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DATA SHEET

Reagent: HIV-1 NL4-3 Integrase Expression Vector (pINSD.His.Sol)

Catalog Number: 2958

Lot Number: 190104

Release Category: C

Provided: 5 µg of dried purified DNA stabilized in DNastable *Plus*

Cloning Vector: pET15B
Ampicillin resistant

Description: An expression vector which produces HIV-1 NL4-3 integrase protein that was modified to include the amino acid substitutions F185K and C280S.

Special Characteristics: This construct is 6565 bp including the insert.

HIV-1 NL4-3 integrase from pINSD (ARP Cat# 2820) with an amino-terminal polyhistidine tag and F185K and C280S amino acid substitutions is expressed upon transformation of pINSD.His.Sol into *E. coli* BL21(DE3) and IPTG induction. The two amino acid substitutions greatly improve the solubility of HIV-1 integrase without affecting *in vitro* activities. The expressed integrase may be purified by Ni-affinity chromatography with a high yield (5-10 mg/liter of culture) from the soluble fraction of *E. coli* lysates. The polyhistidine tag may be subsequently removed by cleavage with thrombin. The integrase is functional in *in vitro* integration assays. *E. coli* strain BL21(DE3) must be used for integrase expression, but the plasmid may be unstable in this host.

[Sequence file lot 190104](#)

Plasmids can be propagated in STBL2 cells and grown at 37°C. Larger plasmids may benefit from growth at 30°C. This construct may also be grown in other competent cells.

This reagent is currently being provided as dried purified DNA stabilized in DNastable *PLUS*. Please see the notice for additional information and the protocol for reconstitution of dried DNA reagents. [Dried DNA Notice](#)

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Recommended Storage: Keep the reagent at room temperature in a dry storage cabinet or in a moisture barrier bag.

Contributor: Dr. Robert Craigie

References: Jenkins, T. M., Engelman, A., Ghirlando, R. and Craigie, R. (1996). A soluble active mutant of HIV-1 integrase: involvement of both the core and carboxyl-terminal domains in multimerization. J Biol Chem, 271(13), 7712-8. [PUBMED](#)

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