

**United States Department of Agriculture
Animal and Plant Health Inspection Service
Center for Veterinary Biologics
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1. **Reagent Name:** *Leptospira icterohaemorrhagiae* Monoclonal Antibody (LI MAb)
2. **Strain or Source:** Hybridoma Lict 294-004
3. **Lot Number:** IRP 04-506
4. **Fill Date:** May 4, 2004
5. **Expiration Date:** March 31, 2030

Precautions: There are no known hazards associated with the use of this reagent.

6. **Intended Use:** For use in an enzyme-linked immunosorbent assay (ELISA) as described in **Supplemental Assay Method (SAM) 627** for serial release potency testing of leptospiral bacterins containing serovar *icterohaemorrhagiae*.
7. **Instructions for Use:** Dilute LI MAb 1:25,000 in phosphate-buffered saline supplemented with 1% polyvinyl alcohol and 0.9% rabbit serum, and use immediately, according to **SAM 627**.
8. **Test of Reagent:** LI MAb passively protected hamsters against a challenge with *L. icterohaemorrhagiae*. LI MAb reacts against *L. icterohaemorrhagiae*-specific lipopolysaccharide-like antigen on Western blot; it does not react with antigens from other serovars. The isotype of LI MAb is IgG. The optimal use dilution was determined by titration, using the assay described in **SAM 627**.
9. **Container Size, Type, Weight, or Volume:** 250 µL in plastic microcentrifuge tubes.
10. **Storage Conditions:** -20°C to -80°C for long-term storage. Vial may be stored at 2°C - 7°C for 2 months.
11. **CVB Technical Contact:** Bacteriology Section, Center for Veterinary Biologics, (515) 337-6100.
12. **Origin and Passage History:** Not applicable

13. Method of Preparation: The hybridoma cell line was developed by immunizing BALB/c mice with an extract of *L. icterohaemorrhagiae* challenge strain 11403 and fusing splenocytes with Sp 2/O myeloma cells. Ascites fluid collected from BALB/c mice injected with hybridoma Lict294-004 was pooled, filtered, and frozen at -20°C or lower.

14. Other: None.

Restrictions: This reagent is provided by the CVB to biologics manufacturers only for use in potency testing according to **SAM 627**.

Reagent orders and feedback should be sent *including phone number* to the following email address: VS.DB.CVB.Reagent.Requests@usda.gov

Reagent orders forms (APHIS Form 2018) can be found on the CVB website.