

B-PER[®] Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent

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Number	Description
90078	B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent with Enzymes Kit Contents: B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent, 250 ml Lysozyme, 0.5 ml supplied at 50 mg/ml DNase I, 0.5 ml supplied at 2,500 U/ml
90079	B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent with Enzymes Kit Contents: B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent, 500 ml Lysozyme, 2 × 0.5 ml supplied at 50 mg/ml DNase I, 2 × 0.5 ml supplied at 2,500 U/ml
78243	B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent, 165 ml
90084	B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent, 250 ml
78248	B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent, 500 ml
78260	B-PER II Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent, 250 ml

Composition: Solution contains a proprietary, nonionic detergent in 20 mM Tris•HCl; pH 7.5

Storage: Upon receipt store B-PER Reagent at ambient temperature and Lysozyme and DNase I at -20°C. Product is shipped at 4°C.

Introduction

The Thermo Scientific B-PER Bacterial Protein Extraction Reagent enables mild extraction of proteins from bacteria (*E. coli*) without the need for mechanical disruption. The reagent may be used for soluble protein extraction and inclusion body purification from bacterial cell lysates. The B-PER Reagent with Enzymes is supplied with lysozyme and DNase I to improve the extraction efficiency of large (> 70 kDa) molecular weight proteins and proteins expressed in inclusion bodies. Depending on the particular application, additional components, such as protease inhibitors, salts, reducing agents and chelating agents may be added to the reagent (add chelating agents only when using the B-PER Reagent without enzymes). The B-PER II Reagent is twice as concentrated as the B-PER Reagent and designed for small volumes of lysate so the protein remains concentrated.

Important Product Information

- The B-PER Reagent extracts proteins from recently prepared cells and frozen cells. Extraction is typically more effective with frozen cells. The amount of reagent required depends on the amount of cell paste.
- If desired, add EDTA-free protease inhibitors (Product No. 78425, 78437 or 78439), salts, and reducing agents directly to the reagent. Chelating agents such as EDTA can be used with B-PER Reagent without enzymes.

- Add lysozyme and DNase I to B-PER reagent for the most efficient extraction; however, the extraction of some over-expressed proteins does not require the addition of lysozyme. If the addition of lysozyme and DNase I might interfere with the downstream application, the use of these enzymes should be omitted.
- Some over-expressed proteins can be insoluble, misfolded or expressed in inclusion bodies. The best way to obtain soluble protein is to adjust the expression conditions; however, if this is not possible, the Inclusion Body Solubilization Reagent (Product No. 78115) can be used.
- B-PER Reagent effectively extracts soluble proteins from several common bacterial host strains and is especially suitable for the protease-defective expression host BL21 strains. If lysis is inefficient for a particular bacterial strain, freeze cells before extraction.
- Whole cell lysates prepared with the B-PER Reagent are compatible with the Thermo Scientific Pierce BCA and Coomassie (Bradford) Protein Assays (Product No. 23225 and 23236, respectively).

Procedure for Extracting Protein from Bacteria

1. Pellet bacterial cells by centrifugation at $5,000 \times g$ for 10 minutes.
2. Optional: Add 2 μ l of lysozyme and 2 μ l of DNase I per 1 ml of B-PER Reagent. Add EDTA-free protease inhibitors.
3. Add 4 ml of B-PER Reagent per gram of cell pellet. Pipette the suspension up and down until it is homogeneous.
Note: If using the B-PER II Reagent, 2 ml of reagent per gram of cell pellet may be used to achieve a more concentrated protein solution.
4. Incubate 10-15 minutes at room temperature.
5. Centrifuge lysate at $15,000 \times g$ for 5 minutes to separate soluble proteins from the insoluble proteins.
Note: If a large percentage of over-expressed protein remains in the pellet, the protein of interest might be expressed in inclusion bodies. Either use the Inclusion Body Solubilization Reagent (Product No. 78115) or alter the expression conditions to minimize inclusion body formation.

Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Solution
Protein of interest is not solubilized	Protein of interest is expressed in inclusion bodies	Adjust expression conditions or use an inclusion body solubilization reagent
		Add lysozyme and DNase I to the B-PER Reagent
Bacteria are not lysed upon enzyme addition	Temperature is too low	Warm culture and other reagents to room temperature
	Lysozyme has low activity or is inactive	Add more lysozyme to the B-PER Reagent or purchase new enzyme
Viscosity of extract is high	DNase I has low activity or is inactive	Add more DNase I to the B-PER Reagent or purchase new enzyme
		Add Mg^{2+} ions to 2 mM final concentration
Excessive over-expressed protein remains in the pellet	Protein is too large for B-PER Reagent alone	Add lysozyme and DNase I to the B-PER Reagent
B-PER Reagent is cloudy after shipping	Reagent is cold	Warm reagent to room temperature

Additional Information from Our Web Site

- Frequently Asked Questions
- Tech Tip #19: Remove Detergent from Protein Samples
- Tech Tip #43: Protein stability and storage
- Tech Tip #6: Extinction coefficients guide

Related Thermo Scientific Products

90082	Lysozyme, 0.5 ml supplied at 50 mg/ml
90083	DNase I, 0.5 ml supplied at 2,500 U/ml
78115	Inclusion Body Purification Reagent, 100 ml
39000	Lane Marker Reducing Sample Buffer, 5 ml
15160	Immobilized Glutathione Resin, 10 ml
78425	Halt Protease Inhibitor Single-Use Cocktail, EDTA-Free
78437	Halt Protease Inhibitor Cocktail, EDTA-Free
25200-25244	Precise™ Protein Gels (see catalog or web site for a complete listing)
24615	Imperial™ Protein Stain, 1 L, (coomassie R-250)
24590	GelCode™ Blue Stain Reagent, 500 ml, (coomassie G-250)
24612	Silver Stain Kit II
26681	Pierce® Blue Prestained Protein Molecular Weight Marker Mix, 1 × 48 well microtube plate
23227	Pierce BCA Protein Assay Kit
23236	Coomassie Plus (Bradford) Assay Kit
89802	I-PER® Insect Cell Protein Extraction Reagent, 250 ml
78833	NE-PER® Nuclear and Cytoplasmic Extraction Kit
89826	Mem-PER® Eukaryotic Membrane Protein Extraction Kit
78501	M-PER® Mammalian Protein Extraction Reagent, 250 ml

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