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GUIDELINES

Use up to 2 µg of total RNA per 20-µL reaction

MATERIALS TEXT

RNA-to-cDNA:

2X RT buffer

2X RT enzyme

RNA sample

384 -or 96-well plate

8-cap and tube strip

RT-PCR:

Fast SYBR Green Master Mix

cDNA samples

Primers










RNase-free water

7900HT PCR instrument

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RNA to cDNA reverse transcription

- 1 Prepare the RT reaction mix
2X buffer mix :  10 µl
20X RT enzyme Mix:  1 µl
RNA sample: <  9 µl
Nuclease-free water: quantity sufficient to  20 µl
Total per reaction:  20 µl
- 2 Prepare the reverse transcription reactions:
Aliquot  20 µl RT reaction mix into each well
Seal the plates and centrifuge to spin down the contents and remove air bubbles
Store them on ice
- 3 Perform reverse transcription:
Step1:
Temp.  37 °C , time: 60 mins
Step2:
Temp.  95 °C , time: 5 mins
Step3:
Temp.  4 °C , time: unlimited

Store the cDNA:
Short-term: < 24 hours before use and store at 2–8°C
Long-term: store at –25°C to –15°C

Prepare PCR reaction plate

- 4 For one reaction:

Fast SYBR® Green Master Mix (2×) :  10 µl

Forward and Reverse Primers : variable

cDNA template + RNase-free water: variable

Total:  20 µl

Mix by gentle inversion, then centrifuge the tube to spin down the contents and eliminate any air bubbles

- 5 Transfer the appropriate volume of each reaction to 384-well reaction plate

Run the PCR reaction plate

- 6 Instrument: 7900HT

AmpliTaq Fast DNA Polymerase, UP Activation :

Temp.  95 °C , time 10 mins, Cycles HOLD

Denature :

Temp.  95 °C , time 1second

Temp.  60 °C , time 20 seconds

Anneal/extend:

Temp.  95 °C , time 15 seconds

Temp.  60 °C , time 15 seconds

Temp.  95 °C , time 15 seconds

Reaction volume:  20 µl

MicroAmp Optical 384-Well Reaction Plate

- 7 Analyze the data