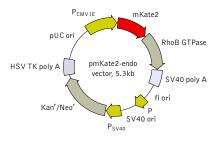


pmKate2-endo vector

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Location of features

P_{CMV IE}: 1-589 Enhancer region: 59-465 TATA box: 554-560 Transcription start point: 583 mKate2-RhoB GTPase fusion Start codon (ATG): 613-615 Start of mKate2 coding sequence (ATG): 613-615 Last amino asid in mKate2: 1312-1314 c-Myc epitope: 1357-1359 RhoB GTPase: 1383-1968 Stop codon: 1969-1971 SV40 early mRNA polyadenylation signal Polyadenylation signals: 2163-2168 & 2192-2197 mRNA 3' ends: 2201 & 2213 f1 single-strand DNA origin: 2260-2715 Bacterial promoter for expression of Kan^r gene -35 region: 2777-2782; -10 region: 2800-2805 Transcription start point: 2812 SV40 origin of replication: 3056-3191 SV40 early promoter Enhancer (72-bp tandem repeats): 2889-2960 & 2961-3032 21-bp repeats: 3036-3056, 3057-3077 & 3079-3099 Early promoter element: 3112-3118 Major transcription start points: 3108, 3146, 3152 & 3157 Kanamycin/neomycin resistance gene

Neomycin phosphotransferase coding sequences: Start codon (ATG): 3240-3242; Stop codon: 4032-4034 G->A mutation to remove Pst I site: 3422

C->A (Arg to Ser) mutation to remove BssH II site: 3768 Herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signal

Polyadenylation signals: 4270-4275 & 4283-4288 pUC plasmid replication origin: 4619-5262

| Product | Cat.# | Size |
|----------------------|---|------------|
| pmKate2-endo vector | FP314 | 20 μ g |
| Vector type | mammalian expression vector | |
| Reporter | mKate2 | |
| Reporter codon usage | mammalian | |
| Promoter for mKate2 | P _{CMV IE} | |
| Host cells | mammalian | |
| Selection | prokaryotic - kanamycin eukaryotic - neomycin (G418) | |
| Replication | prokaryotic - pUC ori eukaryotic - SV40 ori | |
| Use | far-red fluorescent labeling of vesicles of the endocytic pathway | |

Vector description

pmKate2-endo is a mammalian expression vector intended for far-red fluorescent labeling of vesicles of the endocytic pathway [Adamson et al. 1992], allowing the monitoring of intracellular membrane traffic during endocytosis in living cells. The vector encodes far-red fluorescent protein mKate2 targeted to endosomes by human RhoB GTPase fused to the mKate2 C-terminus. The fusion also contains c-Myc epitope tag.

mKate2 codon usage is optimized for high expression in mammalian cells (humanized) [Haas et al. 1996].

pmKate2-endo vector can be used as a source of mKate2-RhoB hybrid sequence. The vector backbone contains unique restriction sites that permit its excision and further insertion into expression vector of choice. **Note:** The plasmid DNA was isolated from dam⁺-methylated *E.coli*. Therefore some restriction sites are blocked by methylation. If you wish to digest the vector using such sites you will need to transform the vector into a dam⁻ host and make fresh DNA.

The vector backbone contains immediate early promoter of cytomegalovirus ($P_{CMV | E}$) for protein expression, SV40 origin for replication in mammalian cells expressing SV40 T-antigen, pUC origin of replication for propagation in *E. coli*, and f1 origin for single-stranded DNA production. SV40 polyadenylation signals (SV40 poly A) direct proper processing of the 3'-end of the reporter mRNA.

SV40 early promoter (P_{SV40}) provides neomycin resistance gene (Neo^r) expression to select stably transfected eukaryotic cells using G418. Bacterial promoter (P) provides kanamycin resistance gene expression (Kan^r) in *E. coli.* Kan^r/Neo^r gene is linked with herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signals.

Expression in mammalian cells

pmKate2-endo vector can be transfected into mammalian cells by any known transfection method. CMV promoter provides strong, constitutive expression of the mKate2-RhoB fusion in eukaryotic cells. If required, stable transformants can be selected using G418 [Gorman 1985].

Propagation in E. coli

Suitable host strains for propagation in *E. coli* include DH5alpha, HB101, XL1-Blue, and other general purpose strains. Plasmid incompatibility group is pMB1/ColE1. The vector confers resistance to kanamycin (30 μ g/ml) to *E. coli* hosts. Copy number in *E. coli* is about 500.

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