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1. Description

The pGEM[®]-4Z Vector is intended for use as a standard cloning vector, as well as for the highly efficient synthesis of RNA *in vitro*. The vector carries the *lacZ* α -peptide and multiple cloning region arrangement from pUC18 (1). In addition, the vector contains both the SP6 and T7 RNA polymerase promoters flanking the multiple cloning region. This arrangement gives rise to a functional α -peptide that is capable of complementing the product of the *lacZ* Δ M15 gene to produce functional β -galactosidase. Cells with the genotype, *lacZ* Δ M15, and also containing the pGEM[®]-4Z Vector will be blue in color when plated on indicator media containing IPTG and X-Gal. However, when the *lacZ* α -peptide is disrupted by cloning into the pGEM[®]-4Z multiple cloning region, complementation does not occur, and no β -galactosidase activity is produced. Therefore, bacterial colonies harboring recombinant pGEM[®]-4Z Vector constructs remain white.

The sequences of Promega vectors are available online at:
www.promega.com/vectors/ and from the GenBank[®] database.

2. Product Components and Storage Conditions

Product	Size	Cat.#
pGEM [®] -4Z Vector	20µg	P2161

The pGEM[®]-4Z Vector is provided with a glycerol stock of bacterial strain JM109. The JM109 cells do not contain the vector and are not competent.

Storage Conditions: Store the pGEM[®]-4Z Vector at -20°C and the glycerol stock of JM109 cells at -70°C.

3. pGEM[®]-4Z Vector Multiple Cloning Region and Circle Map

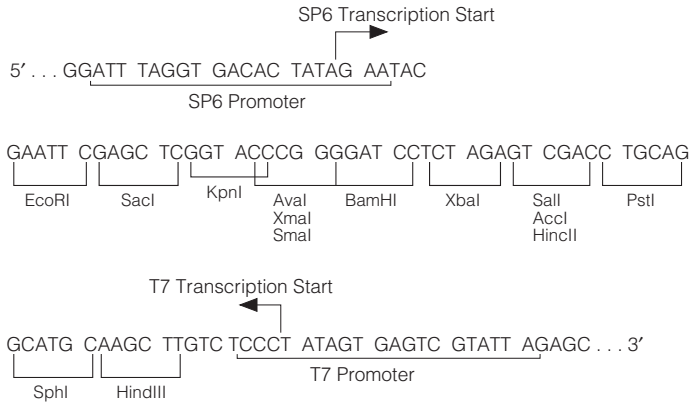


Figure 1. pGEM[®]-4Z Vector promoter and multiple cloning region sequence. The sequence shown corresponds to RNA synthesized by SP6 RNA polymerase and is complementary to RNA synthesized by T7 RNA polymerase.

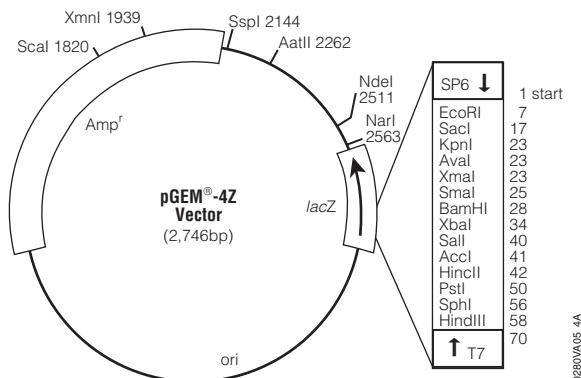


Figure 2. pGEM®-4Z Vector circle map and sequence reference points. The pGEM®-3Z and pGEM®-4Z Vectors are identical except for the orientation of the SP6 and T7 promoters.

pGEM®-4Z Vector sequence reference points:

SP6 RNA polymerase transcription initiation site	1
multiple cloning region	7–63
T7 RNA polymerase promoter (-17 to +3)	68–87
T7 RNA polymerase transcription initiation site	70
<i>lac</i> operon sequences	96–325; 2566–2726
binding site of pUC/M13 Reverse Sequencing Primer	106–122
<i>lacZ</i> start codon	110
<i>lacZ</i> operator	130–146
β-lactamase (<i>Amp^r</i>) coding region	1267–2127
binding site of pUC/M13 Forward Sequencing Primer	2686–2702
SP6 RNA polymerase promoter (-17 to +3)	2730–3

Specialized applications of the pGEM®-4Z Vector:

- Blue/white screening for recombinants.
- Transcription in vitro from dual-opposed promoters (For protocol information, please see the *Riboprobe® in vitro Transcription Systems Technical Manual*, #TM016.)

Note: All Promega technical literature is available at: www.promega.com/tbs

4. pGEM®-4Z Vector Restriction Sites

The following restriction enzyme tables were constructed using DNASTAR® sequence analysis software. Please note that we have not verified this information by restriction digestion with each enzyme listed. The location given specifies the 3' end of the cut DNA (the base to the left of the cut site). For more information on the cut sites of these enzymes, or if you identify a discrepancy, please contact your local Promega Branch or Distributor. In the U.S., contact Promega Technical Services at 800-356-9526. Vector sequences are available in the GenBank® database (GenBank®/EMBL Accession Number X65305) and on the Internet at: www.promega.com/vectors/

Table 1. Restriction Enzymes That Cut the pGEM®-4Z Vector Between 1 and 5 Times.

Enzyme	# of Sites	Location	Enzyme	# of Sites	Location
AatII	1	2262	BstOI	5	187, 475, 596,
AccI	1	41			609, 2682
Acc65I	1	19	BstXI	1	2725
AcyI	3	1877, 2259, 2563	Cfr10I	1	1420
AflIII	1	447	DraI	3	1206, 1225, 1917
Alw26I	5	69, 1401, 2177, 2330, 2372	DraII	1	2316
			DrdI	2	555, 2424
Alw44I	3	761, 2007, 2504	EaeI	3	286, 1728, 2715
AlwNI	1	863	EarI	3	331, 2135, 2623
AspHI	5	17, 765, 1926, 2011, 2508	EclHKI	1	1340
			EcoICRI	1	15
AvaI	1	23	EcoRI	1	7
AvaII	2	1478, 1700	EheI	1	2564
BamHI	1	28	FokI	5	1306, 1487, 1774, 2417, 2661
BanI	4	19, 191, 1288, 2562	FspI	2	1562, 2585
			HaeII	3	325, 695, 2566
BanII	1	17	HgaI	4	558, 1136, 1866, 2424
BbeI	1	2566			
BbuI	1	56	HincII	1	42
BglI	2	1460, 2578	HindII	1	42
Bsa I	1	1401	HindIII	1	58
BsaHI	3	1877, 2259, 2563	Hsp92I	3	1877, 2259, 2563
BsaJI	5	23, 24, 186, 607, 2681	KasI	1	2562
BsaOI	5	363, 787, 1710, 1859, 2606	KpnI	1	23
			MaeI	4	35, 942, 1195, 1530
Bsp1286I	5	17, 765, 1926, 2011, 2508	MaeII	5	1150, 1566, 1939, 2259, 2701
BspHI	3	1167, 2175, 2280			
BspMI	1	53	NarI	1	2563
BssSI	3	620, 2004, 2311	NdeI	1	2511

Table 1. Restriction Enzymes That Cut the pGEM[®]-4Z Vector Between 1 and 5 Times (continued).

Enzyme	# of Sites	Location	Enzyme	# of Sites	Location
NspI	3	56, 451, 2368	SinI	2	1478, 1700
PleI	5	46, 85, 341, 826, 1329	SmaI	1	25
PspAI	1	23	SphI	1	56
PstI	1	50	Sse8387I	1	50
PvuI	2	1710, 2606	SspI	1	2144
PvuII	2	271, 2635	TaqI	4	11, 41, 547, 1991
RsaI	3	21, 1820, 2496	TfiI	2	282, 422
SacI	1	17	VspI	3	218, 277, 1512
SalI	1	40	XbaI	1	34
SalI	1	40	XmaI	1	23
SalI	1	1820	XmnI	1	1939

Table 2. Restriction Enzymes That Do Not Cut the pGEM[®]-4Z Vector.

AccIII	BsaBI	DsaI	NheI	SacII
AccB7I	BsaMI	EagI	NotI	SfiI
AflIII	BsmI	Eco47III	NruI	SgfI
AgeI	Bsp120I	Eco52I	NsiI	SgrAI
ApaI	BsrGI	Eco72I	Pacl	SnaBI
AscI	BssHIII	Eco81I	Paer7I	SpeI
AvrII	Bst1107I	EcoNI	PfIMI	SpII
BalI	Bst98I	EcoRV	PinAI	SrfI
BbrPI	BstEII	FseI	PmeI	StuI
BbsI	BstZI	HpaI	PmlI	StyI
BclI	Bsu36I	I-PpoI	Ppu10I	Swal
BglII	Clal	MluI	PpuMI	Tth111I
BlpI	CspI	NaeI	PshAI	XcmI
Bpu1102I	Csp45I	NcoI	Psp5II	XhoI
BsaAI	DraII	NgoMIV	RsrII	

Table 3. Restriction Enzymes That Cut the pGEM[®]-4Z Vector 6 or More Times.

AcI	CfoI	HinfI	MnlI	NlaIV
AluI	DdeI	HpaII	MseI	Sau3AI
BbvI	DpnI	HphI	MspI	Sau96I
BsrI	DpnII	Hsp92II	MspA1I	ScrFI
BsrSI	Fnu4HI	MaeIII	NciI	SfaNI
Bst71I	HaeIII	Mbol	NdeII	Tru9I
BstUI	HhaI	MbolI	NlaIII	XhoII

Note: The enzymes listed in boldface type are available from Promega.

5. Related Products

pGEM® Vectors

Product	Size	Cat.#
pGEM®-3Z Vector	20µg	P2151
pGEM®-3Zf(+) Vector	20µg	P2271
pGEM®-3Zf(-) Vector	20µg	P2261
pGEM®-5Zf(+) Vector	20µg	P2241
pGEM®-5Zf(-) Vector	20µg	P2351
pGEM®-7Zf(+) Vector	20µg	P2251
pGEM®-7Zf(-) Vector	20µg	P2371
pGEM®-9Zf(-) Vector	20µg	P2391
pGEM®-11Zf(+) Vector	20µg	P2411
pGEM®-11Zf(-) Vector	20µg	P2421
pGEM®-13Zf(+) Vector	20µg	P2541

All pGEM® Vectors are provided with a glycerol stock of bacterial strain JM109. The JM109 cells do not contain the vector and are not competent.

Other Vectors

Product	Size	Cat.#
pSP64 Poly(A) Vector	20µg	P1241
pSP72 Vector	20µg	P2191
pSP73 Vector	20µg	P2221

Sequencing Primers

Product	Size	Cat.#
SP6 Promoter Primer	2µg	Q5011
T7 Promoter Primer	2µg	Q5021
pUC/M13 Primer, Reverse (17mer)	2µg	Q5401
pUC/M13 Primer, Forward (17mer)	2µg	Q5391
pUC/M13 Primer, Forward (24mer)	2µg	Q5601
pUC/M13 Primer, Reverse (22mer)	2µg	Q5421

Riboprobe® in vitro Transcription Systems

Product	Cat.#
Riboprobe® System – SP6	P1420
Riboprobe® System – T7	P1440

For Laboratory Use.

RiboMAX™ Large-Scale RNA Production Systems

Product	Cat.#
RiboMAX™ Large Scale RNA Production System—SP6	P1280
RiboMAX™ Large Scale RNA Production System—T7	P1300
T7 RiboMAX™ Express Large Scale RNA Production System	P1320

For Laboratory Use.

6. Reference

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