

# Taq DNA Polymerase, Glycerol free

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

Concentration: 5 units/µl

Cat. No.: A104103 500 Units

MADE IN **DENMARK** 

-	Taq DNA Polymerase Glycerol free 5 U/µl	10x 10x Ammonium Standard Buffer, 15 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>		MgCl <sub>2</sub> 25 mM
ID No.	5101500	5100950	5100510	5575801
Cap colour	Black	White Clear		Clear
Content	100 μΙ	1.5 ml	1.5 ml	1.5 ml

### **Key Features**

Ampliqon 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. Ampliqon Taq DNA Polymerase has 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.

Taq DNA Polymerase Glycerol free is ideal for freeze drying and automation.

## **Kit Components**

Ampliqon Taq DNA Polymerase in Storage Buffer, Glycerol free 5 U/ $\mu$ l Taq, 20 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.3, 100 mM KCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM DTT, 0.5% Tween  $^8$  20.

## 10x Ammonium 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<sup>®</sup> 20.

Ammonium in the buffer minimizes the need for optimization of the  $\text{MgCl}_2$  concentration or the annealing temperature for most primer-template systems.

#### 10x Standard Buffer

Tris-HCl pH 8.5, KCl, 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1% Tween<sup>®</sup> 20.

Standard Buffer is the traditional potassium ( $K^+$ ) buffer. Standard Buffer promotes high specificity and careful optimization of primer annealing temperatures and  $Mg^{2+}$  concentrations may be required.

## 25 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>

### **Recommended Storage and Stability**

Long term storage at -20 °C. Product expiry at -20 °C is stated on

Option: Store at +4 °C for up to 6 months.

## **Quality Control**

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

#### **Unit Definition**

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

#### **Protocol**

This protocol serves as a guideline to ensure optimal PCR results when using Taq DNA Polymerase. Optimal reaction conditions such as incubation times, temperatures and amount of template DNA may vary and must be determined individually.

- Thaw Solutions. It is important to thaw all solutions completely (some buffers need to reach room temperature) and mix thoroughly before use to avoid localized concentrations of salts. Keep all components on ice.
- Set up reaction mixtures in an area separate from that used for DNA preparation or product analysis. Work on ice at all times.
- 3. 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 concentration*
10x Buffer	5 μΙ	1x
25 mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	0 μl (0 – 6 μl)	1.5 mM (1.5 – 4.5 mM)
dNTP mix (12.5 mM each)	0.8 μΙ	0.2 mM of each dNTP
Primer A (10 μM)	1 μΙ (0.5 – 5 μΙ)	0.2 μΜ (0.1 – 1.0 μΜ)
Primer B (10 μM)	1 μl (0.5 – 5 μl)	0.2 μΜ (0.1 – 1.0 μΜ)
Taq DNA Pol.	0.2 μl (0.2 – 1 μl)	1 unit (1 – 5 units)
PCR-grade H₂O	Χ μΙ	-
Template DNA	X μl	genomic DNA: 50 ng (10 – 500 ng) plasmid DNA: 0.5 ng (0.1 – 1 ng) bacterial DNA: 5 ng (1 – 10 ng)
TOTAL volume	50 μΙ	- by used conditions in brackets. The final

<sup>\*</sup> Suggested starting conditions; theoretically used conditions in brackets. The final volume can be reduced to 25  $\mu$ l by using half of the volumes suggested in Vol./reaction, eg. 0.1  $\mu$ l Taq instead of 0.2  $\mu$ l Taq.

- 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.
- Add template DNA to the individual tubes containing the master mix.
- Program the thermal cycler according to the manufacturer's instructions.
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- 7. Place the tubes in the thermal cycler and start the reaction.

## Three-step PCR program

Cycles	Duration of cycle	Temperature
1	2 – 5 minutes <sup>a</sup>	95 °C
25 – 35	20 – 30 seconds <sup>b</sup>	95 °C
	20 – 40 seconds <sup>c</sup>	50 – 65 °C
	30 seconds <sup>d</sup>	72 °C
1	5 minutes <sup>e</sup>	72 °C

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>a.</sup> Initial denaturation step (optional).

b. 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

melting of the DNA template by disrupting the hydrogen bonds between complementary bases, yielding single-stranded DNA molecules.

- <sup>c.</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 °C below the  $T_m$  (melting temperature) of the primers used.
- d. 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.
- e- 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.

#### Two-step PCR program

Fast 2-step PCR protocols are available using this link: https://ampligon.com/en/pcr-technology/application-notes/

#### Notes:

■ 15 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> is present in 10x PCR 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 required for best results. For this reason, 25 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> is included in the kit. Table 2 provides the volume of 25 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> to be added to the master mix if a higher MgCl<sub>2</sub> concentration is required.

Table 2. Additional volume (µI) of MgCl<sub>2</sub> per 50 µI reaction

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

 For longer DNA targets more DNA polymerase could be added to the PCR master mix.

#### **Related Products**

Taq DNA Polymerase (500 units) *	Cat. No.
Taq DNA Polymerase 5 U/μl	A110003
with 10x Ammonium Buffer	A111103
• 5x PCR Buffer RED	A111803
Taq DNA Polymerase 5 U/μl, RED	A200003
with 10x Ammonium Buffer	A201103
Taq DNA Polymerase 5 U/μl, glycerol free	A100003
with 10x Ammonium Buffer	A101103
Hot Start DNA Polymerase (500 units) *	Cat. No.
not Start DNA Polymerase (500 units)	Cat. No.
TEMPase Hot Start DNA Polymerase, 5 U/μl	A220003
with 10x Ammonium Buffer	A221103
*Available in kits including one or two buffers (Ammonium Buffer St	andard Buffor

\*Available in kits including one or two buffers (Ammonium Buffer, Standard Buffer or Combination Buffer). All kits include extra 25 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>.

Buffers for DNA polymerases *	Cat. No.
10x Ammonium Buffer, 3 x 1.5 ml	A301103
10x Standard Buffer, 3 x 1.5 ml	A302103
10x Combination Buffer, 3 x 1.5 ml	A303103
5x PCR Buffer RED, 6 x 1,5 ml **	A301810

<sup>\*</sup>Ammonium Buffer, Standard Buffer and Combination Buffer are also available as  ${\rm Mg}^{2^+}$  free buffers, detergent free buffers and  ${\rm Mg}^{2^+}$  and detergent free buffers. \*\*For direct gel loading and visualisation.

Taq 2x Master Mixes (500 x 50 μl reactions) *	Cat. No.
Taq OptiMix Mix Clear 2x Master Mix	A370503
Taq DNA Polymerase 2x Master Mix	A140303
Taq DNA Polymerase 2x Master Mix RED	A180303

<sup>\*</sup>Tag Master Mixes available also in 1.1x variants

Ultrapure dNTPs*	Cat. No.
dNTP Mix 40 mM (2 x 500 μl): 10 mM each dA, dC, dG, dT	A502004
dNTP Set, 100 mM each: 250 μl of each dA, dC, dG and dT	A511104

<sup>\*</sup>Other concentrations and Single dNTPs are available.

Loading Buffers and Ladders	Cat. No.
5x Loading Buffer Red *, 5 x 1 ml	A608104
Iqon PCR Ladder **, 100 – 3000 bp, 1 x 0.5 ml	A610341

<sup>\*</sup> Also available with Blue, Orange or Cyan. \*\* Available in different size ranges.

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