

# TA Cloning<sup>®</sup>Kit Dual Promoter (pCR<sup>®</sup>II)

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### **Produce PCR Products**

- 1. Produce PCR products using Taq polymerase and your own protocol. End the PCR reaction with a final 7–10 minute extension step.
- 2. Analyze 10  $\mu$ L of each PCR sample by agarose gel electrophoresis.
- 3. Quantify the amount of DNA for each PCR product.

# Clone into pCR®II

Set up the following 10 µL ligation reaction:

Fresh PCR product (~10 ng)	XμL
5X ExpressLink <sup>™</sup> T4 DNA Ligase Ligase (5 units)	2 µL
pCR®II vector (25 ng/µL)	2 μL
Water to a total volume of	9 µL
ExpressLink™T4 DNA Ligase Ligase (5 units)	1 µL
Final volume	10 µL

Incubate the ligation reaction at room temperature for a minimum of 15 minutes. Longer incubation times increase the cloning efficiency.

## **One Shot® Chemical Transformation**

- Thaw One Shot®cells on ice. Note: SOC medium, and positive control are provided in kits with the One Shot® chemically competent cells.
- 2. Pipet 2  $\mu$ L of each ligation reaction into the cells and gently stir the mixture with a pipette tip to mix.
- **3.** Incubate the vials on ice for 30 minutes.
- Heat shock the cells for 30 seconds at 42°C without shaking. Transfer the vials to ice.
- 5. Add 250  $\mu L$  of S.O.C. medium to each vial.
- 6. Shake the vials at 37°C for 1 hour at 225 rpm.

- Plate 10–200 μL from each transformation vial on an LB plate containing X-gal and 50 μg/mL kanamycin or 100 μg/mL ampicillin. Add IPTG if using TOP10F' cells.
- 8. Incubate the plates overnight at 37°C.

#### **Analyse Positive Clones**

- 1. Pick at least 10 white transformants for plasmid isolation.
- Analyze the plasmid DNA by restriction analysis or sequencing to verify the correct insert and orientation. We recommend using the Pure Link<sup>™</sup> HQ Mini Plasmid Purification Kit for purifying your plasmid DNA.
- **3.** Purify the colony and make a glycerol stock for long-term storage. We recommend that you store a stock of plasmid DNA at -20°C.

#### **Obtaining Support**

A detailed protocol, "TA Cloning<sup>®</sup> Kit Dual Promoter (pCR<sup>®</sup>II ) is available online, go to:

#### www.lifetechnologies.com/support

At the website, you can also :

- Access additional products used with the TA Cloning<sup>®</sup> Kit Dual Promoter pCR<sup>®</sup>II
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- Submit a question directly to Technical Support (techsupport@lifetech.com)
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