## **INSTRUCTIONS**



# PageRuler<sup>TM</sup> Low Range Unstained Protein Ladder

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### Number Description

**PageRuler Low Range Unstained Protein Ladder,** 2 × 250µL

**Storage Buffer:** 62.5mM Tris•H<sub>3</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> (pH 7.5 at 25°C), 1mM EDTA, 2% (w/v) SDS, 100mM DTT, 1mM NaN<sub>3</sub>, 0.01% (w/v) bromophenol blue and 33% (v/v) glycerol.

**Storage:** Upon receipt store at -20°C. Product with an ice pack.

#### Introduction

The Thermo Scientific PageRuler Low Range Unstained Protein Ladders are a mixture of seven recombinant proteins ranging from 5kDa to 100kDa and a synthetic peptide at 3.4kDa. This unstained ladder can be detected by coomassie or silver stains or in Western blots with protein stains. For easy reference, the 25kDa protein band is of greater intensity (see website for product images). The ladder is conveniently packaged and ready to use with no heating, diluting or additional reducing agent necessary.

#### **Important Product Information**

- Do not boil the protein ladder.
- In low-percentage gels (< 8%), low-molecular weight proteins (1-20kDa) may migrate with the dye front. Use high-percentage gels (>14%) to obtain well-resolved bands on low-molecular weight proteins
- Before coomassie or silver staining, fix proteins with 5% glutaraldehyde to preserve the low-molecular weight proteins in the ladder.
- For silver stain applications, dilute the protein ladder approximately 1/50 in reducing sample buffer.
- If additional bands appear in the protein ladder, add newly prepared dithiothreitol (DTT) solution to 100mM final concentration. DTT oxidation in the storage buffer can cause the appearance of additional bands.

#### Procedure for Use in Polyacrylamide Gel Electrophoresis

- 1. Thaw the protein ladder at room temperature. Do not boil ladder.
- 2. Mix the tube gently and thoroughly to ensure that the solution is homogeneous.
- 3. Load an appropriate volume of the protein ladder onto the gel.
  - Mini-gel: 5µL per well (0.75-1.0mm thick) or 10µL per well (1.5mm thick)
  - Midi gel: 10µL per well (0.75-1.0mm thick) or 20µL per well (1.5mm thick)
- 4. Return the unused protein ladder to -20°C.



#### **Related Products**

Please see the catalog or website for a complete listing of protein gels and Western blotting products.

26614	PageRuler Unstained Protein Ladder, $2 \times 250 \mu L$
26616	<b>PageRuler Prestained Protein Ladder,</b> $2 \times 250 \mu L$
26619	<b>PageRuler Plus Prestained Protein Ladder,</b> $2 \times 250 \mu L$
26630	PageRuler Broad Range Unstained Protein Ladder, $2 \times 250 \mu L$
26634	Spectra <sup>TM</sup> Multicolor Broad Range Protein Ladder, $2 \times 250 \mu L$
26625	Spectra Multicolor High Range Protein Ladder, $2 \times 250 \mu L$
26628	Spectra Multicolor Low Range Protein Ladder, 250µL
LC5615	iBright <sup>TM</sup> Prestained Protein Ladder
XP10200BOX	Novex <sup>™</sup> 10-20% Tris-Glycine Mini Gels, 10-well (see <u>thermofisher.com/trisglycine</u> for a complete listing)
NW04120BOX	Bolt <sup>TM</sup> 4-12% Bis-Tris Plus Gels, 10-well (see <u>thermofisher.com/bolt</u> for a complete listing)
EC6625BOX	Novex 10-20% Tricine Protein Gels, 10-well (see thermofisher.com/tricine for a complete listing)
24615	Imperial <sup>™</sup> Protein Stain, 1L
LC6060	SimplyBlue <sup>TM</sup> SafeStain

#### **General References**

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