# **GScript RTase**

Cat No. MB303-0010 Size: 10 Reactions Store @ -20°C

#### Description

The GScript RTase is recombinant M-MLV RTase expressed in *E. coli* and purified to homogeneity. It has lower RNase H activity and high thermal stability. The enzyme is widely used to synthesize first-strand cDNA at temperatures up to 55°C with increased specificity, higher yields of cDNA, and more full-length product than other reverse transcriptases. It can generate cDNA from 100 bp to 12 Kb.

## Component

 $\begin{array}{ll} \text{GScript RTase} & 10 \ \mu\text{l} \\ \text{5X RT Buffer} & 50 \ \mu\text{l} \\ \text{0.1 M DTT} & 20 \ \mu\text{l} \end{array}$ 

### **First-Strand cDNA Synthesis**

1. In a sterile microfuge tube, first add:

RNA solution (10 pg~5 µg total RNA or 10 pg~500 ng mRNA)

1  $\mu$ l oligo(dT)<sub>20</sub> (50  $\mu$ M), or other primers

1 μl 10 mM dNTP Mix

nuclease-free H<sub>2</sub>O to final volume of 13 μl

- 2. Heat for 3-5 minutes at 65°C. Spin briefly and place promptly on ice.
- 3. Add:

4 μl 5X RT Buffer

1 ul 0.1 M DTT

1  $\mu$ l RNase Inhibitor (10 U/ $\mu$ l)

1 μl GScript RTase (200 units/μl)

final volume 20 ul

If generating cDNA longer than 5 kb at temperatures above 50°C using a gene-specific primer or oligo(dT)<sub>20</sub>, the amount of GScript RTase may be raised to 400 U (2  $\mu$ l) to increase yield.

- 4. Incubate at 50°C for 30-60 minutes. Increase the reaction temperature to 55°C for gene-specific primer. Reaction temperature may also be increased to 55°C for difficult templates or templates with high secondary.
- 5. Inactivate enzyme at 70°C for 15 minutes.
- 6. Store products at -20°C or proceed to PCR using 2  $\mu$ l first-strand cDNA synthesis reaction mixture. Amplification of some PCR targets (> 1 kb) may require the removal of RNA complementary to the cDNA. To remove RNA complementary to the cDNA, add 1  $\mu$ l (2 units) of *E. coli* RNase H and incubate at 37°C for 20 minutes.

#### Storage

Store all components at -20°C (non-frost-free). Thaw 5X RT Buffer, 0.1 M DTT at room temperature just prior to use and refreeze immediately.

