

# ET SSB



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50 µg 500 µg/ml Lot: 0031206

RECOMBINANT Store at -20°C Exp: 6/14

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**Source:** An *E. coli* strain that carries the cloned *ssb* gene from a hyperthermophilic organism.

### Applications:

- Improve the processivity of DNA polymerase (1)
- Stabilization and marking of ssDNA structure (2)
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- Improve DNA sequencing through regions with strong secondary structure (6)
- Enhance the RecA activity for ssDNA binding and strand transfer (10,11)

Supplied in: 20 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.5), 200 mM NaCl, 0.5 mM DTT, 1 mM EDTA and 50% glycerol.

**Unit Definition:** Sold by mass of pure protein as determined by OD<sub>280</sub> (A<sub>280</sub> = 0.774 at 1 mg/ml, 1cm).

**Molecular Weight:** 16 kDa.

**Quality Assurance:** ET SSB is purified free of contaminating endonucleases and exonucleases. Each lot is tested for ssDNA binding activity and is visually determined to be > 95% pure on an SDS-polyacrylamide gel.

### Quality Control Assays

**Exonuclease Activity:** Incubation of 20 µg ET SSB for 4 hours at 65°C in 50 µl reaction buffer containing 50 mM potassium acetate, 20 mM tris-acetate, 10 mM magnesium acetate and 1 mM dithiothreitol (pH 7.9 at 25°C), with a mixture of single and double-stranded [<sup>3</sup>H] *E. coli* DNA (200,000 cpm/µg) released < 0.1% of the total radioactivity.

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**Nuclease Activity:** Incubation of 2.5 µg ET SSB for 16 hours at 65°C in 50 µl of reaction buffer containing 50 mM potassium acetate, 20 mM tris-acetate, 10 mM magnesium acetate and 1 mM dithiothreitol (pH 7.9 at 25°C), with 1 µg λ DNA yielded a clear and sharp band on an agarose gel.

**Notes On Use:** ET SSB is active in any polymerase buffer. Add 200 ng of ET SSB per 50 µl reaction.

### References:

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