



# lambdaMGU2

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## Description

This is a vector useful for constructing cDNA libraries. It permits positive selection for inserts using the Spi<sup>-</sup> phenotype, and excision of phagemid by cre/lox site-specific recombination. To enable the positive selection of inserts, the library should be plated on a P2 lysogen such as *E. coli* Q359 (ATCC 47019). To prepare phagemid from lambdaMGU2, grow recombinants on a RecA<sup>-</sup> host expressing the Cre protein (*E. coli* 1046[pCRE1], ATCC 77368) and select for ampicillin resistance. The pMGU product is 4.185 kb. Efficiency of phagemid recovery is approximately 20%. Plasmid pCRE1 may be a low level contaminant, but is easily distinguished from pMGU DNA. Inserts can be amplified using the following primers flanking the BamHI cloning site: Upstream 5' – AAGAGGCAGAACTGGCAG – 3' and downstream 5' – ATCGATGCATAGCGATTC – 3'. The order of the major features in the cloning region of the lambda vector is : lambda J – SmaI – SalI – loxP – EcoRI – M13 ori – ampR – pMB1 ori – HindIII – 3'gam/BamHI/5'gam – XhoI – loxP – SalI – lambda N.

**Clone type:** Clone

**Shipping information:** bacteria-free phage lysate

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## Storage Conditions

**Product format:** Freeze-dried

**Storage conditions:** 2°C to 8°C

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## Intended Use

This product is intended for laboratory research use only. It is not intended for any animal or human therapeutic use, any human or animal consumption, or any diagnostic use.

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## Vector Information

**Intact vector size:** 41.7

**Type of vector:** phage

**Cloning sites:** BamHI

**Markers:** ampR

**Replicon:** lambda, pMB1, m13

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## Handling Procedures

### Starting and Amplifying ATCC Bacteriophage Lambda Clones and Vectors

1. Make fresh plating bacteria. Grow *E. coli* host strain overnight or at least to A<sub>600</sub> = 0.4 in medium containing 0.2% maltose (to give higher titers).
2. Spin down cells in a low speed centrifuge. Resuspend in 0.4 volumes 10 mM MgSO<sub>4</sub> or SM buffer. Store at 4°C.
3. Pipette 100 µL of the host suspension to a sterile test tube. Add 3 mL. of warm (50°C) LB lambda top agar (see below) containing 0.2% maltose and mix gently.

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Pour onto plates. Allow the plates to solidify.

4. Open vial according to instructions. Aseptically add 0.3 to 0.4 mL of liquid medium (SM or 10 mM MgSO<sub>4</sub>) to the freeze-dried pellet and mix well.
5. Spot a loopful or two on the lawn of the freshly poured bacteria.
6. Incubate overnight at 37°C. Fresh plates give larger plaques.
7. Cut plaques out of agar and add them to 0.5 mL of 10 mM MgSO<sub>4</sub> or SM buffer and store at 4°C overnight.
8. Add 100 µL phage dilution to 100 µL prepared plating bacteria and mix gently. Incubate in a 37°C water bath for 20 minutes to allow phage to adsorb.
9. Add 3 mL LB lambda top agar (see below) containing 0.2% maltose and mix gently. Pour onto plates. Incubate overnight at 37°C. Fresh plates give larger plaques.
10. Invert open plate over a chloroform-saturated adsorbent paper for 10 minutes.
11. Add 7.5 mL of 10 mM MgSO<sub>4</sub> or SM buffer to the plate and allow to stand at room temp for 1 hour or in 4°C overnight.
12. Collect and save the liquid on the plate. This should be a high titer lysate. Add a few drops of chloroform if its going to be stored for more than a few days.

LB Lambda top agar medium:

NaCl, 5 g

Tryptone, 10 g

Yeast extract, 5 g

Distilled water to 1 L

Sterilize at 121°C, 15 minutes. Cool to approximately 50°C and add the following sterile solutions.

1M CaCl<sub>2</sub>, 5 mL

MgSO<sub>4</sub> H<sub>2</sub>O to a final concentration of 0.2% w/v

50% maltose, 5 mL

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## Notes

For Cre-lox conversion proecedures, please refer to the following reference: Gene (Amst.) 120: 135-141, 1992.

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## Material Citation

If use of this material results in a scientific publication, please cite the material in the following manner: lambdaMGU2 (ATCC 77367)

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## References

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