



# **SMART RT-PCR Kit**

Cat. No.	size
E0805-01	25 reactions
E0805-02	100 reactions

#### smART Unit Definition:

One unit incorporates 1 nmol of TTP into acid precipitable material in 10 min at 37°C using poly(A): oligo dT as a template: primer (1).

Storage Conditions: Store at -20°C.

Concentration: 200 U/µl

## **Quality Control:**

All preparations are assayed for contaminating endonucleases, exonucleases, nonspecific RNases, single- and double-stranded DNase activities.

#### References:

1. Houts, G.E., Masakau, M., Ellis, C., Beard, D. and Beard, J.W. (1979) J. Virol. 29, 517-522.

smART RT-PCR Kit is a complete system for efficient synthesis of first strand cDNA and PCR. Kit contains smART Reverse Transcriptase with reduced RNase H activity, increased thermostability and processivity. The second strand synthesis (PCR) is performed with recommended OptiTaq DNA Polymerase.

#### **Description:**

- Reduced RNase H activity.
- Increased thermal stability in the range of 37°C to 65°C.
- Downstream application: PCR.
- Ideal for cloning (high fidelity of OptiTaq) and diagnostic purposes targets up to 7 kb.

COMPONENT:	E0805-01	E0805-02
smART (200 U/μl)	25 μΙ	100 μΙ
5 x cDNA Buffer	100 μΙ	400 μΙ
0.1 M DTT	50 μΙ	200 μΙ
Oligo (dT) <sub>20</sub> (50 μM)	25 μΙ	100 μΙ
Random hexamers (200 ng/μl)	25 μΙ	100 μΙ
10 mM dNTPs Mix	25 μΙ	100 μΙ
RNase Inhibitor (50 U/μl)	12.5 μΙ	50 μΙ
OptiTaq DNA Polymerase (2.5 U/μl)	25 μΙ	100 μΙ
10 x Pol Buffer C with MgCl <sub>2</sub>	125 μΙ	500 μl
RNase-free Water	1 ml	4 x 1 ml

#### I First strand cDNA synthesis:

- 1. Place 5 x cDNA Buffer at room temperature, thaw and vortex gently. Visible white precipitate will dissolve and clear buffer is ready for use.
- 2. Assambly reaction in RNase-free tube as follows:

Component:	Amount:	
RNA (10 ng-5 μg)	xμl	
primer*	1 μΙ	
10 mM dNTP Mix	1 μΙ	
RNase-free Water	to 12.5 μl	

<sup>\*50</sup>  $\mu$ M Oligo(dT)<sub>20</sub>, 200 ng/ $\mu$ l random hexamer primer or 10  $\mu$ M reverse gene specific primer.

- 3. Optional. If GC-rich or structured RNA template is used, mix gently, centrifuge briefly and incubate 5 min at 65°C then chill on ice.
- 4. Add the following components to the reaction tube in the indicated order:

Component:	Amount:
5 x cDNA Buffer	4 μΙ
DTT 0.1 M	2 μΙ
RNase Inhibitor 50 $U/\mu I$	0.5 μΙ
smART (200 U/μl)	1 μΙ
Total volume	20 μΙ

5. Transfer the sample to preheated to appropriate temperature thermal cycler. Incubate as follows:

Oligo(dT)<sub>20</sub> primed: 30-60 min at 50°C (or 37-65°C)

Gene specific primed: 30-60 min at 50°C (or 37-65°C)

Random hexamer primed: 25°C for 10 min, followed

by 20-50 min at 50°C (or 37-65°C).

### NOTE

 $50^{\circ}\text{C}$  is suitable temperature for most targets. For G-C rich RNA templates or with complex secondary structure temperature can be increased to  $65^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

- 6. Terminate the reaction by incubating at 85°C for 5 min.
- 7. cDNA is ready for PCR, can be used immediately or stored at  $-20^{\circ}$ C. Use 2-5  $\mu$ l for 50  $\mu$ l PCR or qPCR.

#### **II PCR**

# PCR with OptiTaq DNA Polymerase:

The final magnesium concentration is 1.5 mM in reaction and in some cases there is a need of titration of magnesium to obtain best results.

1. Mix as follows all reagents in 0.2-0.5 ml tube:

Component:	Amount:
cDNA template	2-5 μΙ
10 x Pol Buffer C	5 μΙ
dNTPs Mix 10 mM each	1 μΙ
10 μM sense primer	1 μΙ
10 μM reverse primer	1 μΙ
OptiTaq DNA Polymerase 2.5 U/μl	1 μΙ
RNase-free Water	to 50 μl
	50 μΙ

- 2. Mix gently by pipeting.
- 3. Incubate at 94°C for 3 min, then perform 20-40 cycles of PCR with optimized conditions for your sample (1 min/kb extension time at 68-72°C).
- 4. Analyze 10-20  $\mu$ l of PCR sample by agarose ge electrophoresis.