

# Get high-fidelity PCR with high yield and specificity

When your PCR applications demand lower error rates, look to Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* DNA Polymerase. This novel enzyme combines the performance advantages of Platinum<sup>®</sup> hot-start technology—high yield, specificity, and sensitivity—with a high-fidelity recombinant DNA polymerase from *Pyrococcus* species. You'll achieve superior PCR results compared with other high-fidelity enzymes. Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* offers:

- Up to 20 times greater yield than *PfuTurbo®* DNA polymerase
- Better fidelity than PfuTurbo DNA polymerase
- Higher sensitivity than other proofreading enzymes

## Sensitivity, Specificity, and Fidelity

#### Fewer errors, superior performance

Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* DNA Polymerase is precomplexed with specific monoclonal antibodies to inhibit DNA polymerase and 3' exonuclease activities during PCR assembly and the initial denaturation step. This configuration significantly reduces or eliminates pre-PCR misprimings, primer-dimers, artifacts, and any other non-specific amplification. Besides providing high specificity, Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* offers the benefit of proofreading activity. Its  $3' \rightarrow 5'$  exonuclease activity eradicates mismatched base pairings, so you'll get fewer errors in your PCR product. Moreover, Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* offers higher sensitivity than other high-fidelity PCR enzymes (Figure 1). You'll use less template and fewer units of enzyme, conserving material for additional experiments and saving reagents.

#### Meet the demand of your applications

Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* DNA Polymerase amplifies genomic templates up to 12 kb and plasmid templates up to 20 kb. It is ideal for demanding PCR applications such as site-directed mutagenesis and expression

cloning. In addition, Platinum<sup>\*</sup> Pfx DNA Polymerase comes supplied with  $PCR_x$  Enhancer Solution, a novel PCR co-solvent, to facilitate amplification of GC-rich sequences and problematic templates. For high-fidelity RT-PCR, combine Pfx DNA Polymerase with the ThermoScript<sup>\*\*</sup> RT-PCR System or SuperScript<sup>\*\*</sup> First-Strand Synthesis System for RT-PCR.

#### Figure 1 - High sensitivity with Platinum<sup>®</sup> Pfx DNA Polymerase



Human genomic DNA (0 to 100 ng) was amplified with 0.3  $\mu$ M each primer (for thrombospondin), 0.3 mM dNTPs, 1X *Pfx* Buffer, 1 mM MgSO<sub>4</sub>, and 1.25 units Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* DNA Polymerase for 35 cycles.

## The fidelity of high fidelity

Some proofreading enzymes are difficult to optimize and often generate low yields. By contrast, Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx* provides the high yield and specificity you need without non-specific

amplification (Figures 2 and 3). With Platinum<sup>®</sup> *Pfx*, you get better results than the competition. No compromise required. Call and order today.

### Figure 2 - Better fidelity and yield over a wide range of target sizes



A sample of 200 ng K562 genomic DNA was amplified in duplicate with 1.25 units of Platinum<sup>®</sup> Pfx DNA Polymerase or 2.5 units of PfuTurbo DNA Polymerase. Platinum<sup>®</sup> Pfx DNA Polymerase reactions were assembled at room temperature; PfuTurbo reactions were assembled on ice. Targets were a 256 bp human beta globin (HBG); 1.0 kb, 1.8 kb, 5.2 kb, and 8.4 kb human myosin heavy chain (HMY HC);

2.7 kb, 4.5 kb, and 7.5 kb myelin ologodendrocyte glycoprotein (MOG); and 802 bp thrombospondin (TS) heavy chain gene.

Figure 3 - High yield without the extra bands



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Product	Quantity	Cat. no.
Platinum <sup>®</sup> Pfx DNA Polymerase	100 units	11708-013
	250 units	11708-021
	500 units	11708-039
ThermoScript <sup>™</sup> RT-PCR System for First Strand cDNA Synthesis		
	25 rxns	11146-024
	100 rxns	11146-016
SuperScript <sup>™</sup> First-Strand Synthesis System for RT-PCR		
	50 rxns	11904-018

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