# T4 DNA Polymerase



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## M0203S



150 units 3,000 U/ml Lot: 0401206 RECOMBINANT Store at -20°C Exp: 6/14

**Description:** T4 DNA Polymerase catalyzes the synthesis of DNA in the  $5' \rightarrow 3'$  direction and requires the presence of template and primer. This enzyme has a  $3' \rightarrow 5'$  exonuclease activity which is much more active than that found in DNA Polymerase I. Unlike *E. coli* DNA Polymerase I, T4 DNA Polymerase does not have a  $5' \rightarrow 3'$  exonuclease function.

**Source:** Purified from a strain of *E. coli* that carries the T4 DNA Polymerase gene.

#### Applications:

- Removal of 3' overhangs to form blunt ends (1,2).
- Fill-in of 5'overhangs fill-in to form blunt ends (1,2).
- Single strand deletion subcloning (3).
- Second strand synthesis in site-directed mutagenesis (4).
- Probe labeling using replacement synthesis (1,2).

Supplied in: 100 mM  $\mathrm{KP0_4}$  (pH 6.5), 1 mM DTT and 50% alycerol.

#### Reagents Supplied with Enzyme:

10X NEBuffer 2, 100X BSA

Reaction Conditions: 1X NEBuffer 2.

Supplement with 100  $\mu g/ml$  BSA and dNTPs (not included).

T4 DNA Polymerase is active in all four NEBuffers and T4 DNA Ligase Reaction Buffer when supplemented with dNTPs and BSA.

Supplement with 100 µg/ml BSA and dNTPs\* (not included in supplied 10X buffer). Incubate at temperature suggested for specific protocol.

\*Refer to specific protocol to determine recommended dNTP concentrations.

1X NEBuffer 2: 50 mM NaCl 10 mM Tris-HCl 10 mM MgCl<sub>a</sub>

10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> 1 mM DTT pH 7.9 @ 25°C

**Unit Definition:** One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme that will incorporate 10 nmol of dNTP into acid insoluble material in 30 minutes at 37°C (5).

**Unit Assay Conditions:** 1X NEBuffer 2, 33 μM dNTPs including [<sup>3</sup>H]-dTTP, 70 μg/ml denatured herring sperm DNA and 50 μg/ml BSA.

Molecular Weight: 112,000 daltons.

Heat Inactivation: 75°C for 20 minutes.

#### **Quality Control Assays**

Endonuclease Activity: Incubation of a 50  $\mu$ I reaction in NEBuffer 2 containing a minimum of 50 units of T4 DNA Polymerase with 1  $\mu$ g of supercoiled  $\phi$ X174 DNA for 4 hours at 37°C results in < 10% conversion to the nicked form as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

### Enzyme Properties

**Activity in NEBuffers:** 

NEBuffer 1 60% NEBuffer 2 100% NEBuffer 3 100% NEBuffer 4 100%

Notes on Use: Protocol for blunting ends by 3' overhang removal and 3' recessed end fill-in: DNA should be dissolved in 1X NEBuffer 1–4 or T4 DNA Ligase Reaction Buffer supplemented with 100 µM dNTPs. Add 1 unit T4 DNA Polymerase per microgram DNA and incubate 15 minutes at 12°C. Stop reaction by adding EDTA to a final concentration of 10 mM and heating to 75°C for 20 minutes (1,2). CAUTION: Elevated temperatures, excessive amounts of enzyme, failure to supplement with dNTPs or long reaction times will result in recessed ends due to the 3'→5' exonuclease activity of the enzyme.

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CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

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#### Companion Products Sold Separately:

NEBuffer 2 #B7002S

6.0 ml

Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA) #B9001S 6.0 ml

Deoxynucleotide Solution Set #N0446S 25 µmol of each

Deoxynucleotide Solution Mix #N0447S 8 µmol of each #N0447L 40 µmol of each

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