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# **Direct Multiplex Probe qPCR Mix Plus U**

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## Components

| Component  | P2801 | P2802    | P2803 | P2804  |
|--|-------|----------|-------|--------|
| 2× Direct Multiplex Probe qPCR Mix Plus U <sup>a</sup> | 1 ml  | 1 ml × 5 | 50 ml | 100 ml |
| Nuclease-free Water                                    | 1 ml  | 1 ml × 5 | -     | -      |

a contains Hotstart Tag DNA Polymerase, dNTP/dUTP mix, UDG and reaction buffer.

# Storage

This reagent can be stored for 2 months at 4°C. For longer storage, it should be kept at -20°C.

# Description

Direct Multiplex Probe qPCR Mix Plus U is a 2× concentrated premix for unpurified sample real-time quantitative PCR with probe method. It requires only the addition of primer, probe and sample, such as blood, swab and tissue homogenate, and the qPCR can be performed simply and directly. This product contains antibody technology modified Hotstart Taq DNA polymerase. Combined with GDSBio's special real-time PCR Buffer, it not only efficiently lyses cells to release DNA, but also has a strong tolerance to many inhibitors, allowing multi-probe qPCR reaction. This reagent introduced dUTP/UDG anti-contamination system, which can remove PCR products containing dUTP before PCR reaction, effectively avoid the influence of cross contamination of amplification products on quantification. This product is convenient for preparation of IVD molecular diagnostic kit. The target gene quantification is accurate, reliable and reproducible. This product can be used with TaqMan and other fluorescent probes, and is perfectly compatible with common quantitative PCR instruments, such as ABI, Roche, Bio-rad, etc.

## **Applications**

• Probe gene expression analysis with unpurified sample

#### **Features**

- This kit is suitable for fluorescence quantification by probe method
- This kit is compatible with many real-time systems
- · Hot-start technology brings high specificity and reproducible amplification
- · Direct PCR technology helps save time and cost

#### Table of Instrument Guide

| Instrument   | Conc. of ROX      |
|--|-------------------|
| ABI PRISM 7000/ PRISM 7700/ 7300/ 7900HT/ Step One/ Step | 500 nM (High ROX) |
| One Plus/ GeneAmp 5700                                   |                   |

| ABI 7500/ 7500 Fast/ ViiA 7/ QuantStudio 6/7/12K Flex; Agilent | 50 nM (Low ROX) |
|--|-----------------|
| Stratagene Mx3000P/ Mx3005P/ Mx4000                            |                 |
| Bio-Rad CFX96/ CFX384/ iQ/ iQ5; MJ Research Opticon 2/         | No ROX          |
| Chromo 4; Roche LightCycler 480/ 96; Corbett Rotor Gene G/ Q/  |                 |
| 3000/ 6000; Thermo PikoReal 96; Eppendorf MasterCycler ep      |                 |
| realplex; Cepheid Smart Cycler                                 |                 |

## **Protocol**

This protocol is intended for use without ROX reference dye. Customers need to prepare ROX Reference Dye according to the table "Table of Instrument Guide", if the instrument needs them.

# 1. Preparation of reaction solution

Add the following reagents to the proper thermal cycler reaction tube or plate on ice:

| Component                                 | Volume   | Final concentration |
|---|----------|---------------------|
| 2× Direct Multiplex Probe qPCR Mix Plus U | 15 µl    | 1×                  |
| Forward Primer (10µM)                     | 0.6 µl   | 0.2 μΜ              |
| Reverse Primer (10µM)                     | 0.6 µl   | 0.2 μΜ              |
| Probe (10µM)                              | 0.3 µl   | 0.1 μΜ              |
| Sample                                    | 5 μl     | _                   |
| Water, nuclease-free                      | to 30 µl | _                   |

## Note:

- Prepare according to the recommended volume of each instrument.
- The optimal range for primers is 0.1~1.0 µM. In general, the primers with a final concentration of 0.2 µM work well.
- The concentration of the probe used is related to the Real Time PCR amplification instrument, probe species and types of fluorescent label. Please refer to the instructions when using it. Typically, the final concentration is between 0.1 and 0.5 µM.
- The amount of samples varies with different types. Please adjust it as required.
- Users can increase the amount of the the qPCR Mix when using low-copy gene as template.

# 2. Setup the plate

Transfer the reaction mixture to PCR tubes/plates.

Cap or seal the reaction tubes/plates then centrifuge briefly to spin down the contents and eliminate any air bubbles.

# 3. Perform qPCR using the following thermal cycling condition

Set the thermal cycling conditions using default PCR thermal cycling conditions specified in the following tables according to the instrument cycling parameters of the specific primers.

# 2-step PCR mode:

| Stage             | Temperature | Time  | Cycle |
|-------------------|-------------|-------|-------|
| UDG Pre-treatment | 37°C        | 2 min | 1     |



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| Initial Denaturation   | 95°C | 2 min  | 1  |
|------------------------|------|--------|----|
| Denaturation           | 95°C | 10 sec | 40 |
| Annealing & Extension* | 60°C | 30 sec |    |

\*The instrument do signal acquisition at the Annealing & Extension stage, and some instruments require more than 30 seconds, such as ABI 7300 for at least 31 seconds and ABI 7500 for at least 34 seconds.

If the reaction performs not well, it is recommended to adopt a 3-step amplification procedure.

# Standard 3-step PCR mode:

| Stage                | Temperature | Time   | Cycle |
|----------------------|-------------|--------|-------|
| UDG Pre-treatment    | 37°C        | 2 min  | 1     |
| Initial Denaturation | 95°C        | 2 min  | 1     |
| Denaturation         | 95°C        | 10 sec |       |
| Annealing*           | 60°C        | 15 sec | 40    |
| Extension            | 72°C        | 20 sec |       |

<sup>\*</sup>The instrument do signal acquisition at this stage. The usual annealing temperature is 55-65 °C. The annealing temperature is generally set to Tm-5 °C of the primer used, generally not less than 55 °C. (melting temperature, Tm). Set the time of annealing according to the instrument guide.

# 4. Analyze the results

Data analysis varies depending on the instrument used. Please refer to your instrument user guide for information.

## **Important Notes**

# **Assay Design**

We recommend using previously validated assays or using dedicated qPCR design software such as Beacon Designer 7 when designing Probe-based assays (www.PremierBiosoft.com).

Lyophilized primers and probes should be resuspended in 10 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA. DNA kept frozen in a nuclease-free environment should be stable for years. We find it convenient to initially prepare a 100 µM freezer stock (which should be thawed relatively infrequently).

Optimal primer concentration should be determined empirically. To maximize the sensitivity of the assay, use the lowest concentration of primers that can be used without compromising the efficiency of the qPCR reaction. The optimal primer concentration range is 100-400 nM.

Optimal probe concentration should be determined empirically. The optimal probe concentration range has generally been found to be 0.1-0.5  $\mu$ M.

## **Template**

Genomic DNA, plasmid DNA, or cDNA can be used as template. For optimal quantitative results use up to 20ng of genomic DNA or plasmid DNA per 20 µl reaction (for smaller volumes, the amount of template should be decreased equivalently). Using greater amounts of template may reduce the maximum fluorescence signal due to binding of the probe to the template. For two-step RT-PCR, use either undiluted or diluted cDNA generated from up to 1µg of total RNA. The volume of the cDNA added (from the RT reaction) should not exceed 10% of the final PCR volume (e.g., for a 20

μl qPCR reaction, use up to 2.0 μl of undiluted cDNA).

# **Primers**

Careful primer design and purification (HPLC-purified primers are recommended) is particularly important in order to minimize loss in sensitivity due to the production of nonspecific amplification products in qPCR. This effect becomes more prominent at low target concentrations. To maximize the sensitivity of the assay, use the lowest concentration of primers that can be used without compromising the efficiency of the PCR reaction (0.1-1.0 µM of each primer). For optimal results, design primers that amplify PCR products 50-150 bp in length. The primers should exhibit a melting temperature (Tm) of approximately 60°C. We recommend designing primers specifically for amplification of cDNA derived from mRNA. This prevents amplification of contaminating genomic DNA and inaccurate quantification of mRNA.

## Magnesium chloride

The concentration of MgCl<sub>2</sub> affects the binding dynamics of primers and probes to template DNA. The higher the final MgCl<sub>2</sub> concentration in the PCR reaction, the greater the binding affinity of the primers and probe for target DNA. 2× Direct Multiplex Probe qPCR Mix Plus U provides MgCl<sub>2</sub> at a final concentration which is suitable for most targets.

# Guidelines for preventing contamination of qPCR reaction

During qPCR more than 10 million copies of template DNA are generated. Therefore, care must be taken to avoid contamination with other templates and amplicons that may be present in the laboratory environment. General recommendations to lower the risk of contamination are as follows:

- Prepare your DNA sample, set up the qPCR mixture, perform thermal cycling and analyze PCR products in separate areas.
- Set up a PCR mixtures in a laminar flow cabinet equipped with an UV lamp.
- Wear fresh gloves for DNA purification and reaction set up.
- Use reagent containers dedicated for PCR. Use positive displacement pipettes, or use pipette tips with aerosol filters to prepare DNA samples and perform PCR set up.
- Always perform "no template control" (NTC) reactions to check for contamination

## **Quality Control**

The absence of endodeoxyribonucleases, exodeoxyribonucl- eases and ribonucleases is confirmed by appropriate quality tests. Functionally tested in amplification of a single-copy gene from human genomic DNA.

## **Product Use Limitations**

This product is sold exclusively for research purposes and in vitro use. Neither the product, nor any individual components, was tested for use in diagnostic applications or for drug development, nor is it suitable for administration to humans or animals. Please refer to the MSDS, available upon request.