# **5x Cesium Taq LA PCR Kit**

Cat #: 230

Amount: 125 μl enyzme and two 1.25 ml tubes of 5x Mastermix (sufficient for 500 x 25 μl reactions)
Shipping conditions: Ice Pack
Storage conditions: -20°C F
Thermostability: Retains at least 85% activity after 1 hour at 95°C
Shelf life: At least 1 year from date of receipt under proper storage conditions.

## **PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:**

Our 5x ready-to-use PCR kit contains CesiumTaq LA, a cold-sensitive double mutant of Taq polymerase with the Long-Accurate feature that allows amplification of longer products with higher fidelity and accuracy. Due to its suppressed activity at low temperatures this enzyme is designed for hot-start PCR performance.

This kit can be used for conventional as well as real-time PCR. For real-time applications you may need to add a fluorescent dye as an alternative to probes. LA enzymes are not recommended for use with dUTP. 5x Mastermix composition is: 250 mM Tris-Cl, 80 mM ammonium sulfate, 0.13% Brij 58, 12.5 mM Magnesium Chloride, and 1 mM each dNTP. Final pH is 9.1.

Reagent	Volume	Final Concentration
5x Mastermix	5 μl	1x
Left Primer	variable	200 nM
Right Primer	variable	200 nM
DNA template†	variable	0.1-100 ng
PCR Enhancer Cocktail (recommended)*	12.5 µl	1x
OmniTaq 2 LA	0.05 – 0.25 µl **	
De-ionized distilled H2O	Adjust final volume to 25 ul	

#### **TYPICAL PCR PROTOCOL for a 25 ul reaction:**

<sup>†</sup> DNA amount depends mostly on genome size and target gene copy number.

\* For optimal performance, we recommend using one of our PCR Enhancer Cocktails (PEC-1, PEC-1GC, PEC-2, or PEC-2-GC) or 1.3 M Betaine, which is a general PCR enhancer.

\*\* To determine specific optimal enzyme concentration, we strongly recommend an enzyme titration test for each target. - Targets larger than 1 kb may require more enzyme.

## **CYCLING CONDITIONS:**

- 1. Denaturing:  $94^{\circ}$  for 2 minutes for 1 cycle
- 2. Denaturing:  $94^{\circ}$  for 40-60 seconds
- 3. Annealing:  $50^{\circ}-68^{\circ}$  depending on the specific Tm primers for 40-60 seconds
- 4. Extension:  $68^{\circ}$  for 2 min/kb target
- 5. Repeat steps 2-4 for 25-40 cycles

### Please visit us on the web at www.klentaq.com for troubleshooting and detailed protocols.

#### **REFERENCES:**

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