

Thermo Scientific Verso 1-Step QRT-PCR Low ROX Kit

Description

Verso™ 1-Step QRT-PCR Low ROX Kit has been developed to quantify RNA in a single step assay. With the exception of primers, template and probes, this kit contains in three vials all the components required to perform rapid, sensitive and reproducible QRT-PCR.

Verso™ Enzyme Mix

The Verso™ Reverse Transcriptase is active at high temperatures, is highly sensitive and can generate long cDNA strands. This mix also contains RNase inhibitor to protect RNA templates from degradation.

RT Enhancer is included to remove contaminating DNA, eliminating the need for DNase I treatment.

1-Step QPCR Low ROX Mix, which contains:

- A proprietary reaction buffer which provides highly sensitive, specific and consistent fluorescence readings for real-time and end-point analysis. This buffer has been optimized to allow both reverse transcription and PCR amplification to occur in the same reaction across a wide range of templates.
- Thermo-Start™ DNA Polymerase, a chemically modified hot-start version of Thermoprime Plus DNA Polymerase, which prevents non-specific amplification during cDNA synthesis. Thermo-Start™ requires an **activation step at 95°C for 15 minutes**.
- An inert blue dye to assist in the visualization of the 1-Step QPCR Low ROX Mix after aliquoting into the reaction well.
- dTTP to improve reaction sensitivity and efficiency compared to dUTP.
- ROX passive reference dye for normalization of data.

INFORMATION

Kit Contents

Vial	Pack Size (cap color)		
	A	B	C
Verso Enzyme Mix	50µl (white)	500µl (white)	100µl (white)
RT Enhancer	250µl (yellow)	5 x 500µl (yellow)	500µl (yellow)
1-Step QPCR Low ROX Mix (2X)	2 x 1.25ml (clear)	20 x 1.25ml (clear)	5ml (clear)

Verso™ Reverse Transcriptase

Verso™ is an RNA-dependent DNA polymerase with a significantly attenuated RNase H activity compared to *Reverse-iT™*. Verso™ synthesizes cDNA at a temperature range of 42°C to 57°C and is inactivated during the activation step of the Thermo-Start™ DNA Polymerase. Verso™ can reverse transcribe total RNA from 1 pg - 1 µg. The recommended amount of total RNA template to use in 1-step kits is between 1 pg - 100 ng.

Thermo-Start™ DNA Polymerase

The enzyme requires an activation step at 95°C for 15 minutes.

Thermo-Start™ has 5' to 3' polymerization and exonuclease activity but lacks 3' to 5' exonuclease activity (proofreading).

ROX Dye

ROX is an internal passive reference dye used to normalize the fluorescent reporter signal generated in QPCR. The concentration of ROX in the final 1X reaction is 25 nM.

RT Enhancer

RT Enhancer is included to remove contaminating DNA, eliminating the need for DNase I treatment. It degrades double stranded DNA during the transcription of RNA and is inactivated during the activation step of the Thermo-Start™ DNA Polymerase.

Cycler & Probe Compatibility

Verso™ 1-Step QRT-PCR Low ROX Kit is compatible for use with any probe system and with QPCR cyclers requiring low ROX dye levels, including ABI PRISM® 7500 and Stratagene Mx4000®, Mx3000P®, Mx3005P™.

Storage Conditions

Store at -20°C until ready for use. Verso™ 1-Step QRT-PCR Low ROX Kit is stable for a minimum of 12 months. Avoid repeated freeze thawing. The ROX dye is light sensitive, exposure should be minimized. Shipped on ice within the UK and on dry ice for international and within the US.

Additional Info

- The use of disposable gloves, RNase and DNase free filter tips and plastics is recommended.
 - For optimal results, the recommended amplicon length is in the range of 60 to 300 bp.
 - As best performance is achieved with dTTP, the 1-Step QPCR Low ROX Mix contains a nucleotide mix with dTTP instead of dUTP.
 - RT Enhancer is not required if DNase I treatment is performed prior to QRT-PCR.
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Tips before use

Thaw the reagents on ice. Mix and spin down the solutions before use to recover the maximum amount. **Do not vortex the 1-Step QPCR Low ROX Mix or the Verso Enzyme Mix.** Briefly centrifuge to avoid bubbles within the wells, as these will interfere with the fluorescence. Always include a no template control (NTC) and a no enzyme control (NEC).

PROTOCOL

Example of reaction mix preparation.

The volume of each component is for a **25 µl final reaction**.

		Volume	Final Concentration
Reaction Mix	Verso Enzyme Mix	0.25 µl	
	1-Step QPCR Low ROX Mix (2X)	12.5 µl	1X
	RT Enhancer	1.25 µl	
	Forward primer (10 µM) ^a	1 µl	400 nM
	Reverse primer (10 µM) ^a	1 µl	400 nM
	Probe	Variable	100 - 250 nM
	Water (PCR grade) ^b	Variable	
	Template (RNA) ^c	1 - 5 µl	1 ng
	Total volume	25 µl	

Example of a **1-Step QRT-PCR thermal cycling program**:

	Temp.	Time	Number of cycle
cDNA Synthesis ^d	50°C	15 min	1 cycle
Thermo-Start activation	95°C	15 min	1 cycle
Denaturation	95°C	15 sec	40 cycles
Annealing/Extension ^e	60°C	60 sec	

Notes

- a – For optimization, a primer titration should be performed from 100 nM to 500 nM final concentration. Scale up or down the volume and concentration as appropriate.
- b – The volume of the total reaction should be completed up to 25 µl with water.
- c – The amount of total RNA added as a template should be between 1 pg and 100 ng.
- d – Depending on the length of template and degree of secondary structure, the efficiency of the first strand synthesis may be improved by optimizing temperature and time (42-57°C for 5-30 minutes).
- e – Separate annealing (50-60°C for 30 sec) and extension steps (72°C for 30 sec) may be necessary with some probe systems (e.g. Molecular Beacons), as the optimal temperature for detecting fluorescence may be different.

Quality control

Verso™ Enzyme Mix and 1-Step QPCR Low ROX Mix are tested functionally for use in QRT-PCR. The product must demonstrate linearity of amplification over a specified serial dilution of human total RNA.

Ordering Information

AB-4102/A	Verso™ 1-Step QRT-PCR Low ROX Kit	200 x 25 µl rxns
AB-4102/B	Verso™ 1-Step QRT-PCR Low ROX Kit	2,000 x 25 µl rxns
AB-4102/C	Verso™ 1-Step QRT-PCR Low ROX Kit	400 x 25 µl rxns

Related Products

Cat. No.	Description	Quantity
AB-0600/W	Thermo-Fast™ 96 Non-Skirted, white *	25 plates
AB-1100/W	Thermo-Fast™ 96 PCR Detection Plate, white *	25 plates
AB-1400/W	Thermo-Fast™ 96 PCR Detection Plate Mark II, white *	25 plates
AB-1170	ABsolute™ QPCR Seal (adhesive seal)	50 sheets
AB-0812	Clear Seal Diamond (heat seal)	100 sheets
AB-0866	Ultra Clear Cap Strips (8 caps)	120 strips

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