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Hi-PCR[®] Generic E.coli Semi-Q PCR Kit

Description

Escherichia coli is a Gram negative, facultative anaerobic rod shaped bacterium of the genus *Escherichia* that are normal inhabitants of the human gastrointestinal tract but are not harmful for the host animal. They are classified into 150 to 200 serotypes based on somatic (O), capsular (K), fimbrial (F) and flagellar (H) antigens. Only a small proportion of strains are pathogenic, producing virulence factors permitting them to cause disease. *E. coli* are among the most frequent bacterial causes of diarrhea and are classified by clinical syndrome they produce into enterotoxigenic *E. coli* (ETEC), enteropathogenic *E. coli* (EPEC), enterohemorrhagic *E. coli*, enteroinvasive *E. coli* (EIEC) and enteroaggregative *E. coli* which cause urinary tract infections (UTI), neonatal meningitis and intestinal diseases (gastroenteritis) etc.

With healthcare becoming increasingly available to a large number of people, specific and faster methods for pathogen detection are the need of an hour.

NOTE: HiMedia's Hi-PCR[®] Generic E.coli Semi-Q PCR Kit is for *in-vitro* use only.

Intended Use:

HiMedia's Generic E. coli Detection Kit is a conventional PCR kit which includes the amplification of **uspA gene (894 bp)** for *E. coli* samples using specific primers. The amplified target is confirmed by using agarose gel electrophoresis. The kit is designed for *in vitro* diagnostics and provides qualitative detection. This diagnostic kit assures sensitive detection in clinical samples.

Principle:

The Hi-PCR[®] Generic E.coli Semi-Q PCR Kit is designed for fast detection of specific sequence of **uspA gene (894 bp)** for *E. coli* from various clinical and food samples. This kit also contains **Internal control** and **Positive control**.

Internal control: This is a control sequence, which is amplified in the same reaction tube along with the target sequence (target pathogen) but detected with a different primer (i.e. Multiplex PCR). An internal control is often used to detect the failure of amplification in cases where the target sequence is not amplified.

Positive control: This is a control reaction using a known template (target pathogen). A positive control is usually used to check that the primers have been designed properly and the PCR conditions have been set up correctly.

Polymerase Chain Reaction (PCR) is a very sensitive and specific method for amplification based detection of genes. The three steps of a successful PCR reaction include Denaturation, Annealing and Extension. The double-stranded DNA melts and forms single stranded DNA at high temperature (Denaturation). Sequence-specific primers bind to the target sequence on single-stranded DNA at lower temperature (Annealing). Taq DNA Polymerase adds dNTPs onto the single

stranded DNA at intermediate temperature (Extension). These 3 steps of PCR are usually repeated between 25 to 40 times in each PCR assay.

Gel electrophoresis is used to analyze the amplification of desired gene region based on separation of DNA fragments according to their size.

Features:

- Fast and simple
- Sensitive and specific results
- Guaranteed reproducible results
- Rapid detection of all relevant clinical pathogens

Sample Source: Clinical & Food samples.

Storage:

The provided kit has a shelf-life of 12 months when stored between -10°C to -20°C. Repeated thawing and freezing of PCR reagents should be avoided as this may reduce the sensitivity. If reagents are to be used multiple times, we recommend storing reagents as aliquots to avoid repeated freeze and thaw. Degradation of sample DNA specimens can also reduce sensitivity of the assay. HiMedia does not recommend using the kit after the expiry date stated on pack.

Kit Contents:

The provided PCR Kit contains:

Components	Product codes	Reagents provided for (reactions)* (µL)	
		25R	50R
2X PCR TaqMixture	MBT061	675	1350
Primer Mix for Generic <i>E.coli</i>	DS0157	54	108
Primer Mix for Internal Control (285 bp)	DS0223	54	108
Molecular Biology Grade Water for PCR	ML065	490	980
6X Gel Loading Buffer	ML015	54	108
50 bp DNA Ladder	MBT084	15	30
Positive control (Generic <i>E. coli</i> DNA)	DS0311	5	10
Internal Control DNA	DS0123	27	54

* For a 50µl PCR reaction

Specimen collection and Handling:

Follow appropriate techniques for handling specimens; after use, contaminated materials must be sterilized by autoclaving before discarding. Standard precautions as per established guidelines should be followed while handling clinical specimens and items contaminated with blood and other body fluids. Safety guidelines may be referred in individual safety data sheets.

Sample Preparation:

Various clinical, food samples and cultured bacteria can be examined. For preparation of bacterial DNA, perform the nucleic acid purification using HiMedia's HiPurA® Bacterial DNA Purification Kit

(MB505) as described in the protocol. The purified DNA is free of any inhibitors and can be used directly for PCR.

Materials needed but not provided

- PCR tubes (Product code PW1255) or PCR Strips (Product code: PR17) or PCR Plates (Product code: PR2 / PR3 / PR19)
- Thermal Cycler (Product Code: LA948/LA949/LA950/LA1006/LA1015/LA1059/LA1060/LA1066)
- Barrier Micropipette Tips
- Micropipettes

General Preparation Instructions:

- Before use, suitable amount of all PCR components should be completely thawed on ice (4°C).
- Perform the amplification reactions in a clean area.
- Use of aerosol barrier pipette tips is recommended to reduce contamination risks from extraneous DNA templates.
- Extract and store positive control material (if used) separately from all other reagents to avoid contamination and add it to the reaction mix in a separate area.

A. Protocol for PCR Master Mix Preparation

Perform PCR reactions for each DNA sample as per the following table:

Components	Recommended volume to be added per reaction (µL)
2X PCR TaqMixture (MBT061)	25 µL
Primer Mix for Generic <i>E.coli</i> (DS0157)	2 µL
Primer Mix for Internal Control (285 bp) (DS0223)	2 µL
Template DNA	2 µL
Internal Control DNA (DS0123)	1 µL
Molecular Biology Grade Water for PCR (ML065)	Up to 50 µL

NOTE: (Optional) – The user can also set up an additional PCR reaction containing 1µL of Positive control DNA (provided) in a separate tube.

Centrifuge the tube briefly at 6000 rpm for about 10 seconds and place the tubes in the PCR machine and set the recommended PCR program (mentioned below). Interpret the data using Agarose Gel Electrophoresis.

B. Recommended PCR program:

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|------------------------|-----------------------|---------------------|
| 1 Initial denaturation | : 94°C for 5 minutes | No. of cycles: 1 |
| 2 Denaturation | : 94°C for 30 seconds | } No. of cycles: 30 |
| 3 Annealing | : 56°C for 30 seconds | |
| 4 Extension | : 72°C for 30 seconds | |
| 5 Final Extension | : 72°C for 5 minutes | No. of cycles: 1 |

C. After amplification, the products can be kept at 4°C overnight or frozen at –20°C for long-term storage.

D. PCR sample Assay Results Interpretation:

- For analysis of the PCR data, load 10 µl of amplicon on a 1.5% Agarose gel along with 1 µl of 6X Gel Loading Buffer (ML015).
- Load 3 µl of 50 bp DNA ladder (MBT084) in separate well.

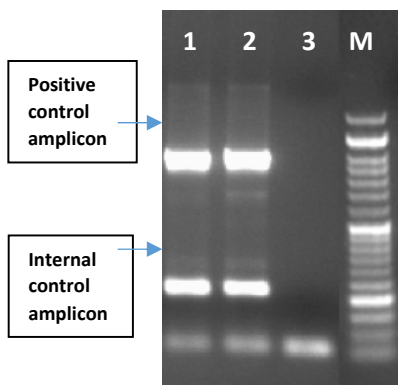
E. EtBr-staining to check results:

- Incorporate EtBr in the agarose gel or stain the agarose gel with EtBr for 10-15 min.
- Confirm the expected amplicon size comparing with 50 bp DNA marker.

Quality Control:

Each lot of HiMedia’s Hi-PCR® Generic E.coli Semi-Q PCR Kit is assayed for contaminating endonuclease, exonuclease and non-specific DNase activities. Functionally tested in DNA amplification

Amplification Data:



Lane no.	Samples
M	50 bp DNA ladder
1	Test sample amplicon Generic <i>E.coli</i> (894 bp) with internal control (285bp)
2	
3	Negative control

Gel image representing amplification of gene using target sample of Generic *E.coli sp.* with positive control (849bp) and Internal control (285bp)

Warning

Certified for *in vitro* Diagnostic Use (IVD). Not for Medicinal Use.

Precautions

Read the procedure carefully before starting the experiment. Wear protective gloves/protective clothing/eye protection/face protection. Follow good clinical laboratory practices while handling clinical samples. Standard precautions should be followed as per established guidelines. Safety guidelines may be referred in safety data sheets of the product.

Performance and Evaluation

Each lot of HiMedia’s Generic E. coli Detection Kit is tested against predetermined specifications to ensure consistent product quality.

Troubleshooting Guide:

Sr.No.	Problem	Cause	Solution
1.	No amplification	Degraded samples	1. Check the integrity of DNA using agarose gel electrophoresis. 2. Use freshly prepared DNA to ensure the availability of intact template sequence for efficient amplification.
		Error in protocol setup	Verify that the correct reagent volumes, dilutions and storage conditions have been used.
2.	Variability between replicates	Error in reaction set-up	Prepare large volume reaction mix, vortex thoroughly and aliquot appropriately into reaction tubes.
		Air bubbles in reaction mix	Briefly centrifuge reaction samples/plate prior to running on a PCR machine.
		Pipetting error	Replicates can show increased variation due to poor laboratory techniques or imprecise pipettes.
3.	Amplification in negative control	Reagents contaminated	1. Replace all critical solutions. 2. Repeat the analysis of all tests with fresh aliquots of critical reagents.

Safety Information

The Hi-PCR® Generic E.coli Semi-Q PCR Kit is for laboratory use only, not for drug, household or other uses. Take appropriate laboratory safety measures and wear gloves when handling.

Disposal

User must ensure safe disposal by autoclaving and/or incineration of used or unusable preparations of this product. Follow established laboratory procedures in disposing of infectious materials and material that comes into contact with clinical sample must be decontaminated and disposed off in accordance with current laboratory techniques.

Technical Assistance

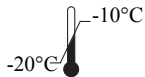
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