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MANUAL

Expiry time: 1 year

STORE AT -20°C

100 Tests (Ready to use kit)

MAREK'S DISEASE VIRUS

-Only for in vitro use-
-Only for veterinary use-
-To be used by a technical person-

Principle and use:

This amplification kit has been manufactured by *Genekam Biotechnology AG*, Germany to detect Marek's disease in nested PCR (both steps show Marek's disease).

This kit needs DNA which can be isolated from blood, serum, plasma, feather with white pulp, tumour tissue, other tissue and any body fluid. Kindly use good methods to isolate the DNA. **This kit may recognise oncogenic as well as non-oncogenic strains.**

Kindly take common safety laboratory precautions during working.

IMPORTANT: we added cotton or sponge in the lid of container of the kit to avoid damage during transportation. Please remove this cotton or sponge from the lid of each container before storage.

Composition:

It contains the following (**WARNING! THAW THE TUBES SLOWLY: NEVER THAW IN HEATING BLOCK OR WITH HEAT FROM HAND**):

- Tube A (2 tubes)
- Tube B (3 tubes)
- Tube H (2 tubes)
- Positive (+Ve) Control (tube D1) (1 tube)
- Negative (-Ve) Control (tube D2) (1 tube)
- Marker (tube E) (1 tube) (max 1000bp): 100, 150, 200, 300, 400, 500, 600, 700, 800, 900, 1000bp
- Dye (tube F) (1 tube)

Please check them before you start.

Equipment needed:

- PCR thermocycler
- Laboratory centrifuge
- UV plateform
- UV safety goggles
- 0.2ml microtubes
- Pipettes with and without filter (20µl, 5µl & 1µl)
- Pipettes (quality pipettes)
- Gel Agarose chamber
- Power supply
- Paper and pen
- Agarose (good quality)
- Staining (Ethium Bromide)
- TAE buffer 1x
- Vortexer

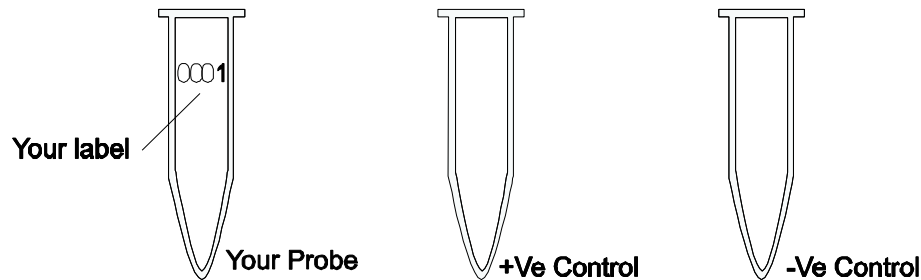
Procedure:

After your DNA isolation is completed. (Kindly use good quality isolation method).

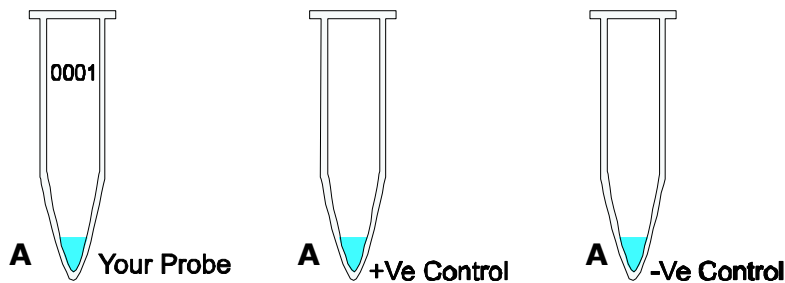
STEP A

1. Kindly thaw **one tube** each: A, B, H, D1, D2, E and F. After thaw, kindly put the tubes on 4°C (as it is better). If the kit is not in use, store them at -20°C.

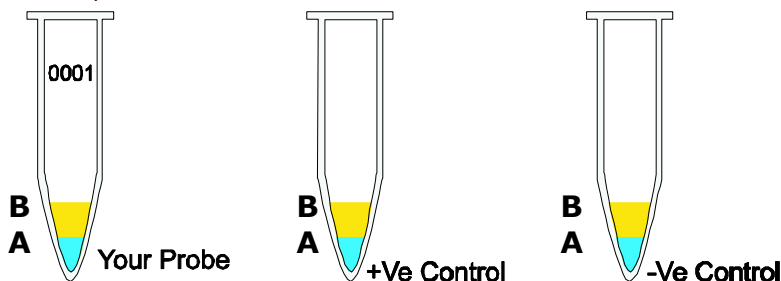
2. Mark your microtubes with a sample number and with +Ve Control and -Ve Control.



3. Thaw tube A. Add 8µl of tube A to each tube.



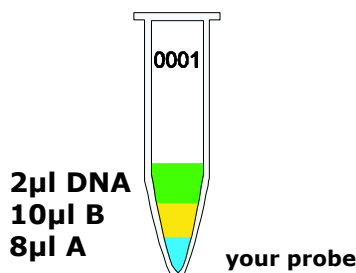
4. Add 10µl of B to each microtube. Avoid to touch the wall of the microtubes.



5. **Our Tip A:** You can save time and money, if you calculate how much reagents you need for the whole experience in advance. You can mix 8µl of A and 10µl of B per reaction. They can be mixed together in one tube and you can add 18µl from this total solution to each tube (e.g. if you have 10 reactions then you need 80µl of A and 100µl of A). It can also help to avoid cross-contamination.

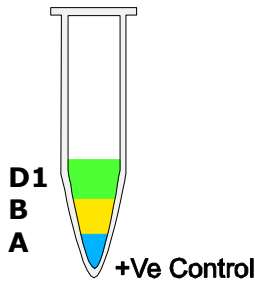
6. Add 2µl of your DNA template (DNA isolated from samples) with pipette tip with filter to each microtube according to your label except +Ve and -Ve (Avoid touching the wall).

Use everytime a new pipette tip (for each sample).

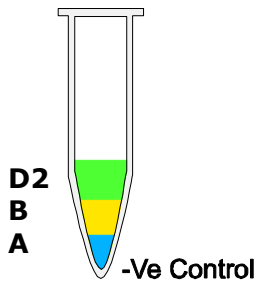


2µl DNA
10µl B
8µl A

7. Use new pipette tip with filter. Add 2µl of +Ve (tube D1) to +Ve Control (avoid to touch the wall). Use a new pipette tip. Mix it.

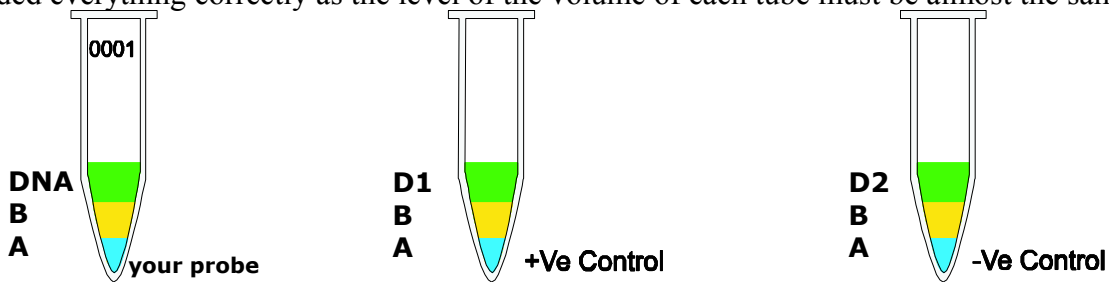


8. Use a new pipette tip. Add 2µl of -Ve (tube D2) to -Ve Control (avoid the walls). Mix it.



9. Centrifuge all tubes for 20 sec. for 8000 rpm (this is not necessary but it is better).

10. Run the programm of your thermocycler as followings: Kindly check whether you have added everything correctly as the level of the volume of each tube must be almost the same.



Now program your PCR machine as follows.

1.

A. 45 seconds at 94°C	}	35 cycles
B. 45 seconds at 55°C		
C. 90 seconds at 72°C		

Before you start the PCR program, kindly check whether tubes are closed properly. **Microtubes must be in contact with metal block** (very important!). There should be no air or lose contact with metal block of thermocycler.

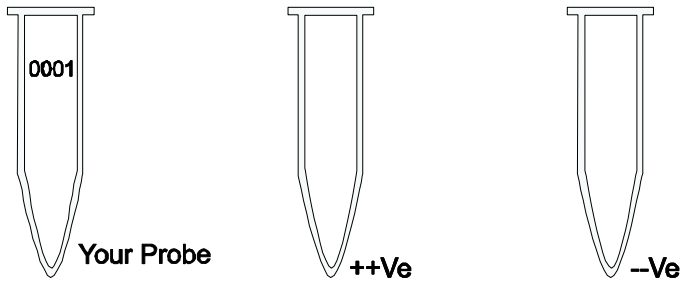
10a. Do not freeze your tubes with A, B, H, D keep them at 4°C (if you are going to use them again within 2-3 weeks). If you do not need them – freeze them at -20°C.

11. After step 9 is finished take out the microtubes.

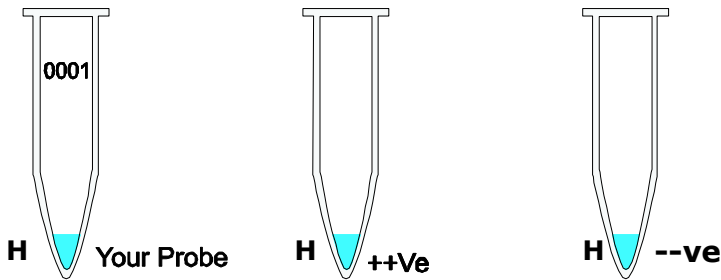
To see Marek's disease, you can go directly to step gel electrophoreses (STEP C). Meanwhile you can go to step B (This step is for MAREK'S DISEASE).

STEP B

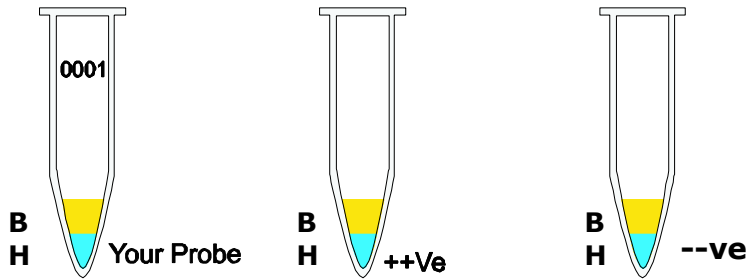
1. Mark your microtubes with a sample number and with +Ve Control and -Ve Control.



2. Add 9µl of tube H to each tube.



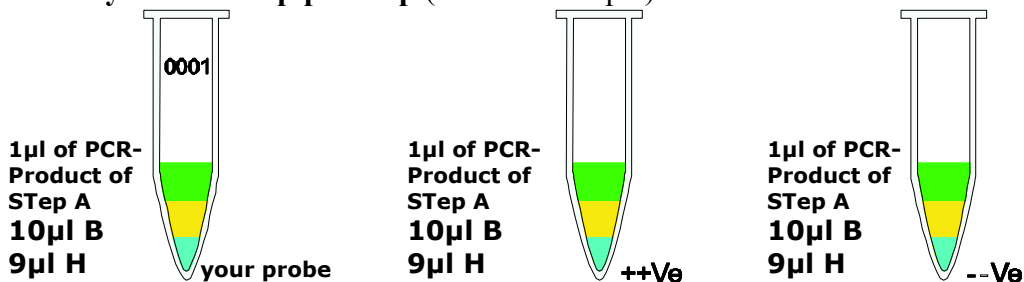
3. Add 10µl of B to each microtube. (Avoid to touch the walls of the microtubes).



TIP: use the tip A told on page 2 under point 5, but you need 19 µl total per reaction. For 10 reactions, add 100 µl tube B + 90 µl tube H = 190 µl total. Pipette out 19 µl per reaction.

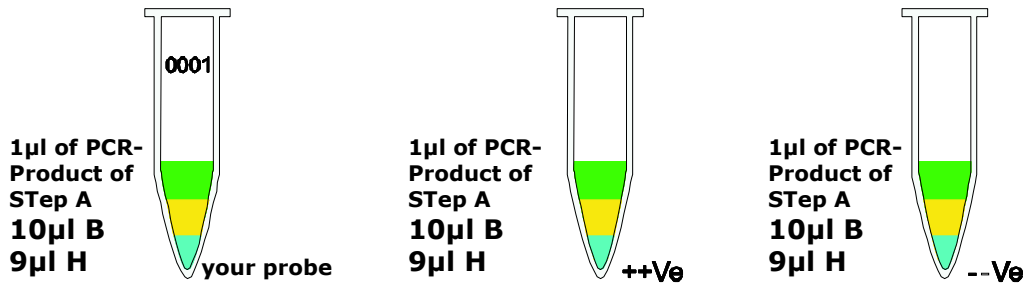
4. Add 1µl of your PCR-product of **STEP A**. It is the end product of thermocycler of **STEP A**) with pipette tip with filter to each (Avoid touching the wall), according to your labelling plan. (Same number or label name as your microtubes of step A).

Use everytime a new pipette tip (For each sample)! Mix it.



5. Centrifuge each microtube for 20 sec. for 780 rpm (this is not necessary but it is better).

6. Run the program of your thermocycler as followings: Kindly check whether you have added everything correctly. The level of volume should be the same in each tube.



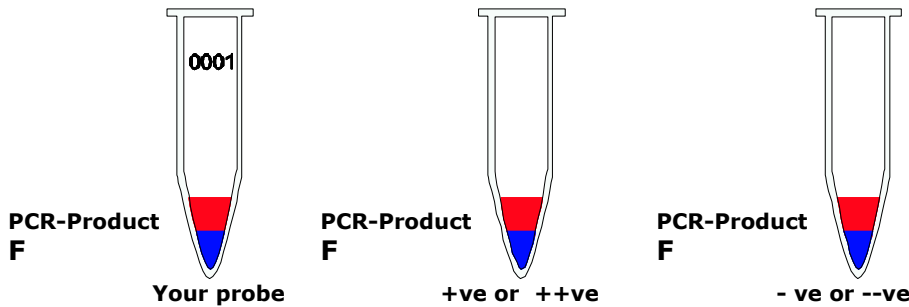
Program of thermocycler: Run this program

- A. 45 seconds at 94°C
 - B. 45 seconds at 55°C
 - C. 90 seconds at 72°C
- } 35 cycles

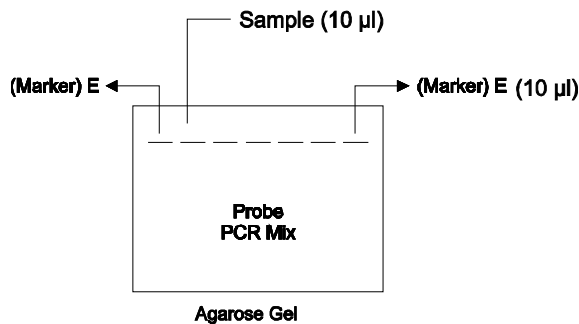
After the program is over you can go to **STEP C**.

STEP C

1. Prepare the gel Agarose **1.5%** in TAE (1x) buffer.
2. Let the Gel dry and add this TAE (1x) buffer in gel chamber.
3. Take the tube E (marker). Make ready to use for gel electrophoresis.
4. After the PCR step is finished, now you can prepare for gel Agarose electrophoresis. Take 2µl of Dye (tube F) and add to each microtube (with the same number as your PCR microtubes including +Ve & -Ve Controls).



5. Add 10µl of marker (tube E: 100bp) to first and last lane of electrophoresis. (Kindly make lane plan on paper according to your probes in order to identify later and see the results).



6. Add 10µl of mix of step 4 to each lane of gel Agarose (between first and last lane). Change the pipette tip for each lane.
7. Run the gel for **50 min.** at **120 Volt**. It may vary.
8. Make staining solution ready.
9. Put the gel for 5-15 minutes staining solution (0.5µg/ml).

10. View the gel under UV light. UV light is dangerous for your eyes. Use UV goggles.

11. You must find the bands in positive control and no band in negative control.

In the 1st step: **1062 bp** (oncogenic strain) or 1242bp (non-oncogenic strain) in positive samples i.e. it is Marek's disease positive.

In the 2nd step: 236bp or **583bp** (oncogenic strain) or 763bp (non-oncogenic strain) in positive samples i.e. it is Marek's disease positive.

Hint: gene sequencing is highly recommended to reconfirm the positive results.

If you should find any mistakes, please let us know. Thank you.

Suggestion:

This manual has been written specifically for beginners, hence persons with experience in PCR must use their experience to keep each step as small as possible e.g. you should calculate the amount of the needed chemicals, before starting with testing.

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