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Summary: GoTaq® qPCR Master Mix(a,b) is a reagent system for quantitative PCR (qPCR). The system contains a new fluorescent DNA-binding dye that often exhibits greater fluorescence enhancement upon binding to double-stranded DNA (dsDNA) than SYBR. Green I. GoTaq® qPCR Master Mix is provided as a simple-to-use, stabilized 2X formulation that includes all components for qPCR except sample DNA, primers and water. This formulation, which includes a proprietary dsDNA-binding dye, a low level of carboxy-X-rhodamine (CXR) reference dye (identical to ROX™ dye), GoTaq. Hot Start Polymerase, MgCl₂, dNTPs and a proprietary reaction buffer, produces optimal results in qPCR experiments. A separate tube of CXR Reference Dye is included for use with instruments that require a higher level of reference dye than that in the GoTaq® qPCR Master Mix. Advantages of the GoTaq® qPCR Master Mix Dye: The proprietary dye provides brighter dsDNA-dependent fluorescence than SYBR. Green I, with less PCR inhibition than SYBR® Green. The dye enables efficient amplification, resulting in earlier quantification cycle (C_q) values and an expanded linear range using the same filters and settings as SYBR® Green I. The CXR reference dye can be detected using the same filters and settings as those used for ROX™ dye. Quantification cycle is formerly known as cycle threshold (C_t). Polymerase/Buffer Formulation: GoTaq® Hot Start Polymerase contains full-length Taq DNA polymerase bound to a proprietary antibody that prevents polymerase activity at room temperature. Thermal activation is achieved by incubating the assembled reaction at 95°C for 2 minutes. The proprietary polymerase/buffer formulation accommodates extended cycle numbers (45–50 cycles) and is compatible with thermal cycling programs that require extended activation (95°C for 10 minutes). Performance: You can expect reliable performance with minimal lot-to-lot variation: efficient, sensitive and linear qPCR amplification over a wide dynamic range. GoTaq® qPCR Master Mix Protocol If you are currently performing dye-based qPCR, the GoTaq® qPCR Master Mix

can simply be substituted for your current master mix. For consistency within an experimental set, prepare a sufficient volume of reaction mix without template DNA for the DNA standard reactions and experimental sample reactions. The protocol for a 50 μ l reaction is outlined below. Component volumes may be scaled as appropriate. This protocol assumes that 20% of the reaction volume is DNA template (e.g., 10 μ l of DNA template added to 40 μ l of reaction mix). If the volume of DNA template is more or less than 10 μ l, adjust the volume of Nuclease-Free Water accordingly so that the final reaction volume is 50 μ l.

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