

**PRODUCT INFORMATION**

# T4 RNA Ligase

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Lot: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_      Expiry Date: \_ \_ \_ \_ \_

Concentration:      10 u/μl

Supplied with:      0.2 ml of 10X Reaction Buffer  
                                 0.2 ml of 1 mg/ml BSA

**Store at -20°C**

BSA included

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## Description

T4 RNA Ligase catalyzes the ATP-dependent intra- and intermolecular formation of phosphodiester bonds between 5'-phosphate and 3'-hydroxyl termini of oligonucleotides, single-stranded RNA and DNA.

The minimal substrate is a nucleoside 3',5'-biphosphate in intermolecular reaction and oligonucleotide of 8 bases in intramolecular reaction.

## Applications

- RNA 3'-end labeling with cytidine 3',5'- bis [ $\alpha$ -<sup>32</sup>P] phosphate (1).
- Joining RNA to RNA (2).
- Synthesis of oligoribonucleotides and oligodeoxyribonucleotides (3, 4).
- Specific modifications of tRNAs (5).
- Oligodeoxyribonucleotide ligation to single-stranded cDNAs for 5'-RACE (Rapid Amplification of cDNA Ends) (6).
- Site-specific generation of composite primers for PCR (7).

## Source

*E.coli* cells with a cloned gene 63 of bacteriophage T4.

## Definition of Activity Unit

One unit of the enzyme catalyzes the conversion of 1 nmol of 5'-[<sup>32</sup>P]- $(A)_{12-18}$  to a phosphatase-resistant form in 30 min at 37°C.

Enzyme activity is assayed in the following mixture: 50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.5), 10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 10 mM DTT, 1 mM ATP, 10 μM 5'-[<sup>32</sup>P]- $(A)_{12-18}$  (10 μM in 5'-termini).

## Storage Buffer

The enzyme is supplied in: 20 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.5), 1 mM DTT, 50 mM KCl, 0.1 mM EDTA, 0.03% (v/v) ELUGENT Detergent and 50% (v/v) glycerol.

## 10X Reaction Buffer

500 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.5 at 25°C), 100 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>, 100 mM DTT, 10 mM ATP.

## Inhibition and Inactivation

- Inhibitors: metal chelators, SH group-modifying reagents (8).
- Inactivated by heating at 70°C for 10 min.

## Note

The recommended BSA concentration in the reaction mixture is 0.1 mg/ml.

## CERTIFICATE OF ANALYSIS

### Endodeoxyribonuclease Assay

No conversion of covalently closed circular DNA to nicked DNA was detected after incubation of 50 units of T4 RNA Ligase with 1 μg of pUC19 DNA for 4 hours at 37°C.

### Ribonuclease Assay

No contaminating RNase activity was detected after incubation of 50 units of T4 RNA Ligase with 1 μg of [<sup>3</sup>H]-RNA for 4 hours at 37°C.

### Labeled Oligonucleotide (LO) Assay

No degradation of single-stranded and double-stranded labeled oligonucleotide was observed after incubation with 20 units of T4 RNA Ligase for 4 hours at 37°C.

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