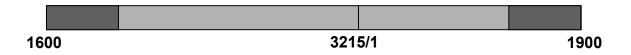


ATCC clone available in pBR325. EcoRI site at both ends. Primers designed to amplify 2 fragments: 1-1900 and 1600-3215. Ligation using internal EcoRI (1/3215) ensures continuous viral ORFs.



Replicative clone with promoter (1600-1900) at its 5' end and termination region (1600-1900) at its 3' end.

The construct was cloned into Nrul site in pcDNA3.1. Viral transcription is under its own promoter, as Nrul is outside the pCMV promoter.

**Supporting Information Figure S1.** Description of cloning of the full-length replication HBV construct.