

***Pfu* DNA polymerase** **, UltraPure (with dNTP)**

Code No. DE131
Stored at -20°C

Kit Contents

<i>Pfu</i> DNA polymerase (2.5 units / μ l, 100 units)	40 μ l
10 \times Reaction Buffer	1000 μ l
dNTP Mixture	350 μ l

Description

Pfu DNA polymerase is a high-fidelity thermostable DNA polymerase with 3'→5' exonuclease activity. The fidelity is more than ten-fold higher than that of *Taq* DNA polymerase. The highly purified *Pfu* DNA polymerase has no detectable contamination of host *E. coli* genome, guaranteeing less than 0.05 molecules of *E. coli* genome / unit (This figure reflects the detection limit of our present assay condition).

Source

E. coli cells carrying a cloned *Pfu* DNA polymerase.

Storage Buffer

50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.2), 1mM DTT, 0.1mM EDTA, 0.1% Tween[®] 20, 0.1% Nonidet P40[®] and 50 % glycerol.

10 x Reaction Buffer

200 mM Tris-HCl (pH8.8), 20 mM MgSO₄, 100 mM KCl, 100 mM (NH₄)SO₄, 1 % Triton X-100, 1 mg/ ml nuclease-free BSA

Contamination

The *Pfu* DNA polymerase (1 unit) has no detectable contamination of *E. coli* genomic DNA by high sensitive direct PCR with primers specific for *E. coli* 16S rRNA locus (less than 0.05 molecules of *E. coli* genome / unit). The *Pfu* DNA polymerase (2.5 unit) has no detectable ribonuclease and deoxyribonuclease contamination using RNaseAlert[®] Kit and DNaseAlert[™] Kit (Integrated DNA Technologies, Inc), respectively.

Fidelity

The fidelity of the *Pfu* DNA polymerase is determined as the mutation frequency according to the modified *rpsL* assay described in (1). Gapped plasmid containing *rpsL* reporter gene is filled by the *Pfu* DNA polymerase and then used to transform *E. coli* competent cell (*str*). Clones carrying mutated *rpsL* appear on the streptomycin-containing plate. The mutation frequency of the *Pfu* DNA polymerase during a single round replication is about 0.03 %. This is more than ten- fold lower mutation frequency than that of *Taq* DNA polymerase.

Polymerase Activity

One unit of the *Pfu* DNA polymerase is defined as the amount of enzyme that catalyzes the incorporation of 200 pmols of

dNTP into a hairpin oligomer (1) (as a template-primer) within 1 min at 65°C. The polymerase activity is assayed in a total volume of 100 μ l reaction mixture containing 1 x Reaction Buffer, 200 μ M dNTP and 0.4 μ M hairpin oligomer. The amount of incorporated dNTP is determined from the initial rate of dsDNA synthesis by the *Pfu* DNA polymerase with SYBER[®] Green I according to the modified method described in (2).

PCR test

The *Pfu* DNA polymerase is tested for amplification of 0.5 kb, 1 kb, 2 kb, 4 kb, 6 kb and 8 kb fragments from λ DNA as template.

PCR reaction mixture (50 μl)	(acceptable range)	
10 x Reaction buffer	5 μ l	
dNTP (2.5 mM each)	4 μ l	(4 μ l - 8 μ l)
Forward primer (10 μ M)	2 μ l	(0.5 μ l - 5 μ l)
Reverse primer (10 μ M)	2 μ l	(0.5 μ l - 5 μ l)
Template DNA (for genomic)	100 ng	(50 ng - 1 μ g)
(for plasmid)	or 1 ng	(50 pg - 50 ng)
<i>Pfu</i> DNA polymerase (2.5u/ μ l)	1 μ l	(0.5 μ l - 2 μ l)
Water	up to	50 μ l

Thermal cycling condition

94°C	1 min	(94 - 98°C	30 sec - 3 min)	} 25-35 cycles
94°C	30 sec	(94 - 98°C	15 sec - 1 min)	
55°C	30 sec	(45 - 65°C	30 sec - 1 min)	
72°C	1 min / kb	(1 min - 2min / kb)		
72°C	10 min	(5 min - 15 min)		

Note

If keeping the high purity of the *Pfu* DNA polymerase is necessary, we recommend the use of a UV-irradiated cabinet without any air-flow to avoid air-borne contamination and the use of a positive-displacement micropipetter (e.g. Microman Gilson) instead of a conventional air-displacement micropipetter to avoid cross-contamination.

References

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