



## ***human MGMT PCR Primer Pair™***

**Catalog Number:** RDP-126-025

**Pack Size:** 25 tests

**Lot Number:**

**Expiration Date:**

### ***Specifications and Use***

<b>Description</b>	♦ Human MGMT (O-6 methylguanine-DNA methyltransferase) specific PCR* primers for RT-PCR (reverse transcription followed by polymerase chain reaction) analysis of mRNA expression.
<b>Components</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ <b>Primer Pair</b>- Lyophilized. Each vial contains 375 pmoles of each primer. Adjust to a final concentration of 7.5 pmoles/μL by resuspending Primer Pair in either 50 μL autoclaved deionized water or TE buffer (10 mM Tris HCl, pH 8.0 @ 25° C; 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0 @ 25° C).</li><li>♦ <b>Positive Control 18</b> - Lyophilized. Each vial contains 150 ng synthetic double-stranded DNA. Resuspend in 30 μL autoclaved deionized water or TE buffer. Not intended for quantitative purposes.</li></ul>
<b>Sequence</b>	♦ GenBank® NM_002412
<b>Product Sizes</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ <b>cDNA</b>: 283 base pairs (bp)</li><li>♦ <b>Genomic DNA</b>: Partial sequence available. No product observed.</li><li>♦ <b>Positive Control 18</b>: 350 bp</li><li>♦ <b>Alternate splice variants</b>: None Reported</li></ul>
<b>Storage</b>	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>♦ The lyophilized Primer Pair is stable for greater than one year at -20° C. The Primer Pair resuspended in water or TE buffer is stable for one year at -20° C in a non-frost free freezer. Aliquot in single use portions.</li><li>♦ <b>Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.</b></li></ul>

### ***Tips***

- Use either random primers or oligo (dT) for RT.
- The recommended annealing temperature is 55° C.

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\* PCR is covered by US Patent Nos. 4683195 and 4683202 assigned to Hoffmann-La Roche.

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# PCR Guide

We recommend the following protocol for R&D Systems' PCR Primer Pairs™.

1. Prepare on ice a PCR master mix containing the following components for each reaction:

5 µL	10x dNTP mix (10x= 2 mM each)
5 µL	10x Taq buffer (with MgCl <sub>2</sub> )
0.5 µL	Taq DNA Polymerase (5 units/µL)
36.5 µL	autoclaved deionized water

2. Pipette 47 µL of the master mix into a PCR tube and add:

2 µL	primer mix
1 µL	cDNA template or 1 µL PCR Positive Control.

3. Briefly spin each tube and add 30 µL mineral oil to each reaction to prevent evaporation. Cap the tube and place in a thermocycler.

4. Perform the following program:

94 °C for 4 minutes

94 °C for 45 seconds	} x 30-35 cycles
55 °C for 45 seconds	
72 °C for 45 seconds	

72 °C for 10 minutes

**Analysis of Results:** The PCR products can be analyzed by agarose gel electrophoresis. For predicted sizes of PCR products, refer to the specification sheet.

## Troubleshooting

Problem	Suggestions
No PCR products obtained	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Operator error may have occurred during reaction assembly. Run positive control reaction.</li><li>• Unsuccessful cDNA synthesis. Repeat PCR reaction with primers for a housekeeping gene as a control to show that RT was successful.</li><li>• RNA may be degraded. Check the integrity of RNA by gel electrophoresis. A good quality RNA preparation should show the 28S and 18S ribosomal RNAs in an approximate 2:1 ratio. If RNA appears degraded, repeat RNA isolation.</li><li>• RNA secondary structure may be inhibiting cDNA synthesis. This can often be overcome by using random primers.</li><li>• The target RNA concentration may be too low. Increase the amount of cDNA template used in PCR reaction or the number of cycles used to amplify the cDNA.</li></ul>
Smearing or bands of unpredicted size	<ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Non-specific priming may have occurred. Increase annealing temperature, perform a hot-start or decrease the amount of cDNA template.</li></ul>