

| Catalog No.:  | D152                  |
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| Product Name: | Pfu 2X PCR Master Mix |
| Size:         | 5000 µl               |

**Description:** Pfu 2X PCR Master Mix is a preoptimized PCR master mix. It contains the high fidelity *Pfu DNA polymerase* in an enhanced PCR reaction buffer in a 2X format. Users only need to add template, primers and H<sub>2</sub>O for most PCR experiments. The **Pfu 2X PCR Master Mix** is in green color, containing two non-toxic, inert tracking dyes, blue and yellow, which makes it easy to visualize in every PCR steps, including PCR setup and direct loading of the PCR products for electrophoresis.

*Pfu* DNA Polymerase is a thermostable DNA polymerase from Pyrococcus furiosus. The enzyme catalyzes the template-dependent polymerization of nucleotides into duplex DNA in the 5'->3' direction. Pfu DNA Polymerase also exhibits 3'->5' exonuclease activity, that enables the polymerase to correct nucleotide incorporation errors (proofreading). It has no 5'->3' exonuclease activity. The Pfu DNA polymerase used in this master mix is purified from an *E. coli* strain expressing a *Pfu* DNA Polymerase gene of Pyrococcus furiosus. *Pfu* DNA Polymerase can be used for PCR experiments that require high-fidelity DNA synthesis. The PCR products are blunt ended.

**Quality Testing: Pfu 2X PCR Master Mix** is a proprietary formulation optimized for robust performance in PCR. All lots of **Pfu 2X PCR Master Mix** have been tested for consistency in PCR experiments using different primers and templates.

**Storage:**  $4^{\circ}C$  for up to one month, or  $-20^{\circ}C$  for long term storage.

**Unit Definition:** One unit incorporates 10nmoles of dNTPs into acid-insoluble material in 30 minutes at  $72^{\circ}$ C.

**\*Magnesium Chloride:** In general, 2.0mM MgCl<sub>2</sub> is sufficient for most of the PCR experiments. However, this may vary with different conditions and primer sets. Some primers/templates may require adjustments for MgCl<sub>2</sub> concentration, which can be achieved as shown below:

| Final MgCl <sub>2</sub> conc. | Additional 25mM MgCl <sub>2</sub><br>per 50µl reaction |  |
|-------------------------------|--|--|
| 2.0mM                         |  |  |
| 2.5mM                         | 1.0µl  |  |
| 3.0mM                         | 2.0µl  |  |

## **Protocol:**

1. Setup PCR for a total 50µl reaction volume:

| Component      | Volume   | Final conc. |
|----------------|----------|-------------|
| Pfu 2X Mix     | 25µl     | 1X          |
| Forward Primer | variable | 0.1-1µM     |
| Reverse Primer | variable | 0.1-1µM     |
| Template DNA   | variable | 10 pg-1µg   |
| Water          | to 50µl  | _           |

## 2. Perform PCR using the following cycles:

| Step             | Temp.   | Duration | Cycles |
|------------------|---------|----------|--------|
| Initial denature | 95°C    | 3min     | 1      |
| Denature         | 95°C    | 30sec    |        |
| Anneal           | 50-68°C | 30sec    | 25-36  |
| Extension        | 72°C    | 60sec/kb |        |
| Final Extension  | 72°C    | 10min    | 1      |
| Storage          | 4°C     | Hold     |        |

## 3. Technical notes and optimization:

- a) For more robust amplification, add addition Pfu DNA polymerase as needed in 0.5 µl increments.
- b) Template DNA needed: Genomic: 50-250ng; Plasmid: 1pg-10ng; Viral DNA: 1pg-10ng.
- c) For optimization of PCR results, adjust annealing temperature and  $Mg_2^+$  as needed.

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