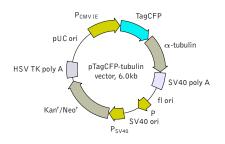


# pTagCFP-tubulin vector

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## Location of features

P<sub>CMV IE</sub>: 1-589

Enhancer region: 59-465 TATA box: 554-560

Transcription start point: 583

TagCFP

Kozak consensus translation initiation site: 606-616 Start codon (ATG): 613-615; Stop codon: 2698-2700

Last amino acid in TagCFP: 1324-1326 Tubulin: 1345-2700

SV40 early mRNA polyadenylation signal Polyadenylation signals: 2861-2866 & 2890-2895 mRNA 3' ends: 2899 & 2911

f1 single-strand DNA origin: 2958-3413

Eukarvotic promoter for expression of Kan<sup>r</sup> gene

-35 region: 3475-3480; -10 region: 3498-3503

Transcription start point: 3510

SV40 origin of replication: 3754-3889

SV40 early promoter

Enhancer (72-bp tandem repeats): 3587-3658 & 3659-3730

21-bp repeats: 3734-3754, 3755-3775 & 3777-3797 Early promoter element: 3810-3816

Major transcription start points: 3806, 3844, 3850 & 3855

Kanamycin/neomycin resistance gene

Neomycin phosphotransferase coding sequences: Start codon (ATG): 3938-3940; Stop codon: 4730-4732 G->A mutation to remove Pst I site: 4120

C->A (Arg to Ser) mutation to remove BssH II site: 4466 Herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signal

Polyadenylation signals: 4968-4973 & 4981-4986 pUC plasmid replication origin: 5317-5960

| Product                | Cat.#  | Size  |
|------------------------|--|-------|
| pTagCFP-tubulin vector | FP115  | 20 µg |
| Vector type            | mammalian expression vector                            |       |
| Reporter               | TagCFP   |       |
| Reporter codon usage   | mammalian  |       |
| Promoter for TagCFP    | P <sub>CMV IE</sub>                                    |       |
| Host cells             | mammalian  |       |
| Selection              | prokaryotic - kanamycin                                |       |
|                        | eukaryotic - neomycin (G418)                           |       |
| Replication            | prokaryotic - pUC ori<br>eukaryotic - SV40 ori         |       |
|                        |  |       |
| Use                    | cyan fluorescent labeling of $lpha$ -tubulin filaments |       |

# Vector description

pTagCFP-tubulin is a mammalian expression vector encoding TagCFP-tubulin fusion protein. The vector can be used for fluorescent labeling of  $\alpha$ -tubulin in living cells.

TagCFP codon usage is optimized for high expression in mammalian cells (humanized) [Haas et al. 1996]. Human  $\alpha$ -tubulin is fused to the TagCFP C-terminus. To increase mRNA translation efficiency, Kozak consensus translation initiation site is generated upstream of the TagCFP-tubulin coding sequence [Kozak 1987].

pTagCFP-tubulin vector can be used as a source of TagCFP-tubulin 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<sup>+</sup>-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<sup>-</sup> host and make fresh DNA.

The vector backbone contains immediate early promoter of cytomegalovirus ( $P_{CMV \, IE}$ ) 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<sup>r</sup>) expression to select stably transfected eukaryotic cells using G418. Bacterial promoter (P) provides kanamycin resistance gene expression (Kan<sup>r</sup>) in *E. coli*. Kan<sup>r</sup>/Neo<sup>r</sup> gene is linked with herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signals.

## Expression in mammalian cells

pTagCFP-tubulin vector can be transfected into mammalian cells by any known transfection method. CMV promoter provides strong, constitutive expression of the TagCFP-tubulin 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  $\mu$ g/ml) to *E. coli* hosts. Copy number in *E. coli* is about 500.

#### References

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