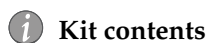




## Contents

Catalog No.  
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Size  
200 µL



Kit contents



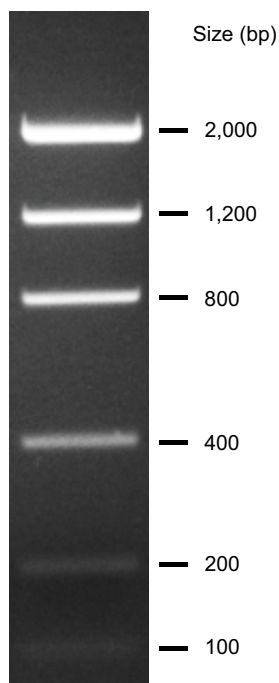
## Storage

- Product is shipped at [ambient temperature](#).
- Store at -20°C.



## Product description

- The Invitrogen™ Low DNA Mass Ladder is designed for sizing and quantification of double stranded DNA on 1% to 2% agarose gels.
- The Low DNA Mass Ladder consists of 6 individual chromatography-purified DNA fragments ranging in size from 100 bp to 2,000 bp.
- The ladder is supplied with 10X BlueJuice™ Gel Loading Buffer for sample DNA.



## Important guidelines

- Do not heat the Low DNA Mass Ladder before loading.
- Load the same volume of DNA sample and DNA ladder.
- For quantification, adjust the concentration of the sample to equalize it approximately with the amount of DNA in the nearest band of the ladder.
- For DNA bands visualization with GelRed™ use gel staining after electrophoresis to avoid aberrant DNA migration.



## Guidelines for agarose gel preparation

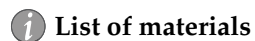
- Determine the required agarose concentration for your gel based on the size of DNA fragments to be separated.

Fragment size	Recommended agarose gel %	
	1X TAE	1X TBE
800–10,000	0.8	0.7
400–8,000	1.0	0.85
300–7,000	1.2	1.0

- Prepare agarose in a flask with 2-4 times the volume of the agarose solution.
- Exercise caution when handling microwaved agarose. The solution may become superheated and foam over when agitated.
- Refer to the product insert for [UltraPure™ Agarose](#) for detailed instructions on agarose preparation.



## Required materials



List of materials

- Visit our [product pages](#) for additional information and protocols.
- Go online to view related [DNA ladders and markers](#).
- For support, visit [thermofisher.com/support](http://thermofisher.com/support).



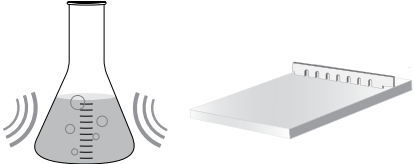
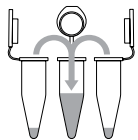
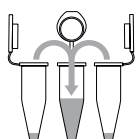

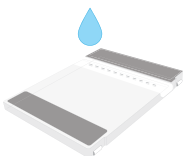
## Online resources

## Guidelines for staining gels

## Troubleshooting

## Limited product warranty and disclaimer details

## Prepare DNA ladders and samples for electrophoresis

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<p><b>1</b></p> 	<p><b>Cast agarose gel</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Prepare agarose solution (w/v) for the gel percentage appropriate for separating your DNA fragments.</li> <li>Microwave agarose solution.</li> <li>Cast agarose gel.</li> </ol>												
<p><b>2</b></p> 	<p><b>Prepare DNA ladder</b></p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Thaw, mix and briefly centrifuge each component before use.</li> <li>Add the following components to prepare enough ladder for a single 5 mm well.</li> </ol> <table border="1" data-bbox="976 462 1974 625"> <thead> <tr> <th>Component</th> <th>Volume</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>DNA ladder <sup>[1]</sup></td> <td>4 µL (470 ng)</td> </tr> <tr> <td>10X BlueJuice™ Gel Loading Buffer</td> <td>1 µL</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Water, nuclease free</td> <td>5 µL</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>[1] Scale components up or down depending upon width of wells. Modify volume by 0.2 µL (0.1 µg of DNA) for each 1 mm of width.</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Mix gently.</li> <li>Load DNA ladder on gel.</li> </ol>	Component	Volume	DNA ladder <sup>[1]</sup>	4 µL (470 ng)	10X BlueJuice™ Gel Loading Buffer	1 µL	Water, nuclease free	5 µL				
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