# In-Fusion Advantage PCR Cloning Kit

#### Modified from introduction of manufacturer

#### Reagents:

In-Fusion Advantage PCR Cloning Kit: Clontech Cat. No. 1008471A

Cloning Enhancer: Clontech Cat. No. 1007103A

One Shot TOP10 Chemically Competent Cell: Invitorgen Cat. No. C4040-03

# Day 1

- 1. Linearize vector by one or two restriction enzyme O/N.
- 2. PCR amplify insert. Hot start polymerase, 10pg~1ng plasmid DNA is recommended.

# Day 2

Check and purify linearized vector.

### Day 3

#### Cloning Enhancer Treatment: 1h

- 1. Add 2 ul of Cloning Enhancer to 5 ul of the PCR reaction.
- 2. Incubate at 37°C for 15 minutes, then at 80°C for 15 minutes in a PCR thermal cycler.

(<100ng plasmid DNA as template)

#### In-Fusion Cloning Procedures: 1h

1. Set up the In-Fusion cloning reaction:

5X In-Fusion Reaction Buffer 2 μl
In-Fusion Enzyme 1 μl

Vector  $x \mu l (<4kb, 100ng; <10kb, 200ng)$ 

Cloning Enhancer-Treated PCR Insert x µl (molar ratio)

ddH2O (as needed) x μl

Total Volume 10 μl

(For reactions with  $> 7~\mu l$  of vector + insert), double the amount of reaction buffer and enzyme, and add ddH20 for a total volume of 20  $\mu l$ )

2. Mix the reaction and incubate the reaction for 15 min at 37°C, followed by 15 min at 50°C, then place on ice.

- 3. Bring the reaction volume up to  $50\mu l^*$  with TE buffer (pH 8), and mix well. Take 25 ul to a new tube and add TE buffer to 50 ul.
- 4. Continue Transformation Procedures with 2 diluted reaction or store the cloning reactions at 20°C until you are ready.
- \*Negative control: add 1ul of the linearized pUC19 control vector included in the kit into cloning reaction without insert.
- \*Positive control: add 1ul of the linearized pUC19 control vector and 2ul of the 2kb control insert included in the kit into cloning reaction.

#### Transformation: 2h

- 1. Put 2  $\mu$ l of the diluted In-Fusion reaction mixture into 20 ul of GC10 competent cells (invitrogen). Don't add more than 5 ul of reaction to 50 ul of cells.
- 2. Transformation.
- \*Control: Transform a circular vector as positive control and a linearized vector as negative control

#### Day 4

Pick up individual colonies and culture at 37°C O/N.

#### Day 5

- 1. Miniprep plasmid DNA.
- 2. Digest the plasmid DNA and check the insert.
- 3. Plasmid DNA sequencing.