

Diagnostic Plasmid Containing the Small Subunit Ribosomal RNA Gene (18S) from *Plasmodium ovale*

Catalog No. MRA-180

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Product Description:

The small subunit ribosomal RNA gene (18S rRNA gene; GenBank: [AF145337](#)) from *Plasmodium ovale* (*P. ovale*), strain Nigerian I was amplified from genomic DNA by nest 1 PCR primers and cloned into vector [pCR2.1-TOPO](#) (Invitrogen™). MRA-180 contains the beta-lactamase gene, *bla*, to provide transformant selection through ampicillin and the kanamycin gene, *aph*, to provide transformant selection through kanamycin resistance in *Escherichia coli* (*E. coli*). The resulting size of the plasmid is approximately 5000 base pairs. The complete plasmid sequence and map are provided on the Certificate of Analysis. The plasmid was produced in *E. coli* and extracted.

MRA-180 (clone 54) may be used in PCR assays for the diagnosis of mixed species malaria infections.^{1,2}

Material Provided:

Each vial of MRA-180 contains plasmid DNA in buffer. The amount and concentration are shown on the Certificate of Analysis. The vial should be centrifuged prior to opening.

Packaging/Storage:

MRA-180 was packaged aseptically in screw-capped plastic cryovials. The product is provided frozen on dry ice and should be stored at -20°C or colder immediately upon arrival. Freeze-thaw cycles should be minimized.

Citation:

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Washington, DC: U.S. Government Printing Office, 2020; see www.cdc.gov/biosafety/publications/bmb15/index.htm.

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