

Premix Taq™ (Ex Taq™ Version 2.0)

Code No. RR003A Size: 500 µl x 6
(for 120 PCR reactions)

Storage :

-20°C for long-term storage. 4°C for short-term storage (up to 3 months). If used frequently, store at 4°C ; repeated freezing and thawing will decrease its activity. Gently mix well before use and centrifuge briefly.

Components :

*TaKaRa Ex Taq** : 1.25 U/25 µl
dNTP Mixture : 2X conc. (0.4 mM each)
Ex Taq Buffer : 2X conc. (includes 4 mM Mg²⁺)

* Specifications of *TaKaRa Ex Taq* (Cat. #RR001)

Unit definition :

One unit is the amount of enzyme that will incorporate 10 nmol of dNTPs into acid-insoluble products in 30 minutes at 74°C with activated salmon sperm DNA as the template-primer.

Reaction mixture for unit definition :

25 mM	TAPS (pH 9.3 at 25°C)
50 mM	KCl
2 mM	MgCl ₂
0.1 mM	DTT
200 µM	each dATP·dGTP·dCTP
100 µM	[³ H]-dTTP
0.25 mg/ml	activated salmon sperm DNA

Purity :

Nicking activity was not detected after the incubation of 1 µg of supercoiled pBR322 DNA with 25 units of this enzyme for 1 hour at 74°C. Endonuclease and exonuclease activity were not detected after the incubation of 1 µg of λ DNA or λ-*Hind* III digest with 25 units of this enzyme for 16 hours at 74°C.

Applications : For DNA amplification by PCR

PCR products :

As most PCR products amplified with *TaKaRa Ex Taq* have one A added at the 3'-termini, the obtained PCR products can be directly cloned into a T-vector. Also it is possible to clone the product in blunt-end vectors after blunting and phosphorylation of the ends.

Quality Control Data :

Please see the Certificate of Analysis (CoA) for each lot. You can download the CoA on Takara Bio website.

General reaction mixture for PCR (total 50 µl) :

<i>Premix Taq</i> (<i>Ex Taq</i> Version 2.0)	25 µl
Template	< 500 ng
Primer 1	0.2 - 1.0 µM (final conc.)
Primer 2	0.2 - 1.0 µM (final conc.)
Sterile purified water	up to 50 µl

PCR conditions : Amplification of a 1 kb DNA fragment.

98°C	10 sec] 30 cycles	or	98°C	10 sec] 30 cycles
55°C	30 sec		68°C	1 min		
72°C	1 min					

(Note) Denaturation conditions vary depending on the thermal cycler and tubes used for PCR. Denaturation for 5 - 10 sec at 98°C or 20 - 30 sec at 94°C is recommended.

< Cool Start Method >

The "Cool Start Method" provides more accurate amplification and minimizes amplification of nonspecific bands. This is a simple method that does not require specialized enzymes or additional reagents.

Protocol of Cool Start Method

- 1) Keep all reagents on ice until use.
- 2) Prepare the reaction mixture on ice.*1,2
 - *1 Order of reagent addition does not influence results.
 - *2 Results will not be affected by leaving the mixture on ice for 30 minutes before thermal cycling.
- 3) Set a thermal cycler with the designated program.*3
- 4) Set the tubes in a thermal cycler and start cycling immediately.
 - *3 PCR conditions do not need to be changed for Cool Start.

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