CLINICAL DIAGNOSTICS

Viral Haemorrhagic Fevers (VHFs)

VHFs result from diverse viruses across seven viral families, causing acute illnesses with fever and haemorrhagic signs. With case fatality rates exceeding 50%, the absence of medical countermeasures makes some VHFs potential sources for bioweapon development (Logue et al., 1970). Despite dedicated efforts, viruses like Dengue, Ebola, Lassa, and Crimean-Congo haemorrhagic fevers persist, posing a dual threat in regions with demographic shifts, political unrest, and socio-economic instability. Urgent research and interventions are crucial to address this ongoing health challenge. (Gonzalez et al., 2017)

The most common pathogens in this group and their vectors include:

Hantavirus
Lassa Fever Virus

Ebola Virus
Marburg Virus

Rift Valley Fever
Dengue Virus
Chikungunya Virus
Yellow Fever Virus

Crimean Congo Haemorrhagic Fever Virus

Puumala Virus

Antigens

	Nucleoprotein (NP)	Glycoproteins (GP)	Virus-Like Particles (VLPs)	Nonstructural protein (NS1)	Envelope protein	Lysate
Hantavirus	+					
Lassa Fever Virus		+				
Ebola Virus	+	+				
Marburg Virus		+				
Rift Valley Fever	+					
Yellow Fever Virus				+	+	+
Dengue Virus			+	+	+	+
Chikungunya Virus			+		+	+
Crimean Congo Haemorrhagic Fever Virus	+	+				
Puumala Virus	+					

For the next-level detection of your diagnostic assays, consider our bestselling Dengue Virus Like Particles (VLPs). They have been developed to maintain the surface antigenicity of native viruses but are safe to handle without the nucleic acid inside. See one of many publications with our Dengue Virus VLPs:

"VLPs were confirmed to be heterogeneous in size morphology and maturation state. Yet, we show that many highly conformational and quaternary structure-dependent antibody epitopes found on virus particles are efficiently displayed on DENV1–4 VLP surfaces as well. Additionally, DENV VLPs can efficiently be used as antigens to deplete DENV patient sera from serotype specific antibody populations" (Metz et al., 2018).

Antibodies

	NP	GP	VLP	NS1	Envelope	Capsid
Hantavirus	+					
Lassa Fever Virus		+				
Ebola Virus	+	+				
Marburg Virus	+					
Rift Valley Fever	+					
Yellow Fever Virus				+		
Dengue Virus			+	+	+	
Chikungunya Virus			+		+	+
Crimean Congo Haemorrhagic Fever Virus	+	+				

Matched pairs

Our experienced Assay Development Team prepared over 300 matched antibody pairs perfect for ELISA and Lateral Flow assays. Contact us for more details!

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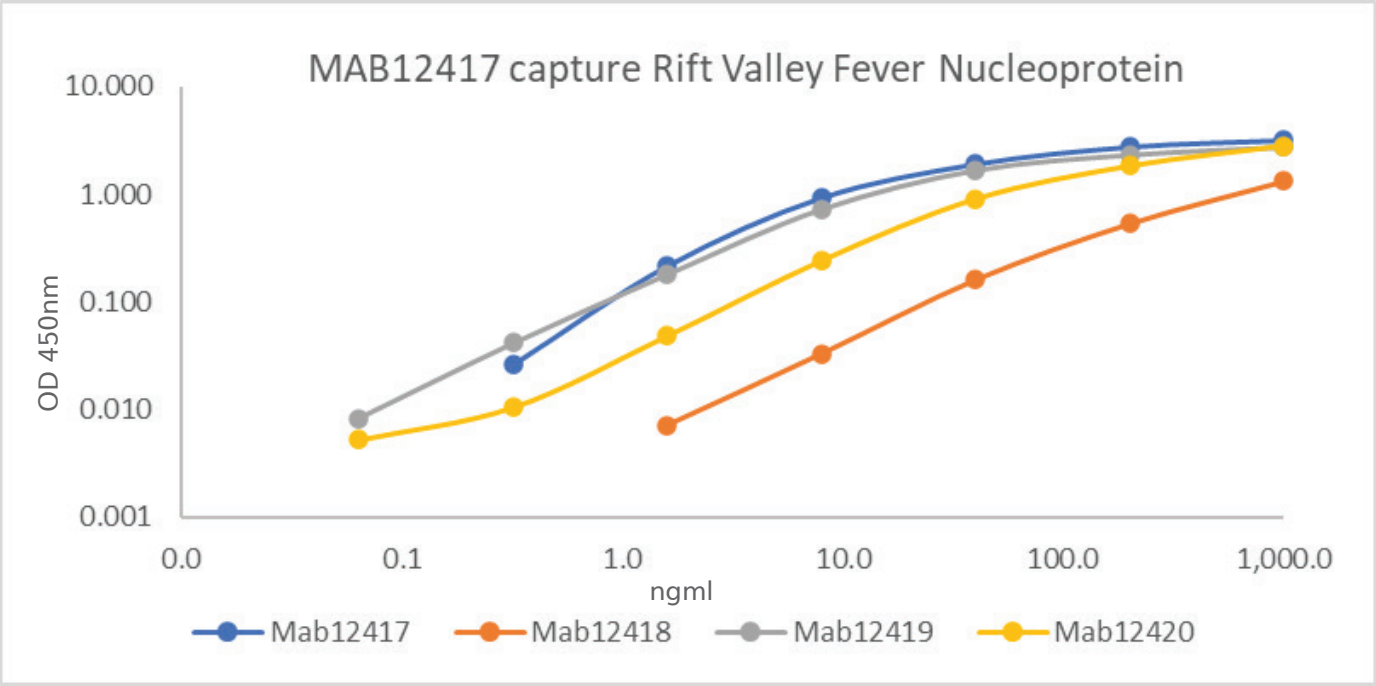

Figure 1. Example of the matched pair data produced by our assay experts.

Custom solutions

If you have a unique need in the space of viral antigens or antibodies, we can offer our experience to collaborate in a bespoke development project. Our specialized team can produce native antigens, antibodies, and viral lysates, with options for further downstream purification. We operate to BSL-2 standards and offer multiple validated options for inactivating viruses, as well as multiple conjugation options.

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