Mycoplasma testing for LOT release of biopharmaceuticals and ATMPs

Venor[®]GeM Classic, qEP, SP Kit - Beads, Sample Preparation,

10CFU[™] and 100CFU[™] Sensitivity Standards

Flexible

- PCR-based assays compatible with almost any commercially available cycler
- Product variants for conventional or real-time PCR

Powerful

- Highest robustness, sensitivity and specificity (>100 species detectable)
- ✓ Meets EP 2.6.7 / USP <1071>/ JP G3 criteria
- Incl. separate internal amplification control for optional process monitoring
- ✓ Available product validation

Convenient

- Pre-aliquoted PCR mix ensures long-term stability
- ✓ Lyophilized kit components simplify logistics and storage

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PCR-based assays for EP 2.6.7, USP<1071> and JPG3 compliant release testing: Venor[®]GeM Classic & qEP

Recommended use:

Applicable in research and industry. For direct screening of cell cultures and biologicals. For EP 2.6.7/JP G3/USP<1071> compliant release testing. Not applicable for clinical diagnostics.

Sample volume per PCR:

2 µl for screening (research); 10 µl for EP 2.6.7/ USP <1071>/JP G3 compliant testing

Validation: Validation report available on request.

For process validation and testing according to EP 2.6.7/USP<1071>/JP G3:

- 10CFU™ Sensitivity Standards available for all EP / JP - listed mycoplasma species
- 100CFU™ Sensitivity Standards
- Venor®GeM Sample Preparation Kit

Shelf life and storage:

Components can be stored at +2 to +8 °C for at least 12 months. After rehydration the reagents must be stored at \leq -18 °C until the expiry of the labelled shelf life.

Venor®GeM Classic

Description

Venor®GeM Classic is a basic PCR kit for fast, reliable and time-saving routine monitoring of mycoplasma contamination. After DNA extraction, the assay can be applied for testing of cell culture derived biologicals and biopharmaceuticals. The kit is designed to detect more than 100 Mollicutes species and was extensively tested on several common culture contaminants.

Order Information

Catalog number

Cat. No. 11-1025 Cat. No. 11-1050 Cat. No. 11-1100 Cat. No. 11-1250 25 Reactions 2 x 25 Reactions 4 x 25 Reactions 10 x 25 Reactions

Venor®GeM qEP

Description

Venor®GeM qEP utilizes quantitative, real-time PCR for high quality and reliable detection of mycoplasma contaminations. After DNA extraction, the assay can be applied for EP/JP/USP compliant testing of cell culture derived biologicals, like autologous transplants (ATMPs), sera, cell culture media and therapeutic antibody formulations. The kit is designed to detect more than 100 Mollicutes species and was extensively tested on several common culture contaminants.

Order information

Catalog number

Cat. No. 11-9025 Cat. No. 11-9100 Cat. No. 11-9250 25 Reactions 4 x 25 Reactions 10 x 25 Reactions

Additional information

Type of PCR: Conventional, endpoint PCR

Kit components: Lyophilized Master Mix; 10 x Reaction Buffer; Internal Amplification Control; Positive Control DNA; PCR-grade Water

Required lab devices: PCR cycler; agarose gel electrophoresis and DNA staining system; pipetting equipment; microcentrifuge

Required consumables:

Taq DNA Polymerase (suitable Taq polymerase is available from us); PCR reaction tubes; gel loading buffer and dye

Optional consumables for process monitoring and EP/JP/USP testing:

Internal Control DNA extra (Cat. No. 11-1905)

Additional information

Type of PCR: Taq polymerase based quantitative real-time PCR (qPCR)

Kit components:

Lyophilized Master Mix; Rehydration Buffer; Internal Amplification Control; Positive Control DNA; PCR-grade Water

Required lab devices:

qPCR cycler with FAM™ and HEX™ filters; pipetting equipment; microcentrifuge

Required consumables:

PCR reaction tubes

Optional consumables for process monitoring and EP/JP/USP testing: Internal Control DNA extra (Cat. No. 11-1905)

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Additional products

Venor®GeM Sample Preparation

Description

Venor®GeM Sample Preparation is an extraction kit, intended for the isolation of mycoplasma DNA from cell culture or biopharmaceutical material.

This DNA extraction kit provides excellent results and can be reliably used in combination with our PCR kits for mycoplasma detection.

Features

Recommended use: Sample preparation and purification of cell culture supernatants incl. cells and cell debris, ATMPs, samples with polymers, DMSO and glycerin (e.g. cryoconservation media), cell culture media, and protein solutions, incl. antibodies and enzymes.

Kit components: Spin columns; Collection tubes; Conditioner; binding buffer; wash buffers; elution buffer

Sample volume per extraction: 200 μI

Required lab devices:

Required consumables: PCR reaction tubes; ethanol; Proteinase K (Opt. Cat. No. 56-0002)

Pipetting equipment; heat block; microcentrifuge

Storage:

Storage and shipment at ambient temperature

Ordering information

Catalog number

Cat. No. 56-1010 Cat. No. 56-1050 Cat. No. 56-1200 10 Reactions 50 Reactions 200 Reactions

Venor®GeM SP Kit - Beads

Description

The Venor®GeM SP Kit - Beads is a DNA/RNA extraction kit designed to separate nucleic acids from mycoplasma. The Venor®GeM SP Kit - Beads is based on the extraction of nucleic acid using

magnetic beads. The kit is also compatible with extraction robots such as the KingFisher™ Flex. Its automated nucleic acid extraction significantly improves the reproducibility of individual extractions.

Features

Recommended use: Sample preparation and purification of cell culture supernatants incl. cells and cell debris, cell suspensions, samples with polymers, DMSO and glycerin (e.g. cryoconservation media), biopharmaceuticals, ATMPs, and protein solutions, incl. antibodies and enzymes.

Kit components: Binding-, Elution-, Lysis-, Rehydration-Buffer, Wash Buffers 1-3; Magnetic Bead Suspension; Proteinase K

Sample volume per extraction: 250 µl

Order information

Catalog number Cat. No. 56-3010 Cat. No. 56-3100

10 Reactions 100 Reactions

Required lab devices:

Manual extraction: Magnetic rack; thermoshaker; pipetting equipment

Automatic extraction: Automatic extractor (e.g. KingFisher™ Flex); plastic material for extractor

Required consumables: 1-propanol ≥99,5%; PCR reaction tubes

Storage: Storage and shipment at ambient temperature, exception Proteinase K storage at +2 to +8 °C

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10CFU[™] Sensitivity Standards

For validating robustness and detection limit of molecular mycoplasma test methods in presence of the sample matrix.

Background & description

The European Pharmacopoeia (EP 2.6.7), the Japanese Pharmacopoeia (JP G3) and the US Pharmacopoeia (USP <1071>) define the required sensitivity for nucleic acid-based assays (e.g. PCR) as valid detection methods for microbiological testing of biopharmaceuticals. According to these guidelines, a test sensitivity of 10 colony-forming units (CFU) per ml of sample volume (or min. 100 CFU/ml for USP) must be reached by the performing lab as part of the robustness testing, in presence of the sample matrix.

Each vial of 10CFU[™] Sensitivity Standards contains 10 CFU of inactivated mycoplasma, which can be safely and reliably used in cell culture and production facilities, where a microbiology lab is not available. Once resuspended in the sample matrix of interest, these samples must be tested positive by the applied method. Please note that due to the mycoplasma inactivation, the $10CFU^{TM}$ Sensitivity Standards are not suitable for the culture method. Extensive proficiency tests indicated that mycoplasma DNA extraction is indispensable to achieve highest sensitivity by PCR-based methods. After extraction, the $10CFU^{TM}$ extract can directly be used for PCR. The genome units (GU) to CFU ratio is provided in The Certificate of Analysis for each lot.

Content:

Unit package: 3 vials with 10 CFU of the corresponding mycoplasma species; 2 vials with negative controls; Set package (Mycoplasma set Cat. No. 102-0002): 2 vials with 10 CFU of each mycoplasma species listed in the EP 2.6.7 (18 vials in total; *M. salivarium* is not included in the set). 2 vials with negative controls

Ordering information

Catalog Number

Cat. No. 102-8003 Cat. No. 102-1003 Cat. No. 102-6003 Cat. No. 102-3003 Cat. No. 102-7003 Acholeplasma laidlawii Mycoplasma arginini Mycoplasma fermentans Mycoplasma gallisepticum Mycoplasma hyorhinis Cat. No. 102-2003 Cat. No. 102-4003 Cat. No. 102-5003 Cat. No. 102-1103 Cat. No. 102-9003 Cat. No. 102-0002 Mycoplasma orale Mycoplasma pneumoniae Mycoplasma synoviae Mycoplasma salivarium Spiroplasma citri Mycoplasma Set

100CFU[™] Sensitivity Standards

Additional products for validating robustness and detection limit of molecular mycoplasma test methods in presence of a specific sample matrix.

Background & description

100CFU[™] Sensitivity Standards are designed to support the validation of nucleic acid amplification technology (NAT)-based tests for mycoplasma detection, according to USP <1071>. More generally, including this supplementary concentration in the matrix validation procedure significantly improves the confidence of the test method.

- Irreversibly inactivated mycoplasma in an amount corresponding to 100 CFU.
- Additional test concentration to the 10CFU™ Sensitivity Standards for the validation of PCRbased detection tests.
- The genome units (GU) to CFU ratio is provided in The Certificate of Analysis for each lot.

Content: Unit package: 3 vials with 100 CFU of the corresponding mycoplasma species; 2 vials with negative controls

Ordering information

Catalog Number

- Cat. No. 103-8003 Cat. No. 103-1003 Cat. No. 103-6003 Cat. No. 103-3003 Cat. No. 103-7003
- Acholeplasma laidlawii Mycoplasma arginini Mycoplasma fermentans Mycoplasma gallisepticum Mycoplasma hyorhinis

Cat. No. 103-2003 Cat. No. 103-4003 Cat. No. 103-1103 Cat. No. 103-5003 Cat. No. 103-9003

Mycoplasma orale Mycoplasma pneumoniae Mycoplasma salivarium Mycoplasma synoviae Spiroplasma citri

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