

Product Information

pFLAG-CTS™ Expression Vector

Catalog Number **E8283**

Storage Temperature -20 °C

Product Description

The pFLAG-CTS Expression Vector is a 5403 bp *Escherichia coli* expression vector used for periplasmic expression of a properly inserted open reading frame as a C-terminal FLAG® fusion protein. The FLAG epitope is a small, hydrophilic 8 amino acid tag (DYKDDDDK)¹ that provides for sensitive detection and high quality purification using ANTI-FLAG® products. The promoter-regulatory region of the strong *tac* promoter (a hybrid of the *trp* and *lac* promoters from *E.coli*)^{2,3} drives transcription of ORF-FLAG fusion constructs. Control of transcription is regulated by the presence of the *lacO* sequences and inclusion of the *lac* repressor gene (*lacI*) on the plasmid. Presence of the *ompA* signal sequence results in periplasmic secretion of the fusion protein.

Sequence verification of the MCS can be performed using the N-26, Catalog Number P7832, and C-24, Catalog Number P7957, Sequencing Primers.

C-terminal FLAG fusion proteins may be purified using Monoclonal ANTI-FLAG M2, Catalog Number F3165, and purified using the ANTI-FLAG M2 Affinity Gel, Catalog Number A2220). Please visit www.sigma-aldrich.com for a complete listing of antibodies, resins and affinity capture plates.

The pFLAG-CTS-BAP Control Plasmid included with the expression vector contains the *ompA* signal sequence for secretion of the BAP-FLAG fusion protein to the periplasmic space.

pFLAG-CTS-BAP Control Plasmid is a 6735 bp *E. coli* plasmid used for efficient and controlled periplasmic expression of C-terminal FLAG-BAP fusion protein.

The FLAG®-BAP fusion protein may be detected using Monoclonal ANTI-FLAG® M2, Catalog Number F3165, or purified using ANTI-FLAG M2 Affinity Gel, Catalog Number A2220.

Map positions of key features in the pFLAG- CTS Expression Vector and the pFLAG-CTS-BAP Control Plasmid can be found at

www.sigma.com/vectormaps.

Components

- pFLAG-CTS Expression Vector 10 µg
Catalog Number E5269
Supplied as 0.5 mg/ml in 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA.
- pFLAG-CTS-BAP Control Plasmid 1 µg
Catalog Number P7707
Supplied as 0.05 mg/ml in 1 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 0.1 mM EDTA.

Precautions and Disclaimer

This product is for R&D use only, not for drug, household, or other uses. Please consult the Material Safety Data Sheet for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

Storage/Stability

Store at -20 °C

References

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