



Proteinase K

Proteinase K 20mg/ ml	1 ml
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For research use only

Cat No: YT9052

Size: 1ml

Store at -20°C

Description:

Proteinase K is a highly reactive nonspecific serine protease that belongs to the subtilisin family of proteins. It cleaves at the carboxylic acid side of aliphatic, aromatic, or hydrophobic amino acids. Proteinase K is capable of inactivating RNases and DNases and is used in the isolation or preparation of high molecular weight nucleic acids. Proteinase K is stable in a wide variety of detergents and buffer salts and at various temperatures and pH. Proteinase K is also activated by heat at an optimal range of 50-65°C, dependent on your sample type. Proteinase K is active in a pH between 7.5 and 12.0, optimal activity at pH 8.0. The use of Proteinase K during lysis of the cells allows the isolation of intact highly-molecular nucleic acids.

Source: Yeast cells with cloned gene encoding Engyodontium album (Tritirachium album) endolytic protease.

Specifications: Weight: 28.5 KD, **Activity:** ≥ 30 U/mg

Storage/Handling: store stock solution at -20°C for up to **1 year**. Avoid multiple freeze-thaw cycles or exposure to frequent temperature changes.

Unit definition: Unit definition One unit is the amount of enzyme which releases at 37°C in 1 min as many folin-positive amino acids and peptides from hemoglobin as 1 μmol of tyrosine.

Features: Active with or without the presence of SDS, urea, EDTA or various metal ions, but the activity of proteinase K can be increased by adding the denaturing agents and the structure of proteinase K can be stabilized by addition of Ca^{2+} . Proteinase K activators include SDS (sodium dodecyl sulfate) and urea. Generally, proteinase K becomes more stable and more active when in buffers that contain these activators.

Inactivation: Inactivated by heating to 95°C for 10 minutes or using an inhibitor such as PMSF, AEBSF or DFP.

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