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# **Product Information**

pT7-MAT-Tag™-1 Expression Vector

Catalog Number **E5780** Storage Temperature –20 °C

# **TECHNICAL BULLETIN**

# **Product Description**

pT7-MAT-Tag-1 is a 4823 bp Escherichia coli expression vector used for cytoplasmic expression of a properly inserted open reading frame as a 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 region of the very strong phage T7 promoter<sup>1,2</sup> drives transcription of MAT-Tag ORF fusion constructs. This vector requires the use of E. coli cells containing a source of the T7 polymerase, such as BL21(DE3) cells. Transcription is regulated in these cells by having the T7 polymerase gene under the control of the lacUV5 promoter. Tighter repression of basal level transcription is provided by the inclusion of lacO sequences immediately downstream of the pT7 promoter and having the lac repressor gene (lacl) on the plasmid.

pT7-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

- pT7-MAT-Tag-1 Expression Vector, 10 μg, Catalog Number E4530, 0.5 mg/ml in 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA.
- pT7-MAT-Tag-2-BAP Control Vector, 1 μg, Catalog Number C7989, 0.05 mg/ml in 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 1 mM EDTA.

#### **Precautions and Disclaimer**

This product is for R&D use only. Not for drug, household or other uses. Consult the MSDS for information regarding hazards and safe handling practices.

### Storage/Stability

Product ships on dry ice. Store at -20 °C.

#### **Vector Features**

The following table provides map positions to key features in the pT7-MAT-Tag-1 Expression Vector. Sequence verification of the MCS can be performed using the C-24 Sequencing Primer, Catalog Number P7957. The sequence

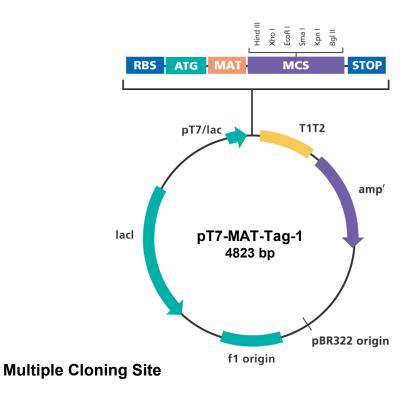
5'-CTATCATGCCATACCGCGAAAGG-3', available from Sigma-Genosys, is recommended for sequencing through the N-terminal junction.

Feature	Map Position
Recommended 5' primer	31-53
sequence binding site	
pT7 Promoter	72-91
lacO	92-111
Ribosomal Binding Site	143-148
MAT-Tag	161-181
MCS	182-217
C-24 Sequencing Primer	252-275
Binding Site	
T1/T2 terminator	283-653
β-lactamase (amp <sup>r</sup> )	752-1609
pBR322 ori	1817-1936
f1 ori	2600-3063
lacl	3741-4823

#### References

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		MAT Sequence													
Met	Ala	His	Asn	His	Arg	His	Lys	His							
ATG	GCT	CAC	AAC	CAC	CGT	CAC	AAA	CAC							
TAC	CGA	GTG	TTG	GTG	GCA	GTG	TTT	GTG							
Hind III		Xho I		EcoR I			Sma I		Kpn I Bgl II			Stop Codons			
AAG	CTT	CCT	CGA	GTG	AAT	TCC	CCG	GGT	ACC	AGA	TCT	TGA	ATG	AAA	TGF
TTC	GAA	GGA	GCT	CAC	TTA	AGG	GGC	CCA	TGG	TCT	AGA	ACT	TAC	TTT	ACI

#### **Academic and Non-Profit Laboratory Assurance Letter**

The T7 system is based on technology developed at Brookhaven National Laboratory under contract with the U.S. Department of Energy and is the subject of U.S. Patent No. 5,693,489 (expiration date, December 2, 2014) assigned to Brookhaven Science Associates, LLC. (BSA). BSA will grant a nonexclusive license for the use of this technology, including the enclosed material, based upon the following assurances:

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