

**T4 Phage  
β-glucosyltransferase  
(T4-BGT)**



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**500 units**      **10,000 U/ml**      **Lot: 0041211**

**RECOMBINANT**    **Store at -20°C**    **Exp: 11/14**

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Supplied in: 20 mM KPO<sub>4</sub>, 200 mM NaCl (pH 7.0 @ 25°C), 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.25 mM dithiothreitol and 50% glycerol.

**Applications:**

- Glucosylation of 5-hydroxymethylcytosine in DNA (1)
- Immunodetection of 5-hydroxymethylcytosine in DNA (3)
- Labeling of 5-hydroxymethylcytosine residues by incorporation of [<sup>3</sup>H]- or [<sup>14</sup>C]-glucose into 5-hmC-containing DNA acceptor after incubation with [<sup>3</sup>H]- or [<sup>14</sup>C]-UDP-Glc (4).
- Detection of 5-hydroxymethylcytosine in DNA by protection from endonuclease cleavage.\*

\* The sensitivities of restriction endonucleases to DNA modifications, including glucosylated hydroxymethylcytosine are catalogued on REBASE (<http://rebase.neb.com/rebase/rebms.html>).

**Reagents Supplied with Enzyme:**

10X NEBuffer 4, 50X UDP-Glucose (2 mM).

**Reaction Conditions:** 1X NEBuffer 4 and 40 μM UDP-Glucose. Incubate at 37°C.

**1X NEBuffer 4:**

50 mM potassium acetate  
20 mM Tris-acetate  
10 mM magnesium acetate  
1 mM dithiothreitol  
pH 7.9 @ 25°C

**Unit Definition:** One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme required to protect 0.5 μg T4gt-DNA against cleavage by MfeI restriction endonuclease.

**Protection Unit Assay Conditions:** 0.5 μg T4gt-DNA, 1X NEBuffer 4 and 40 μM UDP-Glucose in a 30 μl reaction. Incubate for 1 hour at 37°C followed by 10 minutes at 65°C. The extent of protection by T4 -BGT is determined by the addition of 20 μl 1X NEBuffer 4 and 10 units of MfeI. Incubation at 37°C for 30 minutes is followed by analysis on agarose gels.

**Diluent Compatibility:** Diluent Buffer B

300 mM NaCl, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM dithiothreitol, 500 μg/ml BSA and 50% glycerol (pH 7.4 @ 25°C).

**Quality Control Assays**

**Exonuclease Assay:** Incubation of a 50 μl reaction containing 100 units of T4 -BGT with 10 pmol of a mixture of single and double-stranded [<sup>3</sup>H] *E. coli* DNA (10<sup>5</sup> cpm/μg) for 4 hours at 37°C released <0.1% of the total radioactivity.

**16-Hour Incubation:**

A 50 μl reaction containing 1 μg of DNA and 100 units of T4-BGT for 16 hours at 37°C resulted in a DNA pattern free of detectable nuclease degradation as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

**Endonuclease Assay:**

Incubation of a 50 μl reaction containing 100 units of T4-BGT with 1 μg of φX174 DNA for 4 hours at 37°C resulted in <10% conversion to RFI as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

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