

EasyMag DNA Methylation Kit

**Catalog Number: D201-1, D201-2** 

Table 1. Kit Components and Storage

Kit Component	D201-1 (96 preps)	D201-2 (4×96 preps)	Storage	Stability
CT Conversion Reagent*	1 bottle	4 bottles	Room Temperature	The product is stable for one year when stored as directed.
Dilution Buffer	3.5 mL	14 mL		
Dissolving Buffer	600 µL	2×1.2 mL		
Binding Buffer	60 mL	2×120 mL		
Wash Buffer**	15 mL	2×25 mL		
Desulphonation Buffer	20 mL	80 mL		
Elution Buffer	2×1.5 mL	15 mL		
MagPure Beads	2 mL	8 mL		

<sup>\* 9</sup> mL water, 3 mL Dilution Buffer, and 500 µL Dissolving Buffer must be added per tube of **CT Conversion Reagent** prior to use.

# **Product Description**

EasyMag DNA Methylation Kit integrates DNA denaturation and bisulfite conversion processes into one-step coupled to a magnetic bead based clean-up for high-throughput methylation analysis. Also, the kit has been streamlined for high yield recovery of DNA following DNA bisulfite conversion. Desulphonation and clean-up of the converted DNA is performed while bound to the MagPure Beads. The kit is optimized to minimize template degradation, loss of DNA during treatment and clean-up, and to provide complete conversion of unmethylated cytosines. Recovered DNA is ideal for PCR amplification for downstream analyses including endonuclease digestion, sequencing, microarrays, etc.

#### **Features**

- Complete, high-throughput, bisulfite conversion of DNA in less than 2 hours.
- A coupled heat denaturation/conversion reaction step streamlines the conversion of non-methylated cytosines into uracil.
- High throughput (96-well), automated desulphonation and recovery of bisulfite-treated DNA.
- Recovered DNA is ideal for downstream analyses such as PCR, endonuclease digestion, sequencing, microarrays, etc.

## **Reagent Preparation**

#### Preparation of CT Conversion Reagent

The **CT Conversion Reagent** supplied within this kit is a solid mixture and must be prepared prior to first use. Prepare as follows:

<sup>\*\*</sup> Add 60 mL of 100% ethanol to the 15 mL **Wash Buffer** concentrate (D201-1) or 100 mL of 100% ethanol to the 25 mL **Wash Buffer** concentrate (D201-2) before use.

- 1. Add 9 mL water, 3 mL of **Dilution Buffer**, and 500 μL **Dissolving Buffer** to a tube of **CT Conversion Reagent**.
- 2. Mix at room temperature with frequent vortexing or shaking for 15 minutes.

**Note:** It is normal to see trace amounts of undissolved reagent in the **CT Conversion Reagent**. Each bottle of **CT Conversion Reagent** is designed for 96 separate DNA treatments.

**Storage:** The **CT Conversion Reagent** is light sensitive, so minimize its exposure to light. For best results, the **CT Conversion Reagent** should be used immediately following preparation. If not used immediately, the **CT Conversion Reagent** solution can be stored overnight at room temperature, one week at 4°C, or up to one month at -20°C. Stored **CT Conversion Reagent** solution must be warmed to 37°C, then vortexed prior to use.

### Preparation of Wash Buffer

Add 64 mL of 100% ethanol to the 16 mL **Wash Buffer** concentrate (D201-1) or 256 mL of 100% ethanol to the 64 mL **Wash Buffer** concentrate (D201-2) before use.

#### **General Protocol**

- 1. Add 130  $\mu$ L of the **CT Conversion Reagent** to 20  $\mu$ L of your DNA sample in a 96-well PCR plate. If the volume of the DNA sample is less than 20  $\mu$ L, make up the difference with water. Mix the sample by pipetting the sample up and down.
- 2. Seal the plate, and place the plate in a thermal cycler and perform the following steps:

Step1. 95 °C for 5 min

Step2. 54 °C for 30 min

Step3. 95 °C for 1 min

Step4. 54 °C for 30 min

Step5. 95 °C for 1 min

Step6. 54 °C for 30 min

Step7. 4 °C storage for up to 20 hours

Note: The 4°C storage step is optional.

- 3. Add 600 µL of Binding Buffer and 20 µL of MagPure Beads to each well of a deep-well plate.
- 4. Transfer the samples from the 96-well PCR plate into the deep-well plate containing the **Binding Buffer** and **MagPure Beads**. Mix by pipetting up and down 3-6 times.
- 5. Let plate stand at room temperature for 5 minutes, then transfer plate to a magnetic stand for an additional 5 minutes or until beads pellet and supernatant is cleared. With the plate on the magnetic stand remove the supernatant and discard.
- 6. Remove the plate from the magnetic stand. Add 400 μL of **Wash Buffer** to the beads. Re-suspend the beads by pipetting up and down or vortexing the plate at 1,500 rpm for 30 seconds. Replace the plate on the magnetic stand for 3 minutes or until beads pellet. Remove and discard supernatant.
- 7. Add 200 µL of **Desulphonation Buffer** to the beads. Re-suspend the beads by pipetting up and down or vortexing for 30 seconds. Let plate stand at room temperature (20°C-30°C) for 15-20 minutes. After the incubation, replace the plate on the magnetic stand for 3 minutes or until beads pellet. Remove and discard supernatant.
- 8. Add 200 µL of **Wash Buffer** to the beads. Re-suspend the beads by pipetting up and down or vortexing for 30 seconds. Replace the plate on the magnetic stand for 3 minutes or until beads pellet. Remove and discard supernatant. Repeat this wash step.
- 9. Dry the beads by placing the plate at 50°C for 10-30 min until the beads become brittle and brown.



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10. Add 25  $\mu$ L of **Elution Buffer** directly to the dried beads and pipette or vortex for 30 seconds to resuspend.

11. Heat the elution at 50°C for 4 minutes then transfer the plate to the magnetic stand for 1 minute or until beads pellet. Pipette off the supernatant and transfer to a clean plate or tubes.