



**Bacteroides qPCR detection Kit**

*Real-time quantitative analysis of the Bacteroides gene region HF183*

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**For Research Use Only. Not for use in Diagnostic Procedures.**



## 1. Background

Bacteroides are abundant anaerobic bacteria in the human gut, making them strong indicators of fecal contamination. The HF183 region, a human-specific 16S rRNA gene marker within *Bacteroides dorei*, is widely used in microbial source tracking (MST) due to its high specificity and prevalence in sewage. HF183 enables sensitive detection of human fecal pollution in environmental waters.

## 2. Test Principle

Attogene's qPCR kit for Bacteroides is designed for the In vitro analysis of the crucial genetic marker HF183. The HF183 gene specific primer and probe mix is provided to be detected through the FAM channel on a qPCR machine. A sample is obtained and washed to extract a clean gDNA sample. A reaction mixture is assembled from primers, probe, master mix, and gDNA samples as required. The qPCR machine of choice is set up and loaded as needed and the mixture undergoes PCR amplification. The Primer mix provided exploits the Taq polymerase to amplify the gene region of interest; while the DNA probe mixture is cleaved during amplification to release a FAM fluorophore. The resulting FAM release can be detected on a variety of qPCR platforms

### 3. Applications

- This kit can be used for specific analysis of the HF183 gene region in liquid gDNA samples.

### 4. Equipment and Reagents Needed (not provided)

- Real-time qPCR Instrument
- qPCR 2X Master Mix
- DNA extraction kit/ gDNA sample
- PCR reaction tubes/plate
- Vortex and centrifuge
- PCR clean 1mL tube
- Micropipettes & Tips

### 5. Components Provided in This Kit

- 170ul HF183 region specific primer pairs (150 reactions)
- 170ul HF183 region specific fluorescent probe (150 reactions)
- 1.5ml PCR clean water

### 6. Reagents Preparation

#### Master Mix (not Provided)

-Caution this reagent is sensitive to contamination and should only be handled in a clean area away from positive control template.

-Store at -20C. Master Mix is stable when stored at -20C. Freeze and thaw cycles should be minimized to increase shelf life.

-If required aliquots of Master Mix should be made and stored at -20C to minimize freeze thaw and contamination risk.

## **Primer/ Probe Mixture**

- Caution these reagents are sensitive to contamination and should only be handled in a clean area away from positive samples.
- Store at -20C. Primer/Probe is stable when stored at -20C. Freeze and thaw cycles should be minimized to increase shelf life.
- If required aliquots of Primer/Probe should be made and stored at -20C in the dark to minimize freeze thaw and contamination risk.

## **7. Control Preparation**

### **Negative extraction control (NEC)**

- If necessary, prepare one NEC each time extracting DNA from your sample.
- RNase/DNase free water is used in place of sample in the extraction system to create a negative for the DNA isolation method.
- The NEC will serve as a contamination control method for the isolation.

### **No Template control (NTC)**

- If necessary, a NTC can be made by replacing gDNA in the PCR reaction with RNase/DNase free water
- The NTC is used to check for contamination during PCR plate set up

## **8. Assay Set Up**

- gDNA isolation will need to be done before starting an experiment. For optimal results use  $>10\text{ng}/\mu\text{L}$  of gDNA with a ratio of  $>1.80$  in your experiment. IEC multiplexing can also be done to ensure proper DNA extraction (not included).

-Plate set up will vary with the quantity of samples you need to run on your plate. A NEC is preferably included in each plate set up. NTCs should be included in each plate set up.

-Determine the number of reactions to set up in your assay (including NEC, PCT and any NTCs for your plate). It is necessary to make extra reaction mixture to allow for pipetting error.

-For convenience a large solution of PCR components will be mixed shortly before starting a reaction and subsequently aliquoted into your plate or tubes. Each PCR run will use 19uL of this reaction mixture and 1uL of isolated gDNA/NTC/PCT/NEC based on the experiment set up.

## 9. qPCR detection protocol

1. For each DNA sample prepare a reaction mix according to the table below:

(Include sufficient reactions for positive and negative controls)

Reagent	Quantity
2X Master Mix	10uL
PCR Water	7uL
Probe	1uL
Dual Primer set	1uL
Final Volume	19uL

2. Pipette 19uL of this mixture into each well according to your qPCR experimental plate set up.

3. Pipette 1uL of sample gDNA into each well, according to your experiment. For negative controls replace the gDNA sample with 1uL of RNase/DNase free water to bring the total volume to 20uL.

## 10. qPCR Amplification Protocol

Amplification conditions using 2x qPCR Master Mix:

Steps	Time	Temperature	Cycles	Detection Format
Initial Denaturation (Taq Activation)	2 min.	94C	1	HF183 = FAM (456-510)
Denaturation	20 sec.	94C	35	
Annealing*	30 sec.	50C		
Extension	45 sec.	74C		

\*Fluorogenic data should be read during this step through the FAM channel

## 11. Expected Performance

Before Interpreting results, it is necessary to verify the integrity of the reaction. If the following criteria are not satisfied, then testing needs to be repeated.

- NEC is free from amplification in the FAM (465-510) channel.
- NTC is free from amplification in the FAM (465-510) channel.

Manually inspect amplification criteria are fulfilled for all samples to verify the integrity of the results.

## 12. Interpreting the test results

If all the data analysis criteria are fulfilled, then each sample can be assessed with the following metric:

Target	Positive control	Negative control	Result
+	+	-	Positive Quantitative result (calculate quantity)
-	+	-	Negative result
+/-	+	CT<35	Experiment failed (contamination)
+/-	+	CT>35	*
+/-	-	+/-	Experiment failed

\*The sample must be reinterpreted based on relative signal of the Target vs. Negative control.

## 13. General Instructions

### 13.1 Shaking of Reagents

- Shake each reagent gently before use.

### 13.2 Out of Date Kits

- Don't use kits that are expired. Don't exchange the reagents of different batches, or else it will drop the sensitivity.

## 14. Storage

- Storage condition: -20°C
- Storage period: 12 months

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