Exonuclease T

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250 units **5,000 U/ml** **Lot: 0021205**

RECOMBINANT **Store at –20°C Exp: 5/14**

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Supplied in: 50 mM KCl, 10 mM Tris-HCl (pH 7.4), 0.1 mM EDTA, 1 mM DTT, 200 µg/ml BSA and 50% glycerol.

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Reaction Conditions: 1X NEBuffer 4.
Incubate at 25°C.

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pH 7.9 @ 25°C

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Unit Assay Conditions: 1X NEBuffer 4, 1 nmol [^{3}H]-labeled polythymidine DNA and enzyme.

Heat Inactivation: 65°C for 20 minutes.

Notes On Use: Exo T has different activity on RNA vs. DNA. For RNA, 1 unit of Exo T is required to completely digest 1.0 pmol of rA20 under standard reaction conditions as measured by gel electrophoresis.

Quality Control Assays

5´→ 3´ ss and ds Exonuclease Activity: No detectable 5´→ 3´ nuclease activity was observed when 10 units of Exonuclease T was incubated with substrates containing either 5´ extensions or blunt ends.

Endonuclease Activity: Incubation of 10 units of Exonuclease T with 1 µg ϕX174 RF I DNA for 4 hours at 25°C in 50 µl reaction buffer resulted in < 10% conversion to RF II.

Quality Assurance: Free of detectable endonucleases and exonucleases.

References:

1. Deutscher, M. P., Marlor, C. W. and Zaniewski, R. (1984) *Proc. Natl. Acad. Sci. USA* 81, 4290–4293.
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