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# **Product Information**

pTAC-MAT-Tag®-1 Expression Vector

Catalog Number **E5530** Storage Temperature –20 °C

## **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**

## **Product Description**

pTAC-MAT-Tag-1 Expression Vector is a 5358 bp *Escherichia coli* expression vector used for cytoplasmic expression of a properly inserted open reading frame as an N-terminal MAT-Tag (Metal Affinity Tag) fusion protein. The MAT-Tag (HNHRHKH) is a transition metal binding, e.g., Ni<sup>+2</sup> and Co<sup>+2</sup>, sequence useful for high quality purification. The promoter-regulatory region of the strong *tac* promoter (a hybrid of the *trp* and *lac* promoters from *E.coli*)<sup>1,2</sup> drives transcription of MAT-Tag-ORF 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.

pTAC-MAT-Tag-1 may be used in conjunction with the Director™ Universal PCR System, Catalog Number RDC1, for a simple, rapid and universal method to directionally clone and express PCR products. The MCS has been optimized for use with the *Hind* III and *BgI* II restriction enzymes often used in the Director system.

N-terminal MAT-Tagged fusion proteins may be purified utilizing the metal affinity properties of the MAT tag by using HIS-Select® Nickel Affinity Gel, Catalog Number P6611. Sigma-Aldrich offers a wide selection of related HIS-Select products. Please visit <a href="https://www.sigma-aldrich.com">www.sigma-aldrich.com</a> for a complete listing of resins and affinity capture plates.

### Reagents

- pTAC-MAT-Tag-1 Expression Vector, 10 μg, Catalog Number E4655, 0.5 mg/ml in 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA.
- pTAC-MAT-Tag-2-BAP Control Vector, 1 μg, Catalog Number C7864, 0.05 mg/ml in 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA,

### **Precautions and Disclaimer**

This product is for laboratory use only. Not for drug, household or other uses. Please consult the MSDS for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

## Storage/Stability

This product ships on dry ice and storage at –20 °C is recommended.

### **Vector Features**

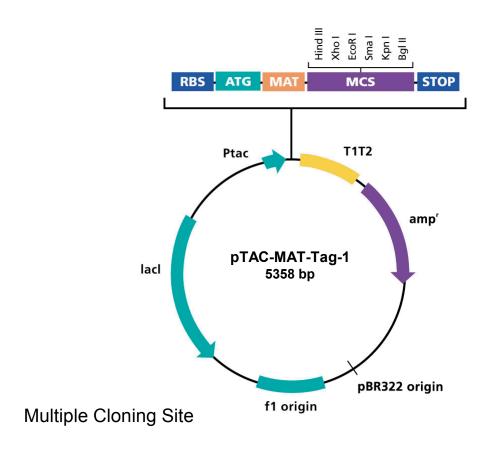
The following table provides map positions of key features in the pTAC-MAT-Tag-1 vector. Sequence verification of the MCS can be performed using the N-26 Sequencing Primer, Catalog Number P7832, and C-24 Sequencing Primer, Catalog Number P7957.

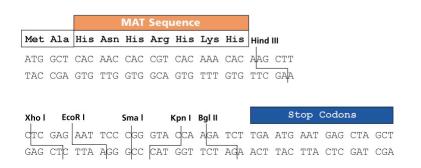
Feature	Map Position
N-26 Sequencing Primer Binding Site	578-603
tac Promoter	616-676
lacO	650-670
Ribosomal Binding Site	677-682
MAT tag	689-715
MCS	716-748
C-24 Sequencing Primer Binding Site	787-810
T1/T2 terminator	818-1188
beta-lactamase (amp <sup>r</sup> )	1287-2144
pBR322 ori	2352-2471
f1 ori	3135-3598
lacl	4276-5358

#### References

- Moffet, B. A., et al., J. Mol. Biol., 189, 113-130 (1986).
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