

AccuPrime™ Taq DNA Polymerase High Fidelity

Cat. nos.	Size	Conc. 5 U/μL
12346-086	200 rxns	Store at -30°C to -10°C
12346-094	1000 rxns	
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Description

AccuPrime™ Taq DNA Polymerase High Fidelity provides qualified reagents for the high-fidelity amplification of nucleic acid templates by PCR. It includes an enzyme mixture composed of recombinant Taq DNA polymerase, *Pyrococcus* species GB-D polymerase, and Platinum® Taq Antibody.^{1,2} This enzyme blend results in a nine-fold increase in fidelity over Taq alone and is effective over a wide range of target sizes—up to 20 kb with some optimization. Like regular Taq, AccuPrime™ Taq DNA Polymerase High Fidelity has a nontemplate-dependent terminal transferase activity that adds a single deoxyadenosine (A) to the 3' ends of PCR products.

Pyrococcus species GB-D polymerase is a proofreading enzyme that possesses a 3' → 5' exonuclease activity.³ Mixture of this enzyme with Taq DNA polymerase increases fidelity and allows amplification of simple and complex DNA templates over a large range of target sizes. The Platinum® antibody complexes with Taq DNA polymerase and inhibits activity at room temperature. Activity is restored after the initial denaturation step at 94°C, providing an automatic “hot start” PCR.^{4,5}

The thermostable AccuPrime™ protein enhances specific primer-template hybridization during every cycle of PCR. Antibody/AccuPrime™ protein-mediated amplification dramatically improves specificity and provides the most robust PCR for multiplexing and suboptimal primer sets. Two AccuPrime™ PCR buffer mixtures are provided for amplifying specific types of templates. Buffer I is optimized for plasmids, cDNA, and λ DNA. Buffer II is optimized for genomic DNA.

Storage Buffer

20 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0), 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM DTT, 50% (v/v) glycerol, stabilizers.

Unit Definition

One unit incorporates 10 nmol of deoxyribonucleotide into DNA in 30 minutes at 74°C.

Product Use: For research use only.

Not intended for any animal or human therapeutic or diagnostic use.

Contents

Component	Kit Size	
	200 Rxns	1000 Rxns
AccuPrime™ <i>Taq</i> DNA Polymerase High Fidelity	40 µL	200 µL
10X AccuPrime™ PCR Buffer I	1 mL	4 × 1.25 mL
10X AccuPrime™ PCR Buffer II	1 mL	4 × 1.25 mL
Mg SO ₄ [50 mM]	1 mL	1 mL

10X AccuPrime™ PCR Buffer I and II

Buffer I and II differ in their concentration of thermostable AccuPrime™ protein. Their components are:

600 mM Tris-SO₄ (pH 8.9), 180 mM (NH₄)₂SO₄, 20 mM MgSO₄, 2 mM dGTP, 2 mM dATP, 2 mM dTTP, 2 mM dCTP, thermostable AccuPrime™ protein, 10% glycerol.

The supplied PCR Buffer is a 10X concentrate and should be diluted for use.

Protocol Guidelines and Recommendations

- Critical parameters and troubleshooting information are documented in reference 1. Assemble PCR reactions in a DNA-free environment. We recommend use of clean dedicated automatic pipettors and aerosol resistant barrier tips. **Always** keep the control DNA and other templates to be amplified isolated from the other components.
- If PCR efficiency is not optimal, repeat the reaction with different primer concentrations from 100 to 500 nM (final concentration), in 100-nM increments.
- MgSO₄ is included in the 10X AccuPrime™ PCR Buffer at a final concentration of 2 mM, which is sufficient for most targets. For some targets, more Mg²⁺ may be required; use the 50-mM MgSO₄ provided in the kit to prepare a titration from 2 mM to 4 mM (final concentration) in 0.25-mM increments.
- For longer genomic DNA targets (>15 kb), we recommend using 2–2.5 U of AccuPrime™ *Taq* DNA Polymerase High Fidelity and increasing the extension time as specified (1 min per kb).
- Do not denature for more than 30 seconds if target is larger than 12 kb.

Protocol

Use the following protocol as a starting point and guideline when preparing your reactions. Adjust the reaction size as needed. Use Buffer I for plasmids, cDNA, and λ DNA and Buffer II for genomic DNA (up to 20 kb) as indicated.

1. Add the following components to a DNase/RNase-free, thin-walled PCR tube. For multiple reactions, prepare a master mix of common components to minimize reagent loss and enable accurate pipeting.

Component	Template Type	
	Plasmids/cDNA/λ DNA	Genomic DNA
10X AccuPrime™ PCR Buffer I	5 μ l	—
10X AccuPrime™ PCR Buffer II	—	5 μ l
Sense primer (10 μ M)	1 μ l	1 μ l
Anti-sense primer (10 μ M)	1 μ l	1 μ l
Template DNA	0.1 pg–20 ng	10 pg–500 ng
AccuPrime™ <i>Taq</i> High Fidelity	0.2 μ l*	0.2 μ l*
Autoclaved, distilled water	to 50 μ l	to 50 μ l

*0.2 μ l = 1.0 unit, which is sufficient for amplifying most targets. In some cases (e.g., longer targets), more enzyme may be required, up to 2.5 units.

2. Cap the tube, tap gently to mix, and centrifuge briefly to collect the contents.
3. Place the tube in the thermal cycler and run the following program.

Initial denaturation: 94°C for 15 seconds to 2 minutes (do not denature for more than 30 seconds if target is larger than 12 kb)

25–35 cycles of:

Denature: 94°C for 15–30 seconds

Anneal: 52–64°C for 15–30 seconds

Extend: 68°C for 1 minute per kb of PCR product

After cycling, maintain the reaction at 4°C. Samples can be stored at -20°C until use.

4. Analyze the amplification products by agarose gel electrophoresis. We recommend using E-Gel® 1.2% gels and TrackIt™ 100 bp or 1kb Plus DNA ladders (see **Additional Products** on page 4).

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Additional Products

Product	Amount	Catalog no.
10 mM dNTP Mix, PCR Grade	100 μ L	18427-013
10 mM dNTP Mix, PCR Grade	1 mL	18427-088
E-Gel® 1.2% Starter Pak	6 gels plus PowerBase™	G6000-01
E-Gel® 1.2% 18-Pak	18 gels	G5018-01
TrackIt™ 100 bp DNA Ladder	100 applications	10488-058
TrackIt™ 1kb Plus DNA Ladder	100 applications	10488-085

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