

Description:

MMLV Reverse Transcriptase, encoded by Moloney Murine Leukemia Virus (MMLV RT) is an RNA-dependent DNA polymerase that synthesizes the cDNA first strand from a single-stranded RNA template to which a primer has been hybridized. MMLV RT will also extend primers hybridized to single-stranded DNA. Second strand cDNA synthesis can be achieved from some mRNA templates without an additional DNA polymerase.

Applications:

- RT PCR
- Synthesis of cDNA
- mRNA 5'-end Mapping by Primer Extension Analysis
- End-labeling of DNA
- Dideoxynucleotide Sequencing

Concentration: 200 u/μl

Storage Buffer: 200 mM potassium phosphate (pH 7.2), 0.2% Triton X-100, 2 mM DTT and 50% glycerol

Reaction Buffer 5X: 250 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.3), 375 mM KCl, 15 mM MgCl₂ and 50 mM DTT

Unit definition: One unit of the enzyme incorporates 1 nmol dTTP into acid-precipitable material in 10 minutes at 37°C, using poly(A) oligo dT as a template primer.

Transportation: on blue ice

Storage: at -20°C for 24 months

Quality control:

Endonuclease Activity: 1 μg of Type 1 supercoiled plasmid DNA is incubated with 500 units of enzyme in 1X reaction buffer for one hour at 37°C. The supercoiled DNA is visualized on an ethidium bromide-stained agarose gel to verify absence of nicking or cutting.

Nuclease Activity: 50 ng of radio labelled DNA or RNA is incubated with 200 units of enzyme in 1X reaction buffer for one hour at 37°C, resulting in <1% release for both DNase and RNase.

Purity: >90% as judged by SDS-polyacrylamide gels with blue staining. MMLV RT is free of detectable RNase, and DNase (exo- and endonuclease) activities.

Usage:

Standard Protocol:

We recommend to prepare 2 Mixes

Mix I

Component	Amount / conc.
a) Total RNA	1-5 µg
or	
b) PolyA RNA	50-500 ng
c. Strand-specific primer	10 pM
or	
d. oligo dT / random primer for each µg of RNA	up to 8 µl
sterile Water	up to 8 µl
Incubation	Temperature
10 min	70 °C
10 - 15 min (for c. specific primers)	room temperature
or	
5 min (for d. oligo dT / random primer)	place on ice

Mix II

Component	Amount / conc.
5X reaction buffer	4 µl
dNTP mix (10 mM of each = 40 mM)	1 µl
sterile Water	up to 8 µl
optional: RNAsin	20-40 units
MMLV Reversease (200 u/µl)	200 units
sterile water	up to 20 µl

combine Mix I and Mix II and gently vortex

Step	Temperature
30 - 115 min ^{1.)}	37 - 55°C ^{2.)}
10 min (Inactivation of enzyme)	65-70°C

^{1.)} 30 min for cDNA with 500 bp; 115 min for 1,5 kb

^{2.)} depends on the RNA: Higher temperatures (up to 55 °C) for higher structured RNA; Try to adjust the pH to 8.8

Order Information

Prod. No.	Description	Quantity
1905-100	Reverse M-MuLV RT	10000 u
1905-250	Reverse M-MuLV RT	50000 u