

## Taq DNA Polymerase

Storage Buffer glycerol free

With 10X Standard Buffer (MgCl<sub>2</sub> 15 mM)  
With 10X Ammonium Buffer (MgCl<sub>2</sub> 15 mM)

**Concentration: 5 units/μl**

**Catalogue no.: 100104 (1000 units)**

Cat. no.	Size Units	10 x Ammonium Buffer (MgCl <sub>2</sub> 15mM)	10 x Standard Buffer (MgCl <sub>2</sub> 15mM)	MgCl <sub>2</sub> 25 mM
100103	500	1.5 mL	1.5 mL	1.5 mL
100104	1000	2x 1.5 mL	2x 1.5 mL	2x 1.5 mL

**Store at -20°C.** Reagent for in-vitro laboratory use only

### General Description

Gene Choice Taq DNA Polymerase is a thermostable recombinant DNA polymerase, which exhibits very high activity in primer extension and other molecular biology applications. The enzyme is isolated from *Thermus aquaticus* and has a molecular weight of approximately 94 kDa.

Gene Choice Taq DNA Polymerase has both a 5'→3' DNA polymerase and a 5'→3' exonuclease activity. The enzyme lacks a 3'→5' exonuclease activity (no proofreading ability). Taq DNA Polymerase leaves an A' overhang, which makes the enzyme ideal for TA cloning.

### 10 x Ammonium Reaction Buffer

Tris-HCl pH 8.5, (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>, 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1% Tween 20®.

### 10 x Standard Reaction Buffer

100mM Tris-HCl pH 8.3, 500mM KCl, 15mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1% Triton X-100.

### Unit Definition

One unit is defined as the amount that incorporates 10 nmoles of dNTPs into acid-precipitable form in 30 minutes at 72°C under standard assay conditions.

### Storage and Dilution Buffer

Enzyme is supplied in 20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.3, 100 mM KCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM DTT, 0.5% Tween 20®, 0.5% NP40.

### Quality Control

Each lot of Taq DNA Polymerase is tested for contaminating activities, with no trace of endonuclease activity, nicking activity, exonuclease activity or priming activity.

### Suggested Protocol using Taq DNA Polymerase

This protocol serves as a guideline for primer extensions. Optimal reaction conditions such as incubation times, temperatures, and amount of template DNA may vary and must be individually determined.

### Notes:

- Set up reaction mixtures in an area separate from that used for DNA preparation or product analysis.
- 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> is present in the 10X buffer. The 1X concentration is 1.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>.
- In some applications, more than 1.5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> is needed for the best results. For this reason, 25 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> is included with the kit. Table 2 provides the volume of 25 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> to add to the master mix if a higher MgCl<sub>2</sub> concentration is required.

1. Thaw 10X Buffer, dNTP mix, and primer solutions. **It is important to mix the solutions completely before use to avoid localized concentrations of salts.**

2. Prepare a master mix according to Table 1. The master mix typically contains all the components needed for extension except the template DNA.

**Table 1. Reaction components (master mix and template DNA)**

Component	Vol./reaction	Final Conc.
10X Buffer	5 μL	1X
dNTP mix (12.5 mM of each)	0.8 μL	0.2 mM of each dNTP
Primer A	Variable	0.1–1.0 μM
Primer B	Variable	0.1–1.0 μM
Taq DNA Polymerase	Variable	1-5 units
Distilled Water	Variable	----
Template DNA	Variable	Variable
<b>TOTAL volume</b>	50 μL	----

**Table 2. MgCl<sub>2</sub> concentration in a 50 μL reaction**

Final MgCl <sub>2</sub> conc. in reaction (mM)	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5	4.0	4.5
Additional volume of 25 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> per reaction (μL):	0	1	2	3	4	5	6

3. Mix the master mix thoroughly and dispense appropriate volumes into reaction tubes. Mix gently, e.g., by pipetting the master mix up and down a few times.

4. Add template DNA to the individual tubes containing the master mix.

5. Program the thermal cycler according to the manufacturer's instructions.

For maximum yield and specificity, temperatures and cycling times should be optimized for each new template target or primer pair.

6. Place the tubes in the thermal cycler and start the reaction.

### Three-step PCR Programme

Cycles	Duration of cycle	Temperature
25-35	20 - 30 seconds <sup>a</sup>	95 °C
	20 – 40 seconds <sup>b</sup>	50-65 °C
	30 seconds <sup>c</sup>	72 °C
1	5 minutes <sup>d</sup>	72 °C

<sup>a</sup> Denaturation step: This step is the first regular cycling event and consists of heating the reaction to 95 °C for 20–30 seconds. It causes DNA melting of the DNA template by disrupting the hydrogen bonds between complementary bases, yielding single-stranded DNA molecules.

<sup>b</sup> Annealing step: The reaction temperature is lowered to 50–65 °C for 20–40 seconds allowing annealing of the primers to the single-stranded DNA template. Typically, the annealing temperature is about 3-5 degrees Celsius below the T<sub>m</sub> of the primers used.

<sup>c</sup> Extension/elongation step: Taq polymerase has its optimum activity temperature at 72 °C. At this step the DNA polymerase synthesizes a new DNA strand complementary to the DNA template strand. The extension time depends on the length of the DNA fragment to be amplified. As a rule of thumb, at its optimum temperature the DNA polymerase will polymerize a thousand bases per minute.

<sup>d</sup> Final elongation: This single step is occasionally performed at a temperature of 72 °C for 5 minutes after the last PCR cycle to ensure that any remaining single-stranded DNA is fully extended.

### Related Products

Description	Cat. no.
Taq DNA Polymerase (1000 units) Glycerol free	<b>100103</b>
Taq DNA Polymerase (500 units) with 10X Ammonium Reaction Buffer with 10X Standard Reaction Buffer	<b>110303</b>
Taq DNA Polymerase (500 units) with 10X Combination Buffer	<b>110403</b>
Taq DNA Polymerase (500 units) with 10X Mg <sup>++</sup> Free Ammonium Buffer	<b>110503</b>
Taq DNA Polymerase 2.0X Master Mix (100 r) with 2.0 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	<b>150301</b>
Taq DNA Polymerase 2,0X MaMi RED (100 r) with 1.5 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> ,	<b>180301</b>
Taq DNA Polymerase 2.0X MaMi RED (100 r) with 2.0 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	<b>190301</b>
AccuPOL DNA Polymerase (500 units)	<b>210303</b>
TEMPase Hot Start DNA Polymerase (500 units) with 10X TEMPase Buffer I with 10X TEMPase Buffer II	<b>220303</b>
TEMPase Hot Start 2 x Master Mix with TEMPase Buffer I (100 r)	<b>230301</b>
TEMPase Hot Start 2 x Master Mix with TEMPase Buffer II (100 r)	<b>230701</b>
TEMPase Hot Start 2 x Master Mix Blue With TEMPase Buffer I (100 r)	<b>230301</b>
TEMPase Hot Start 2 x Master Mix Blue With TEMPase Buffer II (100 r)	<b>230701</b>
RealQ PCR 2 x Master Mix (200 reactions) for probe	<b>250407</b>
RealQ PCR 2 x Master Mix (200 reactions) With green dye	<b>250507</b>
dNTP Mix (2 x 500µl) (12.5 mM of each dA, dC, dG and dT)	<b>501004</b>
dNTP Mix, (2 x 500 µl) (10 mM of each dA, dC, dG and dT),	<b>502004</b>

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