

## Product Information

### RESTRICTION ENDONUCLEASE Ava I

Product Number **R 3379**

Storage Temperature 0 to –20 °C

#### Product Description

Recognition Sequence: 5' C/PyCGPuG 3'  
Activity: 5,000 units/ml  
Cutting: 100%  
Ligation: >95%  
Recutting: >95%  
No degradation detected with >20 units for 16 hrs.  
Fold over digestion: 320 (20 units x 16 hrs.)  
Package Size: 250 units

#### Unit Definition

One unit is the enzyme activity that completely cleaves 1 µg  $\lambda$  DNA in 1 hr. at 37 °C in a total volume of 50 µl of Buffer SB for restriction endonucleases.

#### Specificity

Ava I recognizes the sequence C/PyCGPuG and generates fragments with 5' -cohesive termini.<sup>1</sup>

#### Comments

Digestion Buffer SB is supplied as a 10x concentrate. Information for heat inactivation of Ava I is not available.

#### Ava I Storage and Dilution Buffer Composition

20 mM Tris-HCl  
100 mM NaCl  
0.1mM EDTA  
10 mM 2-mercaptoethanol  
0.01% (v/v) Triton X-100  
50% (v/v) glycerol  
pH 8.0

#### 1x Digestion Buffer SB (B 8781) Composition for Ava I: 100% Digestion at 37 °C.

10 mM Tris-HCl  
10 mM NaCl  
5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>  
1 mM 2-mercaptoethanol  
pH 8.0

#### Quality Control Testing

**Absence of unspecific endonuclease activities:**  
1 µg  $\lambda$  DNA is incubated for 16 hrs. in 50 µl buffer SB with excess of Ava I.

#### Ligation and Recutting Assay

Ava I fragments, obtained by complete digestion of 1 µg  $\lambda$  DNA, are adjusted to pH 7.5 at 20 °C. The Ava I fragments are then ligated with 0.3 units T4-DNA ligase at pH 7.5 at 20 °C. A 10 µl reaction mixture, incubated for 16 hours at 20 °C, contained 0.3 units T4-DNA ligase, 66 mM Tris-HCl, 5 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 1 mM ATP and 1 mM dithioerythritol.

The degree of ligation and subsequent recutting with Ava I to yield the typical pattern of  $\lambda$  x Ava I fragments is determined.

#### References

1. Murray, K., et al., *Biochem. J.*, **159**, 317 (1976).