

***E. coli* Gyrase for ATPase Assays**



Product Description (Product Number ATPG001)

Gyrase subunits were prepared from the over producing strains JMtacA and JMtacB (Hallett, *et al.*, 1990) and the Gyr B subunit then further purified. It is supplied as an A₂B₂ complex at a concentration of 1U/10 µl (0.5 µM) in Dilution Buffer.

Store at -80 °C. Not tested for long term stability.

For *in vitro* laboratory research use only.

Assay Buffer (supplied as 5X stock)

50 mM Tris.HCl (pH 7.5)
1 mM EDTA
5 mM MgCl₂
5 mM DTT
10 % (w/v) glycerol

Dilution Buffer

50 mM Tris.HCl (pH 7.5)
100 mM KCl
2 mM DTT
1 mM EDTA
50 % (w/v) glycerol

DNA Substrate

0.4 µM pBR322 linearised with EcoR1.
Use at 2.5 µl/100 µl assay to give a final concentration of 10 nM.

ATPase Assay

The coupled enzyme ATPase assay is based on the conversion of phosphoenolpyruvate (PEP) to pyruvate kinase (PK) coupled to the conversion of pyruvate to lactate by lactate dehydrogenase (LDH). This step requires NADH which is oxidized to NAD⁺. NADH absorbs strongly at 340 nM but NAD⁺ does not, enabling the reduction of NADH over time to be followed by monitoring the decrease in absorbance at 340 nM.

Assays should be carried out under the following conditions at 25°C in clear, 96-well flat bottomed plates

1 U of gyrase is incubated at 25 °C in a final volume of 100 µl containing 1X assay buffer, 800 µM phosphoenolpyruvate, 400 µM NADH, 1.5 µl phosphokinase/lactate dehydrogenase (PK/LDH) enzyme mix (Sigma P0294) plus or minus DNA and inhibitors. The mix is equilibrated for 10 mins at 25 °C. Reactions are then initiated by the addition of ATP (Mg²⁺) to 2 mM and the decrease in A₃₄₀ measured over time.

Reference

Hallett, P., Grimshaw, A.J., Wigley, D.B. and Maxwell, A. (1990) Cloning of the DNA gyrase genes under *tac* promoter control: overproduction of the gyrase A and B proteins. *Gene* 93: 139-142