



MycoTrack™ Mycoplasma PCR Detection Kit

Cat. No. NP100050 Storage Temperature -20°C

The *MycoTrackTM* Mycoplasma detection kit utilizes polymerase chain reaction (PCR), which is the method of choice for highest sensitivity in the detection of *Mycoplasma* contamination in cell cultures and other cell culture derived biologics. The primer set is specific to the highly conserved 16S rRNA coding region in the *Mycoplasma* genome. This allows for the detection of *M. orale*, *M. hyorhinis*, *M. arginini*, *M. fermentans*, *Acholeplasma laidlawii*, and *M. hominis*, usually encountered as contaminants in cell cultures. Furthermore, this kit can detect *M. pneumoniae*, *M. salivarium*, *M. synoviae* and *Ureaplasma* species. Eukaryotic and bacterial DNA are not amplified by the *MycoTrackTM* Mycoplasma Detection kit.

1. Characteristics

- Detecting almost all kinds of mycoplasma species.
- Providing validity of test results by internal control.
- Ready-to-use, optimized PCR premix type.

2. Kit Contents

Matreial Provided	Quantity	
	NP100050	
2xPCR Premix	250µl	
Primer Mix	50µl	
Positive Control DNA	13µl	
DNase Free Water	150µl	

3. Storage/Stability Conditions

Upon receipt, store at -20°C.

Note:

- 1) Repeat thawing reduces quality of product.
- 2) If frequent freeze and thaw is needed, aliquot the products and use in order

4. Expiration Date: 12 months

Note: Please check the label on the product for details.

5. Mycoplasma Detection Protocols

I. Preparation of Sample (Template)

- 1) Thaw the kit components at room temperature. Spin them briefly in a microcentrifuge to collect the material in the bottom of the tube.
- Transfer 1.2ml of cell culture supernatant to a microcentrifuge tube.
- 3) Spin at 1,000rpm for 5minutes to pellet cellular debris.
- 4) Transfer 1ml of supernatant to a fresh tube.
- Centrifuge the tube at 13,000rpm for 10 minutes to pellet mycoplasma.
- Discard supernatant and wash the pellet once with 1ml of PBS. Repeat step 5).
- Discard supernatant and add 50µl DNase free water or TE buffer to the pellet.
- 8) Heat the samples at 98°C for 10min, and vortex for 5~10 sec. Then, centrifuge for 5 min at 12,000 rpm with a microcentrifuge. (*Caution!! Be careful when you heat the* sample at 98°C. Heating it in PCR machine with heating cover is recommended.)
- 9) Transfer the heated supernatant to a fresh tube. This supernatant will be used as the template in the PCR.

II. PCR reaction

 Prepare the set of reactions listed in the following table. (*Caution!! Don't vigorous vortexing.*)

Reaction components	Sample Reaction	Positive Reaction	Negative Reaction
2XPCR Premix	10µl	10µl	10µl
Primer mix	2µl	2µl	2µl
Sample	3~5µl	-	-
Positive control DNA	-	1µl	-
DNase Free Water	Up to 20µl		
Final Volume	20µl	20µl	20µl

11) Perform PCR reaction as in the following:

Temperature	Time	Cycle
95°C	5 min	1 cycle
95°C	30 sec	
55°C	30 sec	35 cycles
72°C	30 sec	

12) Apply 5~10µl each of PCR products to the gel electrophoresis.

III. <u>Result</u>

When Mycoplasma contamination exists, a band with around 250-300bp appears. An internal DNA band with around 700bp indicates the correct performance of the PCR reaction.



Note:

- It is recommended to perform one negative control without sample and one positive control reaction by adding 1µl of Mycoplasma control DNA
- If the PCR reaction is inhibited by high FBS concentration, the use of genomic DNA as a template may be helpful.
- 3) PCR inhibiting substances may accumulate in the medium of hybridoma cells. In this case, the use of diluted samples or genomic DNA as a template may be helpful.