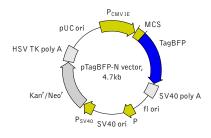


# pTagBFP-N vector

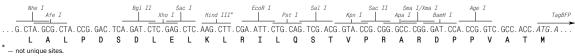
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Product	Cat.#	Size	
pTagBFP-N vector	FP172	$20~\mu \mathrm{g}$	
Vector type	mammalian expression vector		
Reporter	TagBFP		
Reporter codon usage	mammalian		
Promoter for TagBFP	P <sub>CMV IE</sub>		
Host cells	mammalian		
Selection	prokaryotic - kanamycin		
	eukaryotic - neomycin (G418)		
Replication	prokaryotic - pUC ori		
	eukaryotic - SV40 ori		
Use	TagBFP expression in mammalian cells; generation of		
	fusions to the TagBFP N-terminus		

#### Multiple cloning site (MCS)



#### **Location of features**

P<sub>CMV IE</sub>: 1-589 Enhancer region: 59-465 TATA box: 554-560 Transcription start point: 583 MCS: 591-671 TagBFP

Kozak consensus translation initiation site: 672-682 Start codon (ATG): 679-681; Stop codon: 1378-1380 SV40 early mRNA polyadenylation signal

Polyadenylation signals: 1534-1539 & 1563-1568 mRNA 3' ends: 1572 & 1584

f1 single-strand DNA origin: 1631-2086

Bacterial promoter for expression of Kan<sup>r</sup> gene -35 region: 2148-2153; -10 region: 2171-2176

Transcription start point: 2183 SV40 origin of replication: 2427-2562 SV40 early promoter

Enhancer (72-bp tandem repeats): 2260-2331 & 2332 2403

21-bp repeats: 2407-2427, 2428-2448 & 2450-2470 Early promoter element: 2483-2489

Major transcription start points: 2479, 2517, 2523 & 2528

Kanamycin/neomycin resistance gene

Neomycin phosphotransferase coding sequences: Start codon (ATG): 2611-2613; Stop codon: 3403-3405 G->A mutation to remove Pst I site: 2793

C->A (Arg to Ser) mutation to remove BssH II site: 3139 Herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signal

Polyadenylation signals: 3641-3646 & 3654-3659 pUC plasmid replication origin: 3990-4633

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#### **Vector description**

pTagBFP-N is a mammalian expression vector encoding blue fluorescent protein TagBFP. The vector allows generation of fusions to the TagBFP N-terminus and expression of TagBFP fusions or TagBFP alone in eukaryotic (mammalian) cells.

TagBFP codon usage is optimized for high expression in mammalian cells (humanized) [Haas et al. 1996]. To increase mRNA translation efficiency, Kozak consensus translation initiation site is generated upstream of the TagBFP coding sequence [Kozak 1987]. Multiple cloning site (MCS) is located between  $P_{\text{CMV IE}}$  and TagBFP coding sequence.

The vector backbone contains immediate early promoter of cytomegalovirus ( $P_{\text{CMV IE}}$ ) 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 ( $Neo^r$ ) 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.

## **Generation of TagBFP fusion proteins**

A localization signal or a gene of interest can be cloned into MCS of the vector. It will be expressed as a fusion to the TagBFP N-terminus when inserted in the same reading frame as TagBFP and no in-frame stop codons are present. The inserted sequence should contain an initiating ATG codon. TagBFP-tagged fusions retain fluorescent properties of the native protein allowing fusion localization *in vivo*. Unmodified vector will express TagBFP when transfected into eukaryotic (mammalian) cells.

**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.

## Expression in mammalian cells

pTagBFP-N vector can be transfected into mammalian cells by any known transfection method. CMV promoter provides strong, constitutive expression of TagBFP or its fusions 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.

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