

## Modified pαH Vector Containing the Human Coronavirus, HKU1 Spike Glycoprotein

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#### Product Description:

The vector for the spike (S) glycoprotein gene from human coronavirus, HKU1 was designed by codon optimizing the full-length S sequence (residues 1 to 1277; GenPept: [Q0ZME7](#)) for mammalian expression and subcloning into the pαH mammalian expression vector, which was modified by subcloning a HRV3C protease cleavage site, T4 foldon trimerization domain, and the octa-histidine and Strep-tag® II tags downstream of the open reading frame.<sup>1,2</sup> The recombinant protein is stabilized by substitution at the furin S1/S2 cleavage site (RRKRR→GGSGS; residues 752 to 756) and NL→PP mutations (residues 1067 and 1068). NR-54978 contains the beta-lactamase gene, *bla*, to provide transformant selection through ampicillin resistance in *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). NR-54978 is also referred to as VRC7576.<sup>1</sup> The resulting size of the plasmid is approximately 7970 base pairs. The complete plasmid sequence and map are provided on the BEI Resources webpage. The plasmid was produced in *E. coli* and extracted.

#### Material Provided:

Each vial contains plasmid DNA in TE buffer (10 mM Tris-HCl, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0). The DNA concentration and volume provided are shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening. **Note:** The contents of the vial should be used to replicate the plasmid in *E. coli* prior to mammalian expression.

#### Packaging/Storage:

NR-54978 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen on dry ice and should be stored at -20°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be minimized.

#### Citation:

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**References:**

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2. Wrapp, D., et al. "Cryo-EM Structure of the 2019-nCoV Spike in the Prefusion Conformation." Science 367 (2020): 1260-1263. PubMed: 32075877.

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