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#### Protocol for Genomic DNA Digestion:

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**16-Hour Incubation:** A 50  $\mu$ I reaction containing 1  $\mu$ g of unmethylated substrate [pBR322 (dcm–)] and 40 units of enzyme incubated for 16 hours at 37°C resulted in a DNA pattern free of detectable nuclease degradation as determined by agarose gel electrophoresis.

**Exonuclease Activity:** Incubation of 40 units of enzyme with 1  $\mu$ g of a mixture of single and double-stranded <sup>3</sup>H *E. coli* DNA (10<sup>5</sup> cpm/ $\mu$ g) for 4 hours at 37°C in 50  $\mu$ l reaction buffer released < 0.1% radioactivity.

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**RNase Assay:** Incubation of a 10 µl reaction

### **Enzyme Properties**

- Activity in NEBuffers: NEBuffer 1 NR
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