

# **Certificate of Analysis**

# MAX Efficiency <sup>®</sup> DH5α <sup>¬¬</sup> Competent Cells

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#### **Transformation Efficiency**

100  $\mu$ l of competent cells are transformed with 50 pg of supercoiled pUC19 plasmid DNA (non–saturating conditions). Test transformations are performed on a minimum of 3 vials per lot. Transformed cultures are plated on LB plates containing 100  $\mu$ g/ml ampicillin and incubated overnight at 37°C.

Transformation efficiency must be greater than  $1.0 \times 10^9$  cfu/µg pUC19.

#### **Antibiotic Sensitivity**

Cells must exhibit growth on LB medium plates.

Untransformed cells must show no growth on LB plates containing 100  $\mu$ g/ml ampicillin, indicating the absence of any ampicillin resistance markers.

Untransformed cells must show no growth on LB plates containing 50 µg/ml kanamycin, indicating the absence of any kanamycin resistance markers.

Untransformed cells must show no growth on LB plates containing 15  $\mu$ g/ml chloramphenicol, indicating the absence of any chloramphenicol resistance markers.

Untransformed cells must show no growth on LB plates containing 50 µg/ml Zeocin <sup>™</sup>, indicating the absence of any Zeocin <sup>™</sup> resistance markers.

Untransformed cells must show no growth on LB plates containing 15  $\mu$ g/ml tetracycline, indicating the absence of any tetracycline resistance markers.

Untransformed cells must show growth of no more than 5 colonies on LB plates containing 100 µg/ml streptomycin, indicating the absence of streptomycin resistance markers and a low rate of spontaneous mutation.

#### **Growth On Minimal Media**

Cells must exhibit growth on 2B minimal medium plates, indicating the absence of any auxotrophic markers.

#### Lac Phenotype

Untransformed cells must exhibit growth of white colonies on LB plates containing 400  $\mu$ g/ml X–Gal and 1 mM IPTG, indicating a Lac– phenotype.

# **Gal Phenotype**

Cells must exhibit growth of bright red colonies on MacConkey galactose plates, indicating a Gal<sup>+</sup> phenotype.

# **RecA Phenotype**

Cells must exhibit inhibited growth on LB medium plates containing 8 µg/ml nitrofurantoin, indicating a RecA- phenotype.

# Absence of Bacteriophage

To verify the absence of phage contamination, 0.5–1.0 ml of DH5 $\alpha^{TM}$  competent cells are added to LB top agar and poured over LB plates. After overnight incubation at 37°C, no plaques should be detected.

# Results

Product meets all specifications.

This product is covered by U.S. Patent No. 4,981,797 and foreign equivalents.

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