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Research highlights

- A specific mAb, 1G5, against AMDV VP2 protein (amino acids: 200~588) is successfully produced.
- The mAb 1G5 can be used to identify the cleavage of the capsid proteins in AMDV infection.
- The minimal linear epitope is located in amino acid residues <sup>459</sup>EEEGWPAASGTHFED<sup>473</sup>.

## Abstract

Aleutian mink disease is caused by a highly contagious parvovirus (Aleutian mink disease virus, AMDV). This disease is one of the most commercially important infectious disease worldwide and causes considerable economic losses to mink farmers. The capsid protein VP2 is the major immunogenic antigenic protein of AMDV, and is involved in viral tropism, pathogenicity, and host

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