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# Dephosphorylation of 5'-ends of DNA using Antarctic Phosphatase (NEB #M0289) V.3

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This is the protocol for dephosphorylation of 5'-ends of DNA using AnP (Antarctic Phosphatase - M0289).

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## Dephosphorylation of 5' -ends of DNA in Restriction Enzyme Reaction

- The phosphate can be added directly into the digestion reaction during or after DNA digestion
- Antarctic Phosphatase is active in all NEB restriction enzyme buffers only when supplemented with Antarctic Phosphatase Reaction Buffer, which provides Zn<sup>2+</sup> required for enzyme activity
- The restriction enzyme should be heat inactivated at the same time as the phosphatase after digest and dephosphorylation
- If restriction enzyme cannot be heat inactivated, DNA purification is required before ligation

### MATERIALS

 [Antarctic Phosphatase - 1,000 units](#) **New England**

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

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Prepare a  **20 µL** reaction as follows:

A	B
COMPONENT	AMOUNT
DNA	1 pmol of DNA ends*
Antarctic Phosphatase Reaction Buffer (10X)	2 µl
Antarctic Phosphatase	5 units
H <sub>2</sub> O, purified	to 20 µl**

\* Note: 1 pmol of DNA ends is about 1 µg of a 3 kb plasmid.

\*\* Scale larger reaction volumes proportionally.

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Incubate at  **37 °C** for  **00:30:00**.

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Stop reaction by heat-inactivation at  **80 °C** for  **00:02:00**.