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New England Biolabs
Product Specification

Product Name:	*Taq DNA Polymerase with ThermoPol® Buffer*
Catalog #:	*M0267S/L/X/E/V/G*
Concentration:	*5,000 units/ml*
Unit Definition:	*One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme that will incorporate 15 nmol of dNTP into acid-insoluble material in 30 minutes at 75°C.*
Shelf Life:	*24 months*
Storage Temp:	*-20°C*
Storage Conditions:	*10 mM Tris-HCl , 100 mM KCl , 1 mM DTT , 0.1 mM EDTA , 0.5 % Tween® 20 , 0.5 % IGEPAL® CA-630 , 50 % Glycerol, (pH 7.4 @ 25°C)*
Specification Version:	*PS-M0267S/L/X/E/V/G v3.0*
Effective Date:	*31 Jul 2024*

Assay Name/Specification (minimum release criteria)

Endonuclease Activity (Nicking) - A 50 µl reaction in ThermoPol® Reaction Buffer containing 1 µg of supercoiled PhiX174 DNA and a minimum of 20 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 4 hours at 37°C and 75°C results in <10% conversion to the nicked form as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

Non-Specific DNase Activity (16 Hour) - A 50 µl reaction in NEBuffer 2 containing 1 µg of T3 or T7 DNA in addition to a reaction containing Lambda-HindIII DNA and a minimum of 5 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 16 hours at 37°C results in a DNA pattern free of detectable nuclease degradation as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

PCR Amplification (5.0 kb Lambda DNA) - A 50 µl reaction in ThermoPol® Reaction Buffer in the presence of 200 µM dNTPs and 0.2 µM primers containing 5 ng Lambda DNA with 1.25 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase for 25 cycles of PCR amplification results in the expected 5.0 kb product.

Phosphatase Activity (pNPP) - A 200 µl reaction in 1M Diethanolamine, pH 9.8, 0.5 mM $MgCl_2$ containing 2.5 mM *p*-Nitrophenyl Phosphate (pNPP) and a minimum of 100 units *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 4 hours at 37°C yields <0.0001 unit of alkaline phosphatase activity as determined by spectrophotometric analysis.

qPCR DNA Contamination (*E. coli* Genomic) - A minimum of 5 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase is screened for the presence of *E. coli* genomic DNA using SYBR® Green qPCR with primers specific for the *E. coli* 16S rRNA locus. Results are quantified using a standard curve generated from purified *E. coli* genomic DNA. The measured level of *E. coli* genomic DNA contamination is ≤ 1 *E. coli* genome.

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RNase Activity (Extended 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 *Taq* DNA Polymerase is incubated at 37°C. After incubation for 16 hours, >90% of the substrate RNA remains intact as determined by gel electrophoresis using fluorescent detection.
Single Stranded DNase Activity (FAM-Labeled Oligo) - A 50 µl reaction in ThermoPol® Reaction Buffer containing a 10 nM solution of a fluorescent internal labeled oligonucleotide and a minimum of 25 units of *Taq* DNA Polymerase incubated for 30 minutes at 37°C and 75°C yields <10% degradation as determined by capillary electrophoresis.
Protein Purity (Microfluidic Electrophoresis) - *Taq* DNA Polymerase is ≥97% pure as determined by microfluidic electrophoresis.

Date 31 Jul 2024

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Quality Approver