

## ZipTaq

Cat #: 304



**Amount:** 125  $\mu$ l

**Shipping conditions:** Ambient temperature

**Storage conditions:** -20°C

**Thermostability:** Retains at least 85% activity after 1 hour at 95°C

**Expiration:** On tube label

**PRODUCT DESCRIPTION:** ZipTaq DNA Polymerase is a Taq polymerase with multiple mutations that make it the fastest enzyme in our collection. With the addition of one of our PECs, it can tolerate up to 40% blood in the reaction.

### TYPICAL PCR PROTOCOL for a 25 $\mu$ l reaction:

Reagent	Volume	Final Concentration
10x ZipTaq Buffer	2.5 $\mu$ l	1x
dNTP mix (10 mM each)	0.5 $\mu$ l	200 $\mu$ M each
Left Primer	variable	200 nM
Right Primer	variable	200 nM
DNA template†	variable	0.1-100 ng
ZipTaq	0.05 – 0.25 $\mu$ l **	
De-ionized distilled H <sub>2</sub> O	Adjust final volume to 25 $\mu$ l	

† DNA amount depends mostly on genome size and target gene copy number. For templates containing PCR inhibitors, we recommend using one of our PCR Enhancer Cocktails (PEC-1, PEC-1GC, PEC-2, or PEC-2-GC) which are specially formulated for use with whole blood, serum or plasma or 1.3M Betaine, a general PCR enhancer.

\*\* To determine specific optimal enzyme concentration, we strongly recommend an enzyme titration test for each target. A good starting amount of the enzyme per 25  $\mu$ l reaction is 0.05  $\mu$ l for purified DNA templates and 0.25  $\mu$ l for crude samples containing 5-10% whole blood, plasma or serum. Targets larger than 1 kb may require more enzyme.

### 3-STEP CYCLING CONDITIONS (For 25 $\mu$ l reactions):

1. Initial Denature: 95° for 1 minutes for 1 cycle \*
2. Denaturing: 94° for 1-5 seconds †
3. Annealing: 50°-68° depending on the specific T<sub>m</sub> primers for 1-5 seconds †
4. Extension: 68° for 1-5 seconds/kb target †
5. Repeat steps 2-4 for 25-40 cycles

### 2-STEP CYCLING CONDITIONS (For 25 $\mu$ l reactions):

1. Initial Denature: 95° for 1 minutes for 1 cycle \*
2. Denaturing: 94° for 1-5 seconds †
3. Annealing/Extension: 60°-65° depending on the specific T<sub>m</sub> primers for 1-5 seconds/kb target †
4. Repeat steps 2 and 3 for 25-40 cycles

\* A 2-5 minute initial denaturation is recommended for crude samples containing 5-10% whole blood, plasma or serum.

† Exact number of seconds will depend on the thermocycler and target. We recommend experimentation to determine precise cycling parameters.

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