

AMV Reverse Transcriptase

Description:

AMV Reverse Transcriptase (AMV RT) is isolated from avian myeloblastosis virus. Molecular weight of $\alpha\beta$ holoenzyme is 157KD. The enzyme is used to synthesize cDNA and sequencing RNA and DNA. AMV RT catalyzes the polymerization of DNA using total RNA or polyA+ RNA. The enzyme possesses an intrinsic RNase H activity for the degradation of RNA within RNA/DNA heterozygote. Activating agent for AMV RT is Mg^{2+} or Mn^{2+} and its optimal reaction temperature is $42^{\circ}C$. The reaction temperature can be $37\sim 41^{\circ}C$ in the case of sodium pyrophosphate. The enzyme is used to synthesize first-strand cDNA up to 10 kb.

Components:

AMV
5 × RT Buffer

Unit Definition:

Unit activity is calculated assuming a specific enzyme activity of 350,000 units per mg protein. Protein is determined by a modification of the Lowry method, using BSA as a standard.

One unit of M-MLV incorporates 1 nmol dTTP into acid-precipitable material in 10 minutes at $37^{\circ}C$, using poly(A) oligo(dT)₁₂₋₁₈ as template primer.

Buffer component:

Storage Buffer:	5 × RT Buffer
20mM Tris-HCl (pH7.5)	250mM Tris-HCl(pH8.3)
1mM DTT	375mM KCl
0.01%(v/v) Nonidet-P40	15mM $MgCl_2$
0.1mM Na_2EDTA	50mM DTT
0.1M NaCl	
50%(v/v) glycerol	

Quality Control Assays:

This product has passed the following quality control assays: SDS-polycarylamide gel analysis for purity; yield and length of cDNA product; functional absence of DNA endonuclease. Store the 5 × First Strand Buffer at $-20^{\circ}C$. Thaw the solutions at room temperature just prior to use and refreeze immediately. The enclosed buffers were assayed with the enzyme and met quality control specifications.

Reaction volume:

components	volume
5×RT Buffer	4 μ l
10mM dNTPs (10mM)	1 μ l
Oligod (T) ₁₂₋₁₈ (10M)	1 μ l
mRNA/total RNA	5ng-500ng/50ng-5 μ g
AMV (30U/ μ l)	1 μ l
DEPC- H_2O	to 20 μ l

Reaction condition: $42^{\circ}C$, 60min, $95^{\circ}C$, 5min, $4^{\circ}C$, 5min.

cDNA can be stored at $-20^{\circ}C$ or used in PCR directly.