candidate vaccine viruses antigenically like A/Singapore/GP20238/2024 (egg-derived) - Accession number (GISAID): EPI_ISL_19871656

Parent virus	Candidate vaccine virus	Type of virus or reassortant	Developing institute	Available from
A/Singapore/GP20238/2024	Wild type		VIDRL, Australia	VIDRL, Australia
	IVR-277	classical	Seqirus	
A/Valladolid/1187/2025	Wild type		FCI, UK	MHRA, UK
A/Minnesota/15/2025	Wild type		CDC, USA	CDC, USA
A/Nepal/N042/2025	Wild type		VIDRL, Australia	VIDRL, Australia

Institutes contact details for candidate vaccine virus orders/information:

VIDRL: enquiries@influenzacentre.org

MHRA: standards@mhra.gov.uk or enquiries@mhra.gov.uk

WHO CCs and ERLs: http://www.who.int/influenza/gisrs_laboratory/collaborating_centres

¹ For cell-derived candidate vaccine viruses and reference reagents please see <https://www.who.int/teams/global-influenza-programme/vaccines/who-recommendations/candidate-vaccine-viruses>

² <https://www.who.int/initiatives/who-listed-authority-reg-authorities>

Reference antigens (freeze-dried)

Parent virus	Starting materials		Ref Ag Lot number	Unitage	Available from
	Candidate vaccine virus	Egg or cell		(µg HA/ml)	
A/Singapore/GP20238/2024	IVR-227	Egg	2025/153B	78	TGA, Australia
			H3-Ag-2510	69	CBER/FDA, USA
			25/220	48	MHRA, UK

Sheep Antisera

Purified HA from		Order Lot number	Available from
Parent virus	Egg or cell		
A/Valladolid/1187/2025-like	Egg	H3-Ab-2514	CBER/FDA, USA
A/Singapore/GP20238/2024-like		25/226	MHRA, UK
		AS466	TGA, Australia

WHO Essential Regulatory Laboratories (ERLs) contact details for reagent orders and other information:

MHRA: standards@mhra.gov.uk or enquiries@mhra.gov.uk

TGA: influenza.reagents@tga.gov.au

For reagents available from **CBER**, email CBERShippingRequests@fda.hhs.gov.

For information of other type and subtype candidate vaccine viruses and potency testing reagents, please go to: (<https://www.who.int/teams/global-influenza-programme/vaccines/who-recommendations/candidate-vaccine-viruses>).

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