VeriFi™ Mix Red

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Product description:

VeriFi™ Mix Red is a convenient high fidelity 2x mix designed for PCR applications where greater sequence accuracy is required, together with improved PCR success rates of long and challenging templates. The inclusion of a red dye enables direct loading and tracking during agarose gel electrophoresis.

VeriFi™ Mix Red contains the engineered and highly processive VeriFi™ Polymerase, developed for fast and versatile high fidelity PCR. The enzyme is derived from Pfu DNA polymerase for its 3'-5' exonuclease (proofreading) activity. Several proprietary mutations significantly improve DNA binding and processivity, resulting in shorter extension times (10-30 s/kb), higher yields and the ability to amplify longer and more difficult targets, including eukaryotic genomic templates in excess of 17.5 kb.

The high accuracy and enhanced 3'-5' exonuclease activity of VeriFi™ Polymerase result in fidelity that is approximately 100 times higher than Taq DNA polymerase. The enzyme is ideally suited to applications where greater accuracy is required, such as cloning, site-directed mutagenesis and sequencing. PCR products generated with this range of products are blunt ended.

VeriFi™ Mix Red uses an advanced buffer system including dNTPs, Mg and enhancers, enabling high fidelity PCR of a wide range of targets and fragment sizes with minimal or no optimisation required.

Component	100 x 50 μL rxns	500 x 50 μL rxns
2x VeriFi™ Mix Red	2 x 1.25 mL	10 x 1.25 mL

Shipping and storage

On arrival the kit should be stored between -30 °C and -15 °C. If stored correctly the kit will retain full activity for 12 months. The kit can be stored at 4 °C for 1 month.

Limitations of product use

The product may be used for in vitro research purposes only.

Technical support

Help and support is available on our website at https://pcrbio.com/resources/ including answers to frequently asked technical questions. For technical support and troubleshooting you can submit a technical enquiry online, or alternatively email technical@pcrbio.com with the following information:

- Amplicon size
- Reaction setup
- Cvcling conditions
- Screen grabs of gel images

Important considerations

2x VeriFi™ Mix Red: The 2x mix contains VeriFi™ Polymerase, 6 mM MgCl₂, 2 mM dNTPs, enhancers, stabilizers and a red dye for tracking during agarose electrophoresis. It is not recommended to add further PCR enhancers or MgCl₂ to the reaction. The mix composition has been optimised to maximise PCR success rates.

Primers: Primers should have a predicted melting temperature of around 60 $^{\circ}$ C, using default Primer 3 settings (http://bioinfo.ut.ee/primer3/). The final primer concentration in the reaction should be between 0.2 μ M and 0.6 μ M.

Denaturation: Denaturation should be performed at 95 °C. However, if the presence of high GC regions results in low yields, increasing the melting temperature to 98-100 °C can improve the amount of product.

Annealing: We recommend performing a temperature gradient to experimentally determine the optimal annealing temperature. Alternatively, we recommend a 60 °C annealing temperature then increase in 2 °C increments if non-specific products are present.

Extension: Optimal extension is achieved at 72 °C. The optimal extension time is dependent on amplicon length and complexity of template. 30 seconds per kilobase (kb) is recommended for most applications however shorter extension times of between 10 and 30 seconds per kb are possible. Two-step cycling protocols may also be used with combined annealing and extension at 68-75 °C.

Fast cycling: If using faster extension times, care must be taken to prevent loading too much template DNA. If non-specific bands are visible after amplification, the amount of template DNA should be decreased.

Agarose gel electrophoresis dye migration: The 2x mix contains a red dye for tracking during agarose gel electrophoresis. In a 2% agarose TAE gel the dye migrates at a rate equivalent to 350 bp of DNA. In a 1% agarose TAE gel the dye migration rate is equivalent to 600 bp of DNA.

Reaction setup

1. Prepare a master mix on ice based on the following table:

Reagent	25 μL reaction	50 μL reaction	Final concentration	Notes
2x VeriFi™ Mix Red	12.5 μL	25.0 μL	1x	
Forward primer (10 µM)		2.0 μL	400 nM	See above for optimal
Reverse primer (10 µM)		2.0 μL	400 nM	primer design
Template DNA	<100 ng genomic DNA <5 ng less complex DNA	<200 ng genomic DNA <10 ng less complex DNA	variable	
PCR grade dH₂O		Up to 50 µL final volume		

2. Cycle using conditions based on the following table:

Cycles	Temperature	Time	Notes
1	95 °C	1 min	Initial denaturation
25-35	95 °C 60 °C to 75 °C 72 °C	15 seconds 15 seconds 10-30 seconds/kb	Denaturation (see above for high GC templates) Anneal Extension (see above for optimal extension time and fast cycling considerations)