

## SmarTaq Polymerase (Deoxynucleoside-triphosphate: DNA Deoxynucleosidyltransferase E.C. 2.7.7.7.)



Source:	<i>Thermus aquaticus</i> YT1
Purity:	>95% (SDS-PAGE), Coomassie blue staining
Concentration:	5 U/μl
Associated activities:	Endo- and exonuclease activity not detected
Storage:	- 20 °C
Applications:	Hot-start PCR, PCR, multiplex PCR, "Real Time" PCR

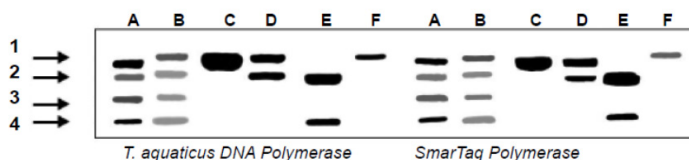
SmarTaq is a *Taq* polymerase modified by blocking the specific polymerase activity with highly specific monoclonal antibodies against *Taq* polymerase active site. SmarTaq remains inactive during set-up of PCR reaction at ambient temperatures (20-25 °C). An activation of enzyme occurs during the first PCR cycle by dissociation of enzyme-antibody complex when the temperature rises above 70 °C. SmarTaq significantly improves PCR results by preventing primer-dimer artifact formation and non-specific amplification. SmarTaq also gives better yields and greater specificity when amplifying difficult templates.

SmarTaq can be stored for a long period (more than 3 months) at + 4 °C. In contrast to the chemically modified *Taq* polymerase, SmarTaq is compatible with most of the buffers traditionally applied for amplification.

### CLINICAL UTILITY

- Highly specific PCR and multiplex
- High sensitivity applications
- Absence additional heating step for polymerase activation

SmarTaq can be used in the following specific applications: multiplex PCR (see figure 1), amplification of complex genomic or cDNA templates, very low-copy-number targets, amplification with a large number of thermal cycles (>35) and "real-time" PCR.



**Figure 1. Application of SmarTaq Polymerase in "multiplex" PCR.** Simultaneous detection of 4 infectious DNAs in clinical samples. A and B: Positive Control (DNA Mixture), C-F: Clinical samples. 1: *Ureaplasma urealyticum*, 2: *Mycoplasma hominis*, 3: *Mycoplasma genitalium*, 4: *Chlamydia trachomatis*.

### Ordering Information:

Product	Cat #	Size
SmarTaq Polymerase	10-STP1	1000U

