

# Taq DNA Polymerase Cat #: 42-400

Unit Size: 1000 Units

Buffers:

10X Ammonium Reaction Buffer: 750mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.5; (NH $_4$ ) $_2$ SO $_4$ ; Mg $^{2+}$ Free; 1% Tween $^*$  20.

Separate 50 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> solution

Concentration: 1 unit/µl

Storage: -20°C.

Reagent for in vitro laboratory use only

## **General Description**

Apex 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.

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

#### **Key Features**

- The choice when high-fidelity is not required
- High performance thermostable DNA polymerase
- · Ideal for rich amplifications
- Optimal for TA cloning

### **Unit definition**

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

## **Storage and Dilution Buffer**

Enzyme is supplied in 20mM Tris-HCl pH 8.3, 100mM KCl, 0.1mM EDTA, 1mM DTT, 0.5% Tween® 20, 50% glycerol.

#### **Quality control**

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

#### **Protocol**

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.

- Set up reaction mixtures in an area separate from that used for DNA preparation or product analysis.
- Thaw 10X Buffer, dNTP mix, and primer solutions.
   It is important to mix the solutions completely before use to avoid localized concentrations of salts.
- Prepare a master mix according to Table 1. The master mix typically contains all the components needed for extension except the template DNA.
  - In some applications,  $MgCl_2$  is needed for the best results. For this reason, 50 mM  $MgCl_2$  is included with the kit. Table 2 provides the volume of 50 mM  $MgCl_2$  to add to the master mix if a certain  $MgCl_2$  concentration is required.
- 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.

Table 1. Reaction components (Master Mix and Template DNA) for a 50µl reaction

Component	Vol./reaction	Final Conc.
10X Mg <sup>2+</sup> Free Buffer	5μΙ	1X
MgCl <sub>2</sub> 50 mM	0	1.5
dNTP mix	0.011	0.2mM of
(12.5 mM of each)	0.8μΙ	each dNTP
Primer A	Variable	0.1–1.0μM
Primer B	Variable	0.1–1.0μM
Taq DNA Polymerase	Variable	1 – 5 units
PCR Grade Water	Variable	
Template DNA	Variable	Variable
TOTAL volume	50μΙ	

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

Final MgCl <sub>2</sub> conc. in reaction (mM)	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5
Additional volume of 50mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	0.5	1.0	1.5	2.0	2.5	3.0	3.5



- 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.

## **Apex AGAROSE guarantee**

- Low EEO (=0.12) This means biological macro-molecules such as proteins or nucleic acids as well as larger particles such as viruses and subcellular fragments can migrate through gel's neutral properties.
- Sharp, finely resolved banding resolution as well as excellent transparency for easy reading.
- Extraordinarily low gel background after applying staining agents.
- Superior mechanical resistance for more reliable and easier handling.



Description	Cat#
General Purpose Agarose (500 g)	20-102

## **Ethidium Bromide Dropper Bottle**

Adding Ethidium Bromide has never been easier and safer! For the recommended final concentration of 0.5  $\mu$ g/ml, simply add one drop for every 50 ml of solution.



0.625mg/ml EtBr Capacity: 5mg

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EtBr Destaining Bags, 25 Bags	20-277

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#### **Related Products**

Taq Polymerase kits (500 units)	Cat#
With 10X Standard and Ammonium Reaction Buffer	42-800B1
With 10X Combination Buffer	42-800B3
Glycerol Free	42-800B4
Hot Start DNA Polymerase (500 units)	Cat#
With 10X Ammonium and Combination Reaction Buffer	42-106
High Fidelity - Proof reading (500 units)	Cat#
Hi-Fi PR™ Taq 2.5 U/μl	42-110

Master Mixes (500 reactions)	Cat#
2X Taq DNA Polymerase Master Mix, 1.5 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	42-132
2X Taq RED Master Mix, 1.5 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	42-138
2X Hot Start Master Mix Buffer I, 1.5 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	42-198

The shown master mixes are ammonium based. Also available with balanced ammonium and potassium based buffers.

Real-time PCR (400 reactions)	Cat#
qPCR 2X Master Mix for Probe, without ROX <sup>™</sup>	42-116P
qPCR 2X Master Mix for Probe, low ROX <sup>™</sup>	42-118P
qPCR 2X Master Mix for Probe, high ROX <sup>™</sup>	42-120P
qPCR 2X GREEN Master Mix, without ROX <sup>™</sup>	42-116PG
qPCR 2X GREEN Master Mix, low ROX <sup>™</sup>	42-118PG
qPCR 2X GREEN Master Mix, high ROX <sup>™</sup>	42-120PG
Ultrapure dNTPs	Cat#
dNTP set, 100 mM each: 250 μl of each dA, dC, dG and dT	42-410
dNTP Set, 100 mM each: 1 ml of each dA, dC, dG and dT	42-403
dNTP Mix 40 mM (1 x 500 μl): 10 mM each dA, dC, dG, dT	42-411
dNTP Mix 100 mM (2 x 1 ml): 25 mM each dA, dC, dG, dT	42-405
dNTP Mix 10 mM (10 x 1 ml): 2.5 mM each dA, dC, dG, dT	42-406
Other concentrations and Single dNTPs are available.	

DNA Ladders	Cat#
Apex 100 bp-Low DNA Ladder, 250 applications	19-109
Apex 1 kb DNA Ladder, 333 applications	19-115
Apex 200 bp DNA Ladder, 200 applications	19-111
Apex ECON Mini DNA Ladder, 100 applications	19-130
Apex ECON Low DNA Ladder, 100 applications	19-131
Apex ECON PCR Ladder, 100 applications	19-132
Accessory reagents	Cat#
50 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub> , 3 × 1.5 ml	42-303
Nuclease-Free Water, PCR Grade, 6 x 5 ml	42-710

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