New England Biolabs
Product Specification

Product Name: M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase
Catalog #: M0253S/L/V
Concentration: 200,000 units/ml
Unit Definition: One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme required to incorporate 1 nmol of dTTP into an acid-insoluble form in 10 minutes at 37°C.
Shelf Life: 24 months
Storage Temp: -20°C
Storage Conditions: 50 mM Tris-HCl, 150 mM NaCl, 1 mM DTT, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.1 % IGEPAL® CA-630, 50 % Glycerol, (pH 7.6 @ 25°C)
Specification Version: PS-M0253S/L v2.0
Effective Date: 12 Feb 2020

Assay Name/Specification (minimum release criteria)

Endonuclease Activity (Nicking) - A 50 µl reaction in M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase Reaction Buffer containing 1 µg of supercoiled PhiX174 DNA and a minimum of 200 units of M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase incubated for 4 hours at 37ºC results in <10% conversion to the nicked form as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

Exonuclease Activity (Radioactivity Release) - A 50 µl reaction in M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase Reaction Buffer containing 1 µg of a mixture of single and double-stranded [³H] E. coli DNA and a minimum of 200 units of M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase incubated for 4 hours at 37°C releases <0.1% of the total radioactivity.

Non-Specific DNase Activity (16 Hour) - A 50 µl reaction in M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase Reaction Buffer containing 1 µg of T3 or T7 DNA in addition to a reaction containing Lambda-HindIII DNA and a minimum of 200 units of M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase incubated for 16 hours at 37°C results in a DNA pattern free of detectable nuclease degradation as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

RNase Activity Assay (2 Hour Digestion) - A 10 µl reaction in NEBuffer 4 containing 40 ng of a 300 base single-stranded RNA and a minimum of 1 µl of M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase incubated for 2 hours at 37°C results in no detectable degradation of the RNA as determined by gel electrophoresis using fluorescent detection.

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