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DATA SHEET

Reagent:	HIV-1 HXB2 GST-Tat Expression Vector (GST-Tat 1 48D P18IS)
Catalog Number:	2358
Lot Number:	2
Release Category:	B
Provided:	Each clone is provided as 1 vial of ampicillin-resistant, transformed BL21 bacteria.
Cloning Vector:	pGEX2T or pGEX2TK (Pharmacia).
Description:	See attached Table. These constructs contain full length wild type or mutant HIV-1 (HXB2) or HIV-2 (ROD) tat genes. The clones contain a thrombin proteolytic site between the Schistosoma japonicum glutathione S-transferase (GST) sequence and the tat insert. Tat is expressed as a GST fusion protein. Constructs cloned into the pGEX2TK vector contain the phosphorylation site for the catalytic subunit of camp-dependent heart muscle kinase. GST-Tat fusions in this vector can thus be labeled directly in vitro to high specific activities with (g32P)ATP and commercially available kinase (Sigma). Table. HIV Tat Expression Vectors
Special Characteristics:	The HIV-1 constructs encode Tat in full length (86 aa), first exon (72 aa), activation domain (first 48 aa), or mutated forms. HIV-2 Tat is encoded as full length (130 aa), one exon (99 aa), or mutated protein. The GST-Tat fusion proteins can be easily purified from E. coli lysates using a single-step procedure under non-denaturing conditions (see protocol, page 8). Tat can be cleaved from the fusion proteins and purified by thrombin proteolytic digestion. Protocol: Preparation and Purification of HIV-1/2 Tat
Recommended Storage:	-90°C.
Contributor:	Dr. Andrew Rice.

References:

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