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Abstract

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Materials

 Topoisomerase I (E.coli) - 500 units [M0301L](#) by [New England Biolabs](#)

 pUC18 [50004](#) by [addgene](#)

6X Blue Loading Dye [L002](#) by [Gold Biotechnology](#)

Protocol

Add 2 μ l of 10 \times topoisomerase I reaction buffer and 400 ng pUC19 plasmid DNA (Takara, Japan) to each of a series of 1.5-ml microcentrifuge tubes on ice; Adjust volumes with distilled water so that the final reaction volume in each tube, including that of the protein or extract added in step 2, is 20 μ l.

Step 1.

Add various amounts of purified RstA or one unit E. coli topoisomerase I protein (NEB, USA) to the tubes, then incubate 10 min at 37°C.

Step 2.

Add 4 μ l of 6 \times loading dye to each tube and load contents on an 0.8% agarose gel. Run gel 2h at 5 to 10 V/cm.

Step 3.

Stain gel with ethidium bromide, destain briefly with water;

Step 4.

Photograph the gel illuminated with a UV transilluminator.

Step 5.