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#### **Product Description**

T4 DNA Ligase catalyzes the formation of a phosphodiester bond between the terminal 5' phosphate and a 3' hydroxyl groups of duplex DNA or RNA. The enzyme efficiently joins blunt and cohesive ends and repairs single stranded nicks in duplex DNA, RNA or DNA/RNA hybrids (1).

**Storage buffer:** T4 DNA Ligase is supplied in 10 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM KCl, 1 mM dithiothreitol, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.1%Triton X-100, 50% glycerol, pH 7.5 @ 25 °C.

**10X T4 DNA Ligase Buffer** is composed of 500 mM Tris-HCI, 100 mM MgCl2, 50 mM dithiothreitol, 10 mM ATP, pH 7.6 @ 25 °C.

Source of protein: A recombinant E. coli strain carrying the cloned T4 DNA Ligase gene.

**Unit Definition:** One Weiss unit is defined as the amount of enzyme required to convert 1 nmol of <sup>32</sup>P-labeled inorganic pyrophosphate into Norit adsorbable material in 20 minutes at 37 °C, using specified reaction conditions(2).

Note: 1 Weiss Unit is approximately 67 cohesive end units.

# **Product Specifications**

TEST	SPECIFICATION
Purity (SDS-PAGE)	>99%
SS Exonuclease	6,000 U <0.1% released
DS Exonuclease	6,000 U <0.1% released
Endonuclease	6,000 U <0.1% converted
E. coli 16S rDNA Contamination	3,000 U <10 copies

# **Product Designations and Kit Components**

Product	Ligase Concentration	Kit Size	Catalog Number	Reagent Description	Part Numbers	Volume
NxGen® T4 DNA Ligase (Low Concentration)	υ	1,500 Units*	30241-1	T4 DNA Ligase (Low Concentration)	F83911-1	750 μL
				10X T4 DNA Ligase Buffer	F88912-1	1.5 mL
		7,500	30241-2	T4 DNA Ligase (Low Concentration)	F83911-1	5 x 750 μL
		Units*	30241-2	10X T4 DNA Ligase Buffer	F88912-1	5 x 1.5 mL

<sup>\*</sup>Weiss Units

# **Components & Storage Conditions**

Store all Kits and Components at -20 °C



### **Reaction Set-Up**

1. Add all of the components below to a clean reaction vessel.

Quantity	Component
2 μL	10X T4 Ligation Buffer
X <sup>1</sup>	Vector
Y <sup>1</sup>	Insert
1 μL	T4 DNA Ligase (2 U/μL)
To 20 μL	Nuclease-free Water

<sup>&</sup>lt;sup>1</sup>Recommended molar ratio of Vector to Insert is 1:3. Use 25-100 ng of vector and 75-300 ng of insert for each reaction.

- 2. Mix well by pipetting.
- 3. Incubate at 25 °C for 30 minutes.
- 4. Heat inactivate the reaction by incubating the ligation at 70 °C for 15 minutes.
- 5. Purify DNA using a PCR clean-up column and elute in ~50 μL.

Immediately dilute in TE or water (at least 1:10).

6. Transform 0.1-10 ng of the ligation product into a chemically competent or electrocompetent cell line that is compatible with the vector.

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