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# High Pure PCR Template Preparation Kit

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For Isolation of Nucleic Acids for PCR and Southern Blotting

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Kit for 100 isolations

**Store the kit at +15 to +25°C.**

⚠ If properly stored, all kit components are stable through the expiration date printed on the label.


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# 1. What this Product Does

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**Number of Tests** The kit is designed for 100 isolation reactions.

**Kit Contents**  All solutions are clear, and should not be used when precipitates have formed. Warm the solutions at +15 to +25°C or in a 37°C waterbath until the precipitates have dissolved.

Vial/Cap	Label	Contents / Function
1 white	Tissue Lysis Buffer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 20 ml</li><li>• [4 M urea, 200 mM Tris, 20 mM NaCl, 200 mM EDTA, pH 7.4 (25°C)]</li></ul>
2 green	Binding Buffer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 20 ml</li><li>• [6 M guanidinium-HCl, 10 mM urea, 10 mM Tris-HCl, 20% Triton X-100 (v/v), pH 4.4 (25°C)]</li></ul>
3 pink	Proteinase K, recombinant PCR grade	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Lyophilizate</li><li>• For sample lysis and inactivation of endogenous DNase</li></ul>
4a black	Inhibitor Removal Buffer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 33 ml, add 20 ml absolute ethanol</li><li>• [5 M guanidinium-HCl, 20 mM Tris-HCl, pH 6.6 (25°C) final concentration after addition of ethanol]</li></ul>
4 blue	Wash Buffer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 20 ml, add 80 ml absolute ethanol</li><li>• [20 mM NaCl, 2 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.5 (25°C) final concentrations after addition of ethanol]</li></ul>
5 colorless	Elution Buffer	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• 40 ml</li><li>• [10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.5 (25°C)]</li></ul>
	High Pure Filter Tubes	Two bags with 50 polypropylene tubes with two layers of glass fiber fleece, for use of up to 700 µl sample volume.
	Collection Tubes	Eight bags with 50 polypropylene tubes (2 ml).

## 1. What this Product Does, continued

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### Storage and Stability

The High Pure PCR Template Preparation Kit components must be stored at +15 to +25°C. Kit components are guaranteed to be stable through the expiration date printed on the label.

⚠ Please note, that improper storage at +2 to +8°C (refrigerator) or –15 to –25°C (freezer) will adversely impact nucleic acid purification because solutions might precipitate.

Therefore, High Pure isolation kits are always shipped at +15 to +25°C..

After dissolution of Proteinase K the solution should be aliquoted and stored at –15 to –25°C. The solution is stable at –15 to –25°C for up to 1 year.

### Additional Equipment and Reagents Required

Refer to the list below for additional reagents and equipment required for all isolation procedures:

- Absolute ethanol
- Absolute isopropanol
  - Standard tabletop microcentrifuge capable of  $13,000 \times g$  centrifugal force (e.g., Eppendorf 5415C or equivalent)
  - Microcentrifuge tubes, 1.5 ml, sterile

For the isolation of mammalian whole blood, buffy coat, or cultured cells:

- PBS\*

For the isolation of mouse tail

- 1 ml disposable syringe without needle

For the isolation of nucleic acids from bacteria or yeast

- PBS\*
- Lysozyme\* [10 mg/ml in 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0]
- Lyticase (0.5 mg/ml)

For the isolation of nucleic acids from formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded tissue sections

- Xylene
- Ethanol, 100%, 80%, 60%, 40%

RNase treatment (optional)

- RNase, DNase-free\*
- High Pure PCR Product Purification Kit\*
- Heating block or water bath

## 1. What this Product Does, continued

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### Application

This kit is designed to purify nucleic acids from different sample materials, including whole blood, cultured cells, and tissue samples. Bacteria and yeast require a specific prelysis treatment with lysozyme or lyticase. The resulting nucleic acids are ready for use in PCR and restriction-digestion reactions.

### Assay Time

	Whole blood and cell culture	Tissue
Total time	Approx. 20 min	Approx. 2 h
Hands-on time	Approx. 12 min	Approx. 30 min

## 2. How To Use this Product

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### 2.1 Before You Begin

#### Precautions

##### I) Handling Requirements

- Complete each phase of the PCR workflow before proceeding to the next phase. For example, you should finish PCR sample preparation before starting PCR set-up. Sample prep, PCR set-up and the PCR run itself should also be performed in separate locations.
- Do not pool reagents from different lots.
- Do not use a kit after its expiration date has passed.
- Binding Buffer (bottle 2) contains guanidinium hydrochloride and Triton X-100, which are irritants. Inhibitor Removal Buffer (bottle 4a) and Wash Buffer (bottle 4) contain guanidinium hydrochloride which is an irritant. Do not let the Binding Buffer, Inhibitor Removal Buffer, or Wash Buffer touch your skin, eyes, or mucous membranes. If contact does occur, wash the affected area immediately with large amounts of water. If you spill the reagent, dilute the spill with water before wiping it up.

##### II) Laboratory Procedures

- Handle all samples as if potentially infectious, using safe laboratory procedures. As the sensitivity and titer of potential pathogens in the sample material varies, the operator has to optimize pathogen inactivation or take appropriate measures according to local safety regulations.
- Do not eat, drink or smoke in the laboratory work area.
- Do not pipette by mouth.
- Wear protective disposable gloves, laboratory coats and eye protection when handling samples and kit reagents.
- Do not contaminate the reagents with bacteria, virus, or ribonuclease. Use disposable pipets and nuclease-free pipet tips only to remove aliquots from reagent bottles. Use the general precautions described in the literature.
- Wash hands thoroughly after handling samples and test reagents.

##### III) Waste Handling



- Discard unused reagents and waste in accordance with country, federal, state, and local regulations.
- Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS) are available on the Roche Applied Science home page or upon request from the local Roche office.

## 2. How to Use this Product, continued

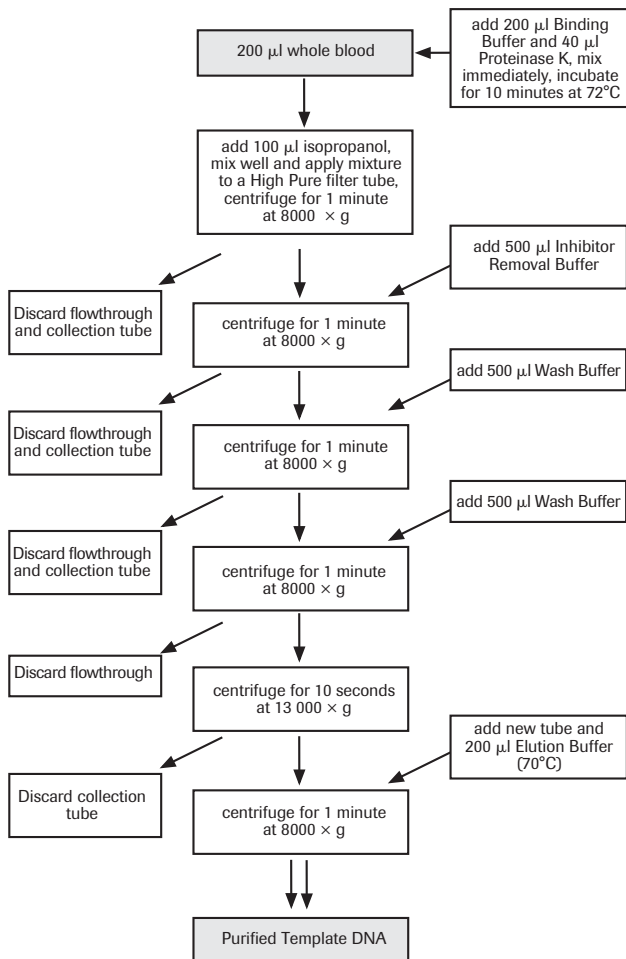
- Sample Material**
- 200 – 300  $\mu$ l mammalian whole blood
  - 200  $\mu$ l buffy coat
  - $10^4$  –  $10^6$  cultured mammalian cells
  - 25 – 50 mg mammalian solid tissue
  - 0.2 – 0.5 cm mouse tail (25 – 50 mg)
  - $10^8$  yeast cells
  - $10^9$  bacterial cells (gram positive or gram negative)
  - Paraffin-embedded, fixed tissue sections

### Preparation of Working Solutions

Beside the ready-to-use solutions supplied with this kit, you will need to prepare the following working solution:

Content	Reconstitution/ Preparation	Storage and Stability	For use in
Proteinase K (Vial 3; pink cap)	Dissolve Proteinase K in 4.5 ml double distilled water, aliquot solution.	Store at – 15 to – 25°C. Stable for 12 months.	Sample Lysis and DNA Binding Protocol step 1
Inhibitor Removal Buffer (Vial 4 a; black cap)	Add 20 ml absolute ethanol to Inhibitor Removal Buffer.  Label and date bottle accordingly after adding ethanol.	Store at +15 to +25°C. Stable through the expiration date printed on kit label.	Washing and Elution Protocol step 1
Wash Buffer (Vial 4; blue cap)	Add 80 ml absolute ethanol to Wash Buffer.  Label and date bottle accordingly after adding ethanol.	Store at +15 to +25°C. Stable through expiration date printed on kit label.	Washing and Elution Protocol step 2 and 3

## 2.2 Experimental overview (e.g., whole blood)





## 2.3 Isolation of Nucleic Acids from Mammalian Whole Blood, Buffy Coat, or Cultured Cells

### Adjustment of sample volume


If your sample volume is less than 200  $\mu\text{l}$ , the sample volume should be expanded with PBS\*. Adjust the sample volume as follows:

Material	Action
cell culture cells	centrifuge medium with cells and resuspend cell pellet in 200 $\mu\text{l}$ PBS.
mammalian whole blood	If sample material is < <b>200 <math>\mu\text{l}</math></b> fill up volume to 200 $\mu\text{l}$ with PBS If sample material is > <b>200 <math>\mu\text{l}</math> up to 300 <math>\mu\text{l}</math></b> increase all volumes accordingly

### Sample Lysis and DNA Binding

Protocol for the isolation of nucleic acids from:

- 200  $\mu\text{l}$  mammalian blood,
- 200  $\mu\text{l}$  buffy coat,
- or  $10^4$  -  $10^6$  cultured mammalian cells


 Before starting the purification reaction, warm up the Elution Buffer to 70°C.

- 1 To a nuclease free 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube
  - Add 200  $\mu\text{l}$  of sample material.
  - Add 200  $\mu\text{l}$  Binding Buffer.
  - Add 40  $\mu\text{l}$  Proteinase K (reconstituted)
  - Mix immediately and incubate at 70°C for 10 min.
- 2 Add 100  $\mu\text{l}$  Isopropanol and mix well.
- 3
  - Insert one High Filter Tube in one Collection Tube.
  - Pipet the sample into the upper buffer reservoir of the Filter Tube.
  - Insert the entire High Pure Filter Tube assembly into a standard table-top centrifuge.
  - Centrifuge 1 min at  $8,000 \times g$ .
- 4 Proceed to Washing and Elution section 2.8.


## 2.4 Isolation of Nucleic Acids from Mammalian Tissue


### Sample Lysis and DNA Binding

Protocol for the isolation of nucleic acids from 25 – 50 mg tissue.

 Before starting the purification reaction, warm up the Elution Buffer to 70°C.

- 1 To a nuclease-free 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube
  - Add 25 – 50 mg of sample material.
  - 200 µl Tissue Lysis Buffer.
  - 40 µl Proteinase K (reconstituted).
  - Mix immediately and incubate for 1 h at 55°C or until tissue is digested completely.

 The yield of nucleic acids can be increased by cutting the sample with a scalpel in small pieces before incubation.
- 2 • Add 200 µl Binding Buffer.
  - Mix immediately and incubate for 10 min at 70°C.
- 3 • Add 100 µl isopropanol and mix well.
  - Draw part of the sample into a 1 ml disposable pipette tip.
 

 This treatment draws insoluble tissue segments into the pipette tip and blocks it.
  - Withdraw and discard the pipette tip, carrying the insoluble tissue segments with it.
- 4 • Insert one High Filter Tube in one Collection Tube.
  - Pipet the remainder of the liquid sample into the upper buffer reservoir of the Filter Tube.
  - Insert the entire High Pure Filter Tube assembly into a standard table-top centrifuge.
  - Centrifuge 1 min at 8,000 × g.
- 5 Proceed to Washing and Elution section 2.8.

## 2.5 Isolation of Nucleic Acids from Mouse Tail

### Sample Lysis and DNA Binding

Protocol for the isolation of nucleic acids from 0.2 - 0.5 cm (25 - 35 mg)

⚠ Before starting the purification reaction, warm up the Elution Buffer to 70°C.

- ① To a nuclease-free 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube
  - Add 0.2 - 0.5 cm (25 - 50 mg) mouse tail.
  - 200  $\mu$ l Tissue Lysis Buffer.
  - 40  $\mu$ l Proteinase K (reconstituted).
  - Mix immediately and incubate for 3 h at 55°C or until tissue is digested completely.
- ② Use 1 ml disposable syringe without needle to shear the lysed tail sample.
  - Draw the sample into the syringe and then expel it again.
  - Repeat the step twice.
- ③
  - Add 200  $\mu$ l Binding Buffer.
  - Add 100  $\mu$ l isopropanol and mix well.
  - Centrifuge 5 min at  $13,000 \times g$ .
- ④
  - Insert one High Filter Tube in one Collection Tube.
  - Pipet the liquid sample into the upper buffer reservoir of the Filter Tube.
  - Insert the entire High Pure Filter Tube assembly into a standard table-top centrifuge.
  - Centrifuge 1 min at  $8,000 \times g$ .
- ⑤ Proceed to Washing and Elution section 2.8.

## 2.6 Isolation of Nucleic Acids from Bacteria or Yeast

- ⑨ Generally, yeast cells are lysed by incubation with Lyticase, but some yeast strains can also be lysed by Lysozyme treatment:
- *Saccharomyces cerevisiae*
  - *Aspergillus fumigatus*
  - *Candida albicans*

### Sample Lysis and DNA Binding

Protocol for the isolation of nucleic acids from  $10^9$  bacteria or  $10^8$  yeast cells.

- ⚠ Before starting the purification reaction, warm up the Elution Buffer to 70°C.

- 1 To a nuclease-free 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube
  - Add 200  $\mu$ l bacteria or yeast cells.
  - Centrifuge for 5 min at  $3,000 \times g$ .
  - Resuspend cell pellet in 200  $\mu$ l PBS.
- 2 For Bacteria: Add and incubate 5  $\mu$ l lysozyme (10 mg/ml in 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0) and incubate 15 min at 37°C.  
For Yeast: Add and incubate 10  $\mu$ l lyticase (0.5 mg/ml) and incubate 30 min at 37°C.
- 3 To the sample material
  - Add 200  $\mu$ l Binding Buffer.
  - Add 40  $\mu$ l Proteinase K (reconstituted).
  - Mix immediately and incubate for 10 min at 70°C.
- 4 Add 100  $\mu$ l Isopropanol and mix well.
- 5
  - Insert one High Filter Tube in one Collection Tube.
  - Pipet the liquid sample into the upper buffer reservoir of the Filter Tube.
  - Insert the entire High Pure Filter Tube assembly into a standard table-top centrifuge.
  - Centrifuge 1 min at  $8,000 \times g$ .
- 6 Proceed to Washing and Elution section 2.8.

## 2.7 Isolation of Nucleic Acids from Formalin-Fixed Paraffin-embedded Tissue Sections

Protocol was kindly provided by T. Fixemer, University of Homburg-Saar, Germany.

### Sample Lysis and DNA Binding

For 25 - 50 mg formalin-fixed paraffin-embedded tissue section.

⚠ Before starting the purification reaction, warm up the Elution Buffer to 70°C.

- ① Soak the tissue section in xylene to deparaffinize for approx. 30 min.  
⚠ Incubation time depends on the thickness of the section.
- ② Incubate the tissue section in a graded ethanol series for 10 s each:  
⚠ The section should turn white after it is transferred to ethanol.
  - 100% ethanol (dehydration)/ 80% ethanol/ 60% ethanol/ 40% ethanol
  - Double distilled water (rehydration) for 10 s.
- ③
  - While viewing the section under a microscope, cut the desired tissue area from the rehydrated section with a scalpel.
  - Transfer the sample to a clean, sterile, preweighted 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube.
  - Determine the weight of the sample.
- ④ To the tissue sample (25 - 50 mg)
  - Add 200 µl Tissue Lysis Buffer.
  - Add 40 µl Proteinase K (reconstituted).
  - Mix and incubate at overnight 37°C.
- ⑤
  - Add 20 µl Proteinase K (reconstituted).
  - Incubate for 1 - 2 h at 55°C.
  - ⚠ After this incubation step, no crude tissue particles should be visible.
- ⑥
  - Add 200 µl Binding Buffer and mix thoroughly.
  - Mix thoroughly and incubate 10 min at 70°C.
- ⑦
  - Add 100 µl isopropanol and mix well.
  - Use an automatic pipette to draw part of the sample into a 1 ml pipette tip.  
⌚ This treatment draws insoluble tissue segments into the pipette tip and blocks it.
  - Withdraw the pipette tip, carrying the insoluble tissue segments with it.
- ⑧
  - Insert one High Filter Tube in one Collection Tube.
  - Pipet the remainder of the liquid sample into the upper buffer reservoir of the Filter Tube.
  - Insert the entire High Pure Filter Tube assembly into a standard table-top centrifuge and centrifuge 1 min at 8,000 × g.
- ⑨ Proceed to Washing and Elution section 2.8.

## 2.8 Protocol for Washing and Elution

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- 1 After centrifugation:
    - Remove the Filter Tube from the Collection Tube, discard the flowthrough liquid, and the Collection Tube.
    - Combine the Filter Tube with a new Collection Tube.
    - Add 500  $\mu\text{l}$  Inhibitor Removal Buffer to the upper reservoir of the Filter Tube.
    - Centrifuge 1 min at  $8,000 \times g$ .
  - 2
    - Remove the Filter Tube from the Collection Tube, discard the flowthrough liquid, and the Collection Tube.
    - Combine the Filter Tube with a new Collection Tube.
    - Add 500  $\mu\text{l}$  Wash Buffer to the upper reservoir of the Filter Tube.
    - Centrifuge 1 min at  $8,000 \times g$  and discard the flowthrough.
  - 3
    - Remove the Filter Tube from the Collection Tube, discard the flowthrough liquid, and the Collection Tube.
    - Combine the Filter Tube with a new Collection Tube.
    - Add 500  $\mu\text{l}$  Wash Buffer to the upper reservoir of the Filter Tube.
    - Centrifuge 1 min at  $8,000 \times g$  and discard the flowthrough.
  - 4 After discarding the flowthrough liquid:
    - Centrifuge the entire High Pure assembly for additional 10 s at full speed.
    - Discard the Collection Tube.
    - ③ The extra centrifugation time ensures removal of residual Wash Buffer.
  - 5 To elute the DNA:
    - Insert the Filter Tube into a clean, sterile 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube.
    - Add 200  $\mu\text{l}$  prewarmed Elution Buffer to the upper reservoir of the Filter Tube.
    - Centrifuge the tube assembly for 1 min at  $8,000 \times g$ .
  - 6 The microcentrifuge tube now contains the eluted plasmid DNA. Either use the eluted DNA directly or store the eluted DNA at  $+2$  to  $+8^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $-15$  to  $-25^{\circ}\text{C}$  for later analysis.  
Or if you want to add an RNase digestion see related procedures 2.9.
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**RNase treatment**

If you wish to remove RNA from the template before PCR treat your sample as follows:

- 1 Add to the eluted nucleic acids RNase and incubate as appropriate (see table below).
- 2 After treatment, the RNase can be removed from the DNA with the High Pure PCR Product Purification Kit.

Amount of cultured mammalian cells	Amount of RNase	Incubation time/temperature
10 <sup>6</sup>	0.5 µl	15 min at +15 to +25°C or 37°C

**LightCycler® PCR Sample Preparation**

**Sample Material** The High Pure PCR Template Preparation Kit has been evaluated for sample preparation for LightCycler® PCR with whole human blood and cultured K562 cells as sample material. Amplification has been performed in LightCycler® capillaries using SYBR Green I and HybProbe detection format. The following tables give information about the range of sample volume applied, modifications in the sample preparation procedure and expected results.

Sample	Volume/Amount Range	Typical conc./range [ng/µl]	Eluate use in LightCycler® PCR (µl)
Human whole blood	1 – 50 µl <sup>a)</sup>	0.5 – 25	1 – 5 [0.5 ng – 125 ng]
Cultured cells, K562	100 – 10 <sup>5</sup> cells	0.01 – 10	1 – 5 [0.01 ng– 50 ng]

<sup>a)</sup> Yields may vary between different blood donors because they may have different amounts of leukocytes.

**Procedure  
Modification**

The standard procedure for whole blood and cultured cells has been used for sample preparation for LightCycler® PCR except the elution volume was set to 50 µl in order to increase nucleic acid concentration for minute sample amounts. For larger sample amounts the standard elution volume of 200 µl can be applied.

Parameter	Sample Material	SYBR Green I		HybProbes	
		Min	Max	Min	Max
Cyclophilin A	blood	0.005 µl <sup>b)</sup>	100 µl	0.005 µl <sup>b)</sup>	100 µl
β-globin	cells	1 <sup>b)</sup>	10 <sup>4</sup>	1 <sup>b)</sup>	10 <sup>5</sup>

<sup>b)</sup> The used quantities of eluate correspond to these calculated amounts.  
The above table shows the minimal and maximal sample amounts which have been used for LightCycler® PCR with whole blood and cultured cells as sample material. The parameters human cyclophilin A and β-globin have been investigated. All values are for a 20 µl LightCycler® PCR when 5 µl of 50 µl total eluate is applied.



### 3. Results

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**Purity** Purified nucleic acids are free of other cellular components and DNA polymerase inhibitors.

Ⓢ RNA can be removed from purified NA with an optional RNase digestion.

**Expected Yield** Variable depending on sample type. The table below shows experimental results:

Sample	Amount	Yield (μg) Total nucleic acids
Human whole blood	200 μl <sup>1)</sup>	3 – 6
Buffy coat	200 μl <sup>1)</sup>	20
Cultured cells, K562	10 <sup>6</sup> cells <sup>2)</sup>	15 – 20
Calf thymus	25 mg	5 – 10
Mouse tail	0.2 – 0.5 cm (25 – 50 mg)	5 – 10
Bacterial cells	10 <sup>9</sup>	1 – 3
Yeast	10 <sup>8</sup>	10 – 13

<sup>1)</sup> Typical volume is 200 μl, maximum volume is 300 μl. Yields may vary between different blood donors because they may have different amounts of leukocytes.

<sup>2)</sup> The maximum possible cell number is  $1 \times 10^6$  but may already lead to a reduced yield, *i.e.* you cannot assume a linear 10fold increase in DNA yield when increasing the cell number from  $10^5$  to  $10^6$  cells.

## 4. Troubleshooting

	Possible Cause	Recommendation
<b>Low nucleic acid yield or purity.</b>	Kit stored under non-optimal conditions.	Store kit at +15 to +25°C at all times upon arrival.
	Buffers or other reagents were exposed to conditions that reduced their effectiveness.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Store all buffers at +15 to +25°C.</li> <li>• Close all reagent bottles tightly after each use to preserve pH, stability, and freedom from contamination.</li> <li>• After any lyophilized reagent is constituted aliquot it and store the aliquot at either +2 to +8°C or –15 to –25°C (as directed in the instruction manual).</li> </ul>
	Ethanol not added to Wash Buffer and Inhibitory Removal Buffer	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Add absolute ethanol to the buffers before using.</li> <li>2. After adding ethanol, mix the buffers well and store at +15 to +25°C.</li> <li>3. Always mark Wash Buffer vial and Inhibitory Removal Buffer vial to indicate whether ethanol has been added or not.</li> </ol>
<b>Low recovery of nucleic acids after elution.</b>	Reagents and samples not completely mixed.	Always mix the sample tube well after addition of each reagent.
	Non-optimal reagent has been used for elution. Alkaline pH is required for optimal elution.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Do not use water to elute nucleic acids from Filter Tube.</li> <li>• Use the Elution Buffer in the kit.</li> </ul>
<b>Incomplete or no restriction enzyme cleavage of product.</b>	Glass fibers which can co-elute with the nucleic acid may inhibit enzyme reactions.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. After elution step is complete, remove High Pure Filter from tube containing eluted sample and spin this sample tube for 1 minute at maximum speed.</li> <li>2. Transfer supernatant into a new tube without disturbing the glass fibers at the bottom of the original tube.</li> </ol>
<b>Absorbency (A<sub>260</sub>) reading of product too high.</b>	Glass fibers which can co-elute with nucleic acid, scatter light.	See suggestions under "Incomplete or no restriction enzyme cleavage of product" above.

#### 4. Troubleshooting, continued

**Purified DNA sample cannot easily be loaded into the well of an agarose gel, but instead "pops out" of the well as it is loaded.**

Possible Cause	Recommendation
Eluate containing the purified DNA product is contaminated with ethanol from the Wash Buffer.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. After the last wash step, make certain flowthrough solution containing Wash Buffer does not contact the bottom of the High Pure Filter Tube.</li> <li>2. If this has occurred, empty the Collection Tube and reinsert the contaminated filter, and re-centrifuge for 30 seconds.</li> </ol>

**Low yield.**

Proteinase K not completely solubilized.	<p>To solubilize the lyophilized Proteinase K completely:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Pipette 4.5 ml of double distilled water into the glass vial containing lyophilized Proteinase K.</li> <li>2. Stopper and invert the vial until all the lyophilizate (including any stuck to the rubber stopper) is dissolved.</li> <li>3. Aliquot the reconstituted enzyme, mark each aliquot with the date of reconstitution, and store at -15 to -25°C. Reconstituted Proteinase K is stable for 12 months when stored properly.</li> </ol>
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Incomplete lysis.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• After adding Proteinase K to the sample mix immediately.</li> <li>• Always mix lysate well with isopropanol before adding to the High Pure Filter Tube</li> </ul>
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**Low yield from tissue.**

Incomplete Proteinase K digestion.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Cut tissue into small pieces before digestion and lysis.</li> <li>• Increase incubation time with Proteinase K in either of two ways: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>1. Incubate tissue with Proteinase K overnight.</li> <li>2. Incubate with Proteinase K for 3 - 4 h, then add a fresh aliquot of Proteinase K (30 µl) and incubate another 1 - 2 h.</li> </ol> </li> </ul> <p>⚠ To accommodate increased volume (sample and enzyme), use 230 µl Binding Buffer instead of 200 µl in step 2 of procedure 2.4.</p>
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#### 4. Troubleshooting, continued

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	Possible Cause	Recommendation
<b>Low yield from bacteria or yeast.</b>	Cells are not lysed efficiently with lysozyme (bacteria) or lyticase (yeast).	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Make sure that your cells can be lysed by lysozyme or lyticase.</li><li>• The instruction manual lists some recommended strains (which are known to be lysed by the enzymes).</li><li>• Use alternative lysis procedures, such as mechanical grinding, vortexing with glass beads, boiling or repeated freeze-thaw.</li></ul>
<b>Degraded DNA from tissue samples.</b>	Nuclease activity in unlysed tissue.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Tissue should be frozen (–15 to –25°C) from the time of harvest until the lysis procedure starts.</li><li>• Use only small pieces of tissue (20 - 40 mg), in the procedure or homogenize tissue sample.</li></ul>
<b>Eluate from blood is still slightly colored.</b>	Incomplete wash.	<ol style="list-style-type: none"><li>1. Wash Filter Tube until flowthrough is colorless.</li><li>2. Repeat purification by using 200 µl eluate from the first purification round as starting material; add 200 µl Binding Buffer, mix well, then add 100 µl isopropanol.</li><li>3. Follow corresponding procedure, starting with the application of the sample to the High Pure Filter Tube (step 4).</li></ol> <p>⚠ Omit Proteinase K digestion and 70°C incubation.</p>

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## 5. Additional Information on this Product

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### How this Product Works

Cells are lysed during a short incubation with Proteinase K in the presence of a chaotropic salt (guanidine-HCl), which immediately inactivates all nucleases. Cellular nucleic acids (NA) bind selectively to special glass fibers pre-packed in the High Pure Purification Filter Tube. Bound NA is purified in a series of rapid "wash-and-spin" steps to remove contaminating cellular components. A special Inhibitor Removal Buffer has been included which allows even the application of heparinized sample material with ~ 100 U/ml of Heparin. Finally, low salt elution releases the NA from the glass fiber. This simple method eliminates the need for organic solvent extractions and DNA precipitation, allowing for rapid purification of many samples simultaneously.

### Test Principle

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- ① Blood, cells or tissue are lysed by incubation with a special Lysis Buffer and Proteinase K.
  - ② Nucleic acids are bound to the glass fibers pre-packed in the High Pure Filter Tube.
  - ③ Bound nucleic acids are washed with a special Inhibitor Removal Buffer to get rid of PCR inhibitory contaminants.
  - ④ Washing of bound nucleic acids, purification from salts, proteins and other cellular impurities.
  - ⑤ Purified Nucleic Acids are recovered using the Elution Buffer.
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## 5. Additional Information on this Product, continued

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### Quality Control

At least 5 µg of DNA is isolated from 25 mg calf thymus when treated as described in the protocol for tissue samples. After RNase digestion the DNA concentration is determined. 100 ng of the nucleic acid is used with specific primer for amplification of a 1.5 kb DNA fragment of the gene for terminal transferase and the expected amplification product is obtained. The quality of the nucleic acid is controlled in an Expand Long Template PCR with a 15 kb amplification product.

## 6. Supplementary Information

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### 6.1 Conventions

**Text Conventions** To make information consistent and memorable, the following text conventions are used in this Instruction Manual:

Text Convention	Use
Numbered stages labeled ①, ②, etc	Stages in a process that usually occur in the order listed
Numbered instructions labeled ①, ②, etc	Steps in a procedure that must be performed in the order listed
Asterisk *	Denotes a product available from Roche Applied Science.

### Symbols

In this Instruction Manual, the following symbols are used to highlight important information:

Symbol	Description
	Information Note: Additional information about the current topic or procedure.
	Important Note: Information critical to the success of the procedure or use of the product.

### 6.2 Changes to Previous Versions

Proteinase K is now available as recombinant enzyme. For proper storage and usage, please see chapter 1 of this manual.

## 6.3 Ordering Information

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Expand Long Template PCR System	100 U	11 681 834 001
	500 U	11 681 842 001
	10 × 250 U	11 759 060 001
Expand 20 kb <sup>PLUS</sup> PCR System	100 U	11 811 002 001
PCR Core Kit	1 kit (100 PCR reactions)	11 578 553 001
PCR Core Kit <sup>PLUS</sup>	1 kit (100 PCR and UNG reactions)	11 585 541 001
LightCycler® DNA Master Hyb-Probe	1 kit (96 reactions)	12 015 102 001
	1 kit (480 reactions)	12 158 825 001
LightCycler® FastStart DNA Master HybProbe	1 kit (96 reactions)	03 003 248 001
	1 kit (480 reactions)	12 239 272 001
LightCycler® FastStart DNA Master <sup>PLUS</sup> HybProbe	1 kit (96 reactions)	03 515 575 001
	1 kit (480 reactions)	03 515 567 001
LightCycler® DNA Master SYBR Green I	1 kit (96 reactions)	12 015 099 001
	1 kit (480 reactions)	12 158 817 001
LightCycler® FastStart DNA Master SYBR Green I	1 kit (96 reactions)	03 003 230 001
	1 kit (480 reactions)	12 239 264 001
LightCycler® FastStart DNA Master <sup>PLUS</sup> SYBR Green I	1 kit (96 reactions)	03 515 869 001
	1 kit (480 reactions)	03 515 885 001
LightCycler® Control Kit DNA	1 kit (50 reactions)	12 158 833 001
High Pure PCR Product Purification Kit	50 purifications	11 732 668 001
	250 purifications	11 732 676 001



## 6.2 Ordering Information, continued

	Product	Pack Size	Cat. No.
Single reagents	Lysozyme	10 g	10 837 059 001
	Buffers in a Box Premixed PBS buffer(10×)	4 l	11 666 789 001
	RNase, DNase-free	500 g (1 ml)	11 119 915 001
	Taq DNA Polymerase	100 U	11 146 165 001
	5 U/μl	500 U	11 146 173 001
	1 U/μl	4 × 250 U	11 418 432 001
		10 × 250 U	11 596 594 001
		20 × 250 U	11 435 094 001
		250 U	11 647 679 001
		4 × 250 U	11 647 687 001
	Uracil-DNA Glycosylase, heat-labile	100 U	11 775 367 001
		500 U	11 775 375 001

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