

MASTISOPLEX® VTEC & E. coli 0157

Individual Kits for the Rapid detection of VTEC and *E.coli* O157



Introduction

Escherichia coli is a Gram-negative, rod-shaped bacterium commonly found in the gastrointestinal tract of humans and warm-blooded animals. While most *E.coli* constitute the commensal flora of the gastrointestinal tract, there are a number of pathogenic *E.coli* strains which can cause a variety of illness in humans and animals.¹

Verotoxin-producing *Escherichia coli* (VTEC) is one of the major causes of food-borne illness in humans, particularly *E.coli* O157. It is transmitted via the faecal-oral route when food becomes contaminated with the faeces of infected animals, predominantly cattle. The main virulence factors (genes) identified for human pathogenic VTEC are those encoding for verotoxins (VT1, VT2). VTEC causes the onset of bloody diarrhoea and has the potential to cause infections of a more severe nature including haemolytic uraemic syndrome (HUS), which can be problematic for infants often causing renal failure.¹

Rapid detection and identification of VTEC is essential in order to maintain infection control and carry out vital monitoring. The majority of microbiology laboratories use traditional culture methods to perform a single screen for VTEC-O157 such as Sorbitol MacConkey Agar supplemented with cefixime tellurite (CT-SMAC). However, this can result in other serogroups and Sorbitol-fermenting-O157 strains being overlooked, with an average of 80% of cases going undetected.²

Using Novel MAST patented Probe Technology³

MAST ISOPLEX® VTEC & MAST ISOPLEX® E.coli O157 use loop mediated isothermal amplification (LAMP) technology and come in a convenient lyophilised format.

For use with real time thermal cyclers with FAM. TAMRA and CY5 channels

MAST ISOPLEX® *VTEC* kit is optimised for typing of VTEC variants 1 and 2 (VT1 and VT2). VT1 and VT2 genes can be detected simultaneously in a triplex assay format with an inhibition control DNA (IC DNA).

For use with real time thermal cyclers with FAM and TAMRA channels

MAST ISOPLEX® E.coli O157. The kit contains reagents for detection of Perosamine synthetase (RfbE) expressed by E.coli O157. E.coli O157 genes can be detected simultaneously in a duplex assay format with an inhibition control DNA (IC DNA).

LAMP assay preparation Microtube Resuspend pellet Add Primer and Pipette 10µl Place in real-time Read and interpret containing VTEC in reconstitution Probe mix with of reaction mix analyser results with ease or E.coli O157 Inhibition Control into reaction wells, buffer Pellet DNA. add DNA

Benefits

Kits contain Inhibition Controls

• Reducing false-negative results.

Differentiation between VT1 and VT2

• MAST ISOPLEX® VTEC detects VT1 and VT1 genes simultaneously

E.coli O157 gene detected

• MAST ISOPLEX® E.coli O157 detects E.coli O157 gene

Highly Specific and Sensitive

• Highly efficient amplification process can detect femtogram levels of target DNA

Rapid & Easy to Use

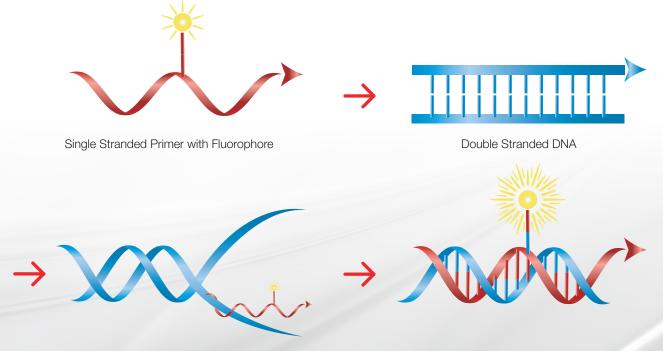
• Results within 40 minutes, permitting rapid reporting and effective outbreak monitoring

CE Marked Kits

• MAST ISOPLEX® VTEC and MAST ISOPLEX® E.coli O157 can be applied within clinical laboratories.

Novel Probe Technology enabling Multiplexing

MAST ISOPLEX® LAMP assays rely on 6 specific primers that recognise 8 locations within a target DNA sequence. **MAST** ISOPLEX® Probe technology³ consists of single gene-specific oligonucleotides labelled with a fluorophore of choice. These oligonucleotides are incorporated into LAMP primer sets against targets of interest and enable accurate, real-time detection and amplification of target DNA.



Displacement by DNA Polymerase. Single stranded Primer with Fluorophore binds to the DNA. Extended primer fluorescence occurs with primer elongation into double stranded product

Kit Contents

MAST ISOPLEX VTEC	Quantity	MAST ISOPLEX E.coli O157	Quantity
LAMP Pellets (PEL1) Red Cap	X2	LAMP PELLETS (PEL2) Violet Cap	X2
VTEC Primer and Probe Mix with Inhibition Control DNA (PP1) White Cap	X2	E.coli O157 Primer and Probe Mix with Inhibition Control DNA (PP2) Blue Cap	X2
Positive Control DNA Green Cap	X1	Positive Control DNA Brown Cap	X1
Reconstitution Buffer Yellow Cap	X1	Reconstitution Buffer Yellow Cap	X1
Molecular Grade Water Black Cap	X1	Molecular Grade Water Black Cap	X1

Ordering Information

Order Code	Product	Pack Size
DNA/LYO3	MAST ISOPLEX® VTEC	20 Tests
DNA/LYO4	MAST ISOPLEX® E.coli O157	20 Tests

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