

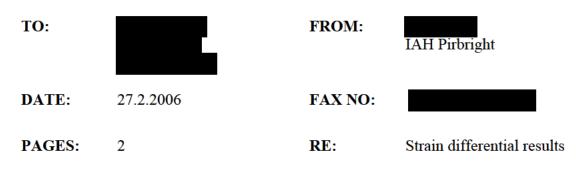
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Dear

Virus isolates: A TUR 1/2006, A TUR 2/2006, A TUR 3/2006

Strain differential results for type A FMD virus isolates received on 16th February 2006.

The following r1 values were recently obtained by virus neutralization test at the FAO World Reference Laboratory for FMD.

Yours sincerely

Head: World Reference Laboratory for FMD

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	r ₁ Values by neutralisation test against vaccine strains below			
WRL Ref Number	A22	A IRN 96	A MAY 97	5925
A TUR 1/06	0.42	0.08	0.11	0.41
A TUR 2/06	0.36	0.07	0.18	0.48
A TUR 3/06	0.39	0.09	0.13	0.48

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Interpretation of r₁ values

In the case of neutralisation:

 $r_1 = \ge 0.3$. Suggests that there is a close relationship between field isolate and vaccine strain. A potent vaccine containing the vaccine strain is likely to confer protection.

 $r_1 = < 0.3$. Suggests that the field isolate is so different from the vaccine strain that the vaccine is unlikely to protect.