



IG® Autoinduction DE3 Chemically Competent Cells

Manual

Catalog #	Package Size
1065-06	6x50µl
1065-24	24x50µl
1065-95	96 (12 x 8-well strip) x50µl
1065-96	96 well x 20µl
1065-384	384 well x 15µl



Important!

-80°C Storage Required

- * Immediately inspect packages
- * Freeze upon receipt



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Description:

Intact Genomics (IG®) chemically competent Autoinduction DE3 cells are suitable for transformation and routine recombinant protein expressed from a vector under an IPTG-inducible T7 promoter. This Autoinduction strain with the DE3 lysogen, which contains a chromosomally integrated IPTG-inducible promoter enabling T7 RNA polymerase, is expressed by IPTG induction, as well as autoinduction with IG® optimized Autoinduction media. (catalog #: 1722). With simple and less hands-on autoinduction, you can either enjoy more free-time or get more work done. Moreover, the yields of both expressed cells and protein are likely 5-10 fold or more for a broad range of protein targets at either small or large scale of protein production.

Specifications:

Competent cell type: Chemically Competent

Strain: IG Autoinduction DE3 which contains a chromosomally integrated the IPTG-inducible promoter

Species: *E. coli*

Format: Tubes

Transformation efficiency: $\geq 3.0 \times 10^7$ cfu/ μ g pUC19 DNA

Shipping condition: Dry ice

Reagents Needed for One Reaction:

- IG Autoinduction DE3 chemically competent cells: 50 μ l
- DNA (or pUC19 Control, 10 pg/ μ l): 1 μ l
- Recovery medium: 1 ml

Product Components & Storage:

- IG Autoinduction DE3 chemically competent cells: -80 °C
- pUC19 control DNA: -20 °C
- Recovery medium: 4 °C

Genomic Features:

IG Autoinduction DE3 chemically competent cells have the following features:

- T7 Expression Strain
- Optimized for autoinduction
- Suitable for expression of toxic genes
- TetR: Tetracycline resistant (12.5 μ g/ml)

Quality Control:

Transformation efficiency is tested by using the pUC19 control DNA supplied with the kit and the high efficiency transformation protocol listed below. Transformation efficiency should be $\geq 3 \times 10^7$ CFU/ μ g pUC19 DNA.

Untransformed cells are tested for appropriate antibiotic sensitivity.

General Guidelines:

Follow these guidelines when using IG Autoinduction DE3 chemically competent *cells*:

- Handle competent cells gently as they are highly sensitive to changes in temperature or mechanical lysis caused by pipetting.
- Thaw competent cells on ice and transform cells immediately following thawing. After adding DNA, mix by tapping the tube gently. Do not mix cells by pipetting or vortexing.

High Efficiency Transformation Protocol:

Use this procedure to transform IG Autoinduction DE3 chemically competent cells. We recommend verifying the transformation efficiency of the cells using the pUC19 control DNA supplied with the kit. Do not use these cells for electroporation.

- 1) Remove competent cells from the -80 °C freezer and thaw completely on wet ice (10-15 minutes).
- 2) Aliquot 1-5 μ l (1 pg-100 ng) of DNA to the chilled microcentrifuge tubes on ice.
- 3) When the cells are thawed, add 50 μ l of cells to each DNA tube on ice and mix gently by tapping 4-5 times. For the pUC19 control, add 1 μ l of (10 pg/ μ l) DNA to a chilled microcentrifuge tube, prior to adding 50 μ l of cells. Mix well by tapping. Do not pipette up and down or vortex to mix, this can harm cells and decrease transformation efficiency.
- 4) Incubate the cells with DNA on ice for 30 minutes.
- 5) After 30 minute ice incubation, heat shock the cells at 42 °C for 45 seconds.
- 6) Transfer the tubes to ice for 2 minutes.
- 7) Add 950 μ l of Recovery Medium or any other medium of choice to each tube.
- 8) Incubate tubes at 37 °C for 1 hour at 210 rpm.
- 9) Spread 50 μ l to 200 μ l from each transformation on pre-warmed selection plates. We recommend plating two different volumes to ensure that at least one plate will have well-spaced colonies. For the pUC19 control, plate 50 μ l on an LB plate containing 100 μ g/ml ampicillin. Use sterilized spreader or autoclaved ColiRoller™ plating beads to spread evenly.
- 10) Incubate the plates overnight at 37 °C.

5 Minute Transformation Protocol:

The following procedure results in only ~10% of the transformation efficiency as the protocol listed above.

- 1) Remove competent cells from the -80 °C freezer and thaw in your hand.
- 2) Aliquot 1-5 µl (1 pg-100 ng) of DNA to the microcentrifuge tubes. Do not pipette up and down or vortex to mix, this can harm cells and decrease transformation efficiency.
- 3) Incubate the cells with DNA on ice for 2 minutes.
- 4) After 2 minute ice incubation, heat shock the cells at 42 °C for 45 seconds.
- 5) Transfer the tubes to ice for 2 minutes.
- 6) Add 950 µl of Recovery Medium at room temperature or any other medium of choice to each tube. Immediately spread 50 µl to 200 µl from each transformation on prewarmed selection plates. We recommend plating two different volumes to ensure that at least one plate will have well-spaced colonies. For the pUC19 control, plate 50 µl on an LB plate containing 100 µg/ml ampicillin. Use sterilized spreader or autoclaved ColiRoller™ plating beads to spread evenly.
- 7) Incubate the plates overnight at 37 °C.

Calculation of Transformation Efficiency:

Transformation Efficiency (TE) is defined as the number of colony forming units (cfu) produced by transforming 1µg of plasmid into a given volume of competent cells.

$$TE = \text{Colonies}/\mu\text{g}/\text{Dilution}$$

Transform 1 µl of (10 pg/µl) pUC19 control plasmid into 50 µl of cells, add 950 µl of Recovery Medium. Dilute 10 µl of this in 990 µl of Recovery Medium and plate 50 µl. Count the colonies on the plate the next day. If you count 100 colonies, the TE is calculated as follows:

$$\text{Colonies} = 100$$

$$\mu\text{g of DNA} = 0.00001$$

$$\text{Dilution} = 50/1000 \times 10/1000 = 0.0005$$

$$TE = 100/.00001/.0005 = 2.0 \times 10^{10}$$

Related Products:

- ig® 5-Alpha Chemically Competent Cells (Cat.# 1031-12)
- BL21(DE3) Electroporation Competent Cells (Cat.# 1212-12)
- T4 DNA Ligase (Cat.# 3212)
- i7® High Fidelity DNA Polymerase (Cat.# 3254)
- IG® Autoinduction Media. (Cat.#: 1722)
- IG® Autoinduction DE3 Electro Competent Cells (Cat.#: 1266)

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