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🌐 PNGase F Protocol (Non-Denaturing Reaction Conditions) V.2

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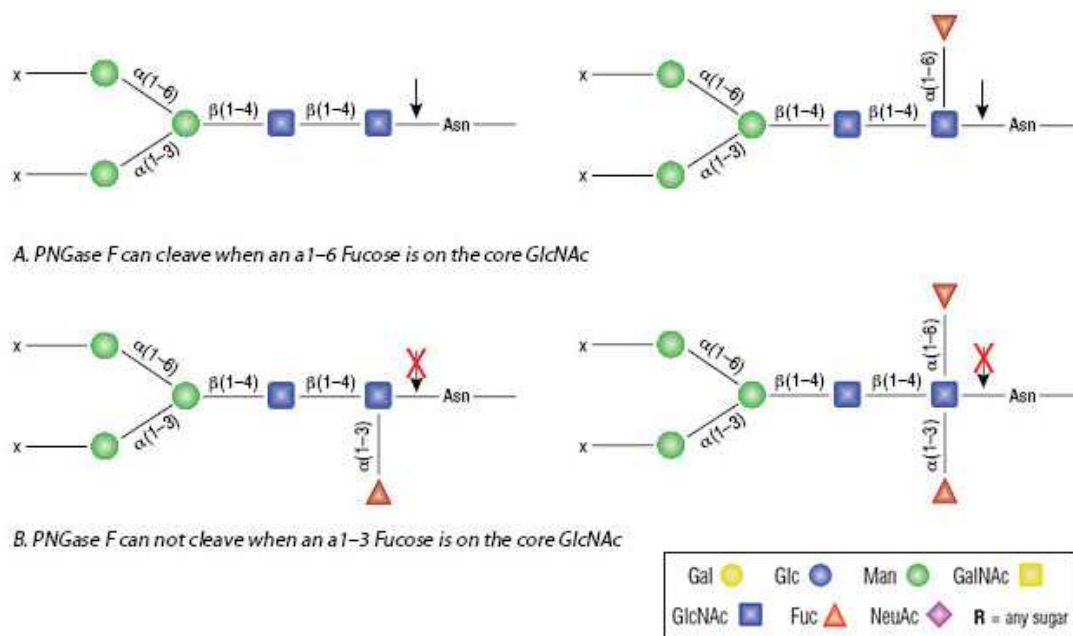
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PNGase F is the most effective enzymatic method for removing almost all *N*-linked oligosaccharides from glycoproteins. PNGase F is an amidase, which cleaves between the innermost GlcNAc and asparagine residues of high mannose, hybrid, and complex oligosaccharides.

This is a generic PNGase F protocol for **non-denaturing reaction conditions**. It is appropriate for both [P0704](#) and [P0708](#).



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- If using [P0704/P0708](#), we recommend limiting PNGase F to 1/10 (or less) of the total reaction volume to keep the final glycerol concentration equal to (or less than) 5%.
- For unit conversion between different suppliers, please reference the [Glycobiology Unit Conversion Chart](#) page.

Biology Unit Conversion Chart

Reagent companies differ in how a unit of enzyme is defined. This chart can be used to help determine how a unit of enzyme from one company compares to a unit of enzyme from NEB. All enzymes were assayed using NEB's assay protocols as a means of normalization (NEB Assay).

A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Enzyme	Company	Selling Conc. (U/ml)	Units/Vial	µl/Vial	NEB Assay (U/ml)	NEB Assay Units /Vial	µl Conversion (1 NEB µl = x Company µls)
PNGase F	NEB (NEB #P0704/P0705)	500,000	15,000	30	500,000	15,000	1
	Prozyme (GKE-5006A)	2.5	0.1	40	150,000	6,000	3.3
	Prozyme (GKE-5020B, Ultra)	10	0.4	40	500,000	20,000	1
	QA Bio (E-PNG01)	5	0.3	60	200,000	12,000	2.5
	Sigma (P7367)	500	50	50	90,000	4,500	5.5

MATERIALS

[PNGase F \(native\) - 75,000 units New England](#)

Biolabs Catalog #P0704L

[PNGase F \(native\) - 15,000 units New England](#)

Biolabs Catalog #P0704S

[PNGase F Recombinant - 75,000 units New England](#)

Biolabs Catalog #P0708L

[PNGase F Recombinant - 15,000 units New England](#)

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Please refer to the Safety Data Sheets (SDS) for health and environmental hazards.

Reactions may be scaled-up linearly to accommodate larger amounts of glycoprotein and larger reaction volumes. Optimal incubation times may vary for particular substrates. Typical reaction conditions are as follows:

Non-Denaturing Reaction Conditions:

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When deglycosylating a native glycoprotein it is recommended that an aliquot of the glycoprotein is subjected to the denaturing protocol to provide a positive control for the fully deglycosylated protein. The non-denatured reaction can then be compared to the denatured reaction to determine the extent of reaction completion.

Combine **1 µg - 20 µg glycoprotein** , **2 µL GlycoBuffer 2 (10X)** and H₂O (if necessary) to make a **20 µL total reaction volume**.

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Add **2 µL - 5 µL PNGase F** , mix gently.

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Incubate reaction at **37 °C** for **04:00:00 - 24:00:00** .

Note: To deglycosylate a native glycoprotein, longer incubation time as well as more enzyme may be required.

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Analyze by method of choice.

Note: The simplest method of assessing the extent of deglycosylation is by mobility shifts on SDS-PAGE gels.