

S30 cell free kit protocol - 1 reaction

* For more than one reaction, multiply all amounts by the number of reactions required (i.e. if 2 reactions required, MM would contain 10µl amino acid mix, 40µl S30 premix, and 30µl S30 extract, circular)

*Remember to account for the cell free kit control when determining the number of reactions required

*Typical protein yield is between 50 and 250 ng per 50µl reaction (i.e. 1 - 5ng/µl of protein)

Master mix preparation:

*Keep on ice

*Make up an extra 0.25 of a reaction (i.e. 1.25µl AA (0.63+0.63), 5µl S30 premix, 3.75µl S30 extract) to ensure accurate pipetting

- a. Prepare 5µl of complete amino acid mix by mixing together two incomplete amino acid mixes (e.g. minus cysteine and minus leucine) in equal amounts, i.e. 2.5µl + 2.5µl
- b. Prepare the cell free kit master mix in this order:
 - S30 premix (gently mixed): 20µl
 - S30 extract, circular (gently mixed): 15µl
 - Amino acid mix: 5µl (from previous step)

Reaction set-up:

*Prepare on ice

*Set up a separate reaction for each plasmid to be expressed

- Master mix: 40µl
- Nuclease-free water: up to 50µl
- DNA template: ≤ 2µg

*Also set up a cell-free control

- pBEST/lucTM DNA (1µg/µl): 2µl
- Master mix: 40µl
- Nuclease-free water: up to 50µl

Procedure:

1. Vortex gently and centrifuge for 5 seconds
2. Incubate reactions at 37C for 60 minutes
3. Stop reaction by placing on ice for 5 mins

Luc control measurement:

1. Prepare four 2 in 1 serial dilutions of the Luc cell free reaction by mixing 50 μ l of luciferase dilution reagent and 50 μ l of cell free reaction at RT
2. Add 50 μ l of luciferase reagent to each dilution and measure luminescence immediately