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Thank you.

Dear [REDACTED],

Please find below the "r1" value report for O Bhu 2/2008 and O Bhu 3/2008 virus by both 2dm VNT and LPBE.

r1 Values by 2dmVNT					
Field Isolate:	2dmVNT	BFS 1860	O Ind R2/75	O Kaufbeuren	O Manisa
O Bhu 2/2008	mean	0.75	1.0	1.0	0.38
O Bhu 3/2008	mean	0.84	1.0	0.81	0.39

r1 Values by LPBE					
Field Isolate:	LPBE	O BFS 1860	O K77/78	O Tunisia 89	O Manisa 5918
O Bhu 2/08	mean	0.59	0.55	0.38	>0.58
O Bhu 3/08	mean				0.18

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Interpretation of r_1 values

In the case of neutralisation:

$r_1 = \geq 0.3$. 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.

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All of our phylogenetic trees can be accessed via the internet at:

http://www.iah.bbsrc.ac.uk/primary_index/current_research/virus/Picornaviridae/Aphthovirus/index.html

Yours Sincerley,

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