

Q5[®] High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase

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Q5 and Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity DNA Polymerases

Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase sets a new standard for both fidelity and performance. With the highest fidelity amplification available (~280X higher than *Taq* and > 5X higher than Thermo Scientific® Phusion®), Q5 DNA Polymerase results in ultra-low error rates. Q5 DNA Polymerase is composed of a novel polymerase that is fused to the processivity-enhancing Sso7d DNA binding domain, improving speed, fidelity and reliability of performance.

"Q5 works great. It was able to amplify a very difficult product, one I honestly didn't think would work. I am extremely happy with the Q5 enzyme."

SCIENTIST — VANDERBILT UNIVERSITY

Five quality features of Q5:

1. Fidelity – the highest fidelity amplification available (~280X higher than *Taq* and > 5X higher than Phusion)
2. Robustness – high specificity and yield with minimal optimization
3. Coverage – superior performance for a broad range of amplicons (from high AT to high GC)
4. Speed – short extension times
5. Amplicon length – robust amplifications up to 20 kb for simple template, and 10 kb for complex



Mandarin Ducks (*Aix galericulata*) are frequently featured in Chinese art and are regarded as a symbol of fidelity.

Visit Q5PCR.com to request a sample and to view the latest video tutorials on Q5 DNA Polymerase from NEB scientists.

Choose Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase for ALL your high-fidelity PCR needs.

Comparison of high-fidelity polymerases

PRODUCT NAME (SUPPLIER)	POLYMERASE FIDELITY (Reported by supplier)	MAXIMUM AMPLICON LENGTH ⁵	EXTENSION TIME ⁵ (For simple templates ⁴)	EXTENSION TIME ⁵ (For complex templates ⁴)
Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase (NEB)	~280X <i>Taq</i> ¹	20 kb simple; 10 kb complex	10 s/kb	10 s/kb (< 1 kb) 20–30 s/kb (> 1 kb)
Phusion High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase (NEB)	39X <i>Taq</i> ¹	20 kb simple; 10 kb complex	15 s/kb	30 s/kb
Accuprime <i>Pfx</i> (Life)	26X <i>Taq</i> ²	12 kb ³	60 s/kb ³	
<i>PfuUltra</i> II Fusion HS (Agilent)	20X <i>Taq</i> ²	19 kb ³	15 s/kb (< 10 kb ³) 30 s/kb (> 10 kb ³)	
<i>PfuUltra</i> High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase (Agilent)	19X <i>Taq</i> ²	17 kb simple; 6 kb complex	60 s/kb (< 10 kb) 120 s/kb (> 10 kb)	60 s/kb (< 6 kb) 120 s/kb (> 6 kb)
KOD DNA Polymerase (EMD)	12X <i>Taq</i> ¹	6 kb simple; 2 kb complex	10–20 s/kb	30–60 s/kb
Platinum <i>Taq</i> HiFi (Life)	6X <i>Taq</i> ²	20 kb ³	60 s/kb ³	

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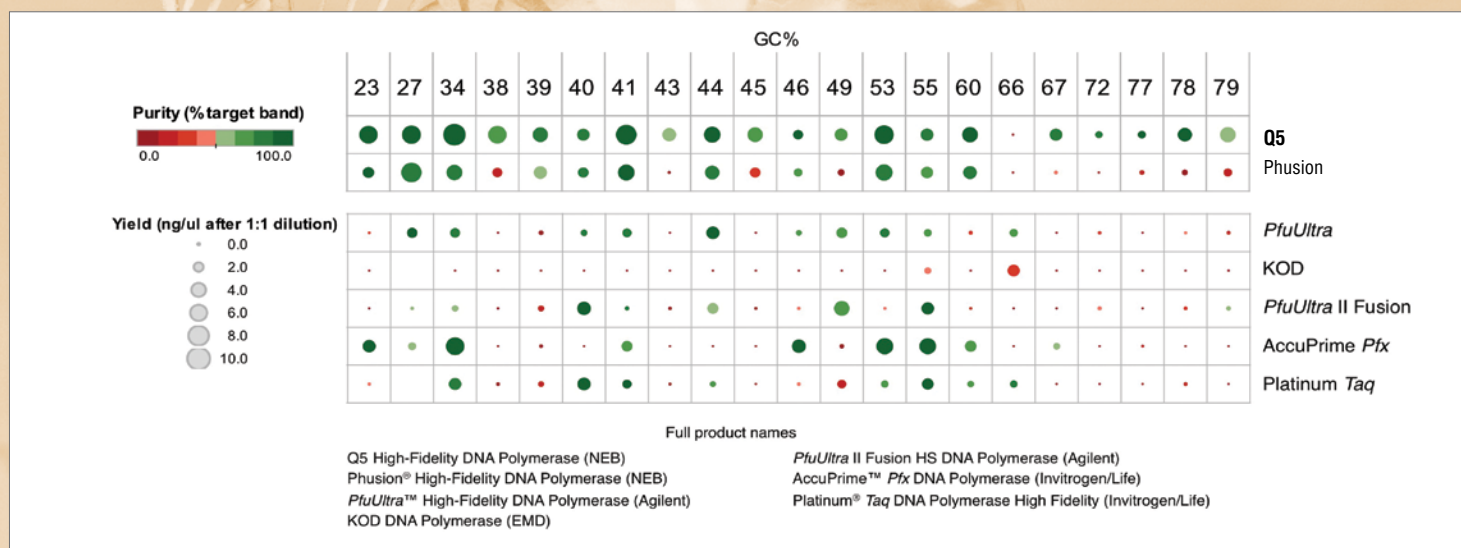
² PCR-based mutation screening in *lacZ* (NEB), *lacI* (Agilent) or *rpsL* (Life).

³ Template not specified.

⁴ Simple templates include plasmid, viral and *E. coli* genomic DNA. Complex templates include plant, human and other mammalian genomic DNA.

⁵ Values provided by individual manufacturers.

Q5 provides superior amplification performance across a wide range of genomic targets



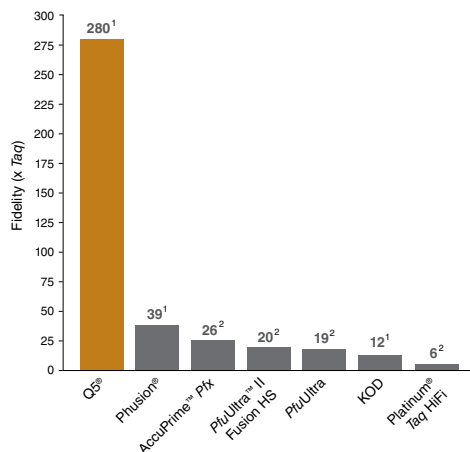
PCR was performed with a variety of amplicons, with GC content ranging from high AT to high GC, with Q5 and several other commercially available polymerases. All polymerases were cycled according to manufacturers' recommendations, including use of GC Buffers and enhancers when recommended. Yield and purity of reaction products were quantitated and represented, as shown in the figure key, by dot color and size. A large dark green dot represents the most successful performance. Q5 provides superior performance across the range of GC content.

The five quality features of Q5

1. Highest fidelity DNA amplification available

At ~280X higher than *Taq*, Q5 offers unparalleled fidelity for your most important samples, but with a protocol and pricepoint that makes it accessible for routine amplifications.

The highest fidelity amplification available



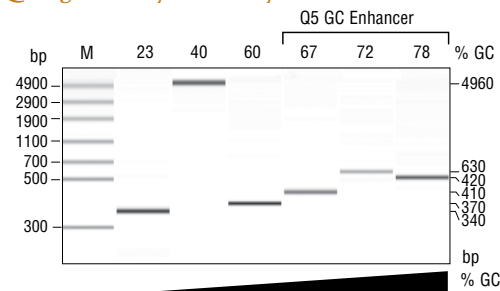
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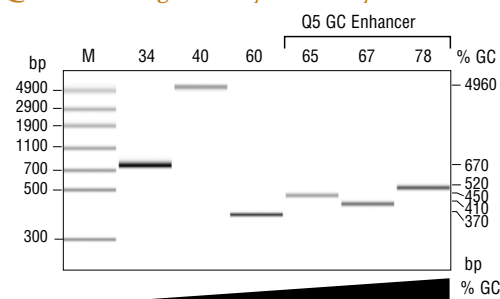
2. Robust amplification with minimal optimization

High specificity and yield are absolute requirements for today's molecular biology techniques. Q5 delivers both for a wide range of templates.

Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase



Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase

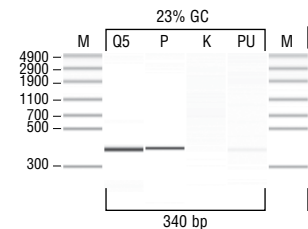


Robust amplification with Q5 and Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity DNA Polymerases, regardless of GC content: Amplification of a variety of human genomic amplicons from low to high GC content using either Q5 or Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase. Reactions using Q5 Hot Start were set up at room temperature. All reactions were conducted using 30 cycles of amplification and visualized by microfluidic LabChip® analysis.

3. Superior coverage

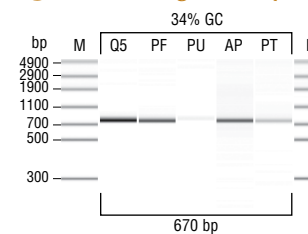
While other DNA polymerases offer superior performance for a

Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase



Q5 = Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase (NEB)
P = Phusion® High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase (NEB)

Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase



Q5 = Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase (NEB)
PF = Phusion Hot Start Flex DNA Polymerase (NEB)

4. Shorter PCR protocols

Achieve precision without sacrifice. The SS domain enables shorter extension times (10 seconds per kb). Additionally, the Q5 Hot Start requires no initial denaturation.

"Q5 DNA Polymerase on the first shot."

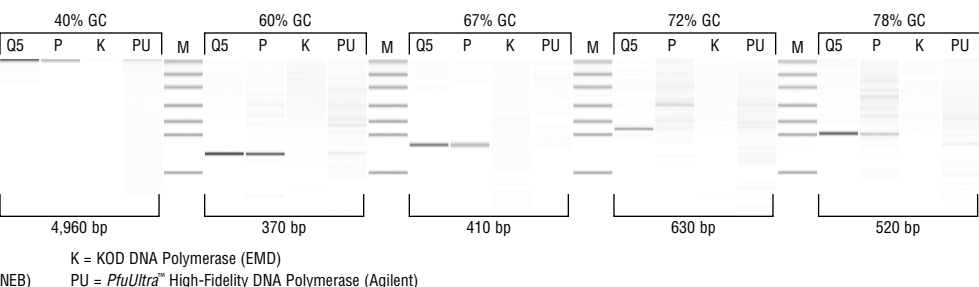
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High Fidelity DNA Polymerase

range for a broad range of amplicons, regardless of GC content

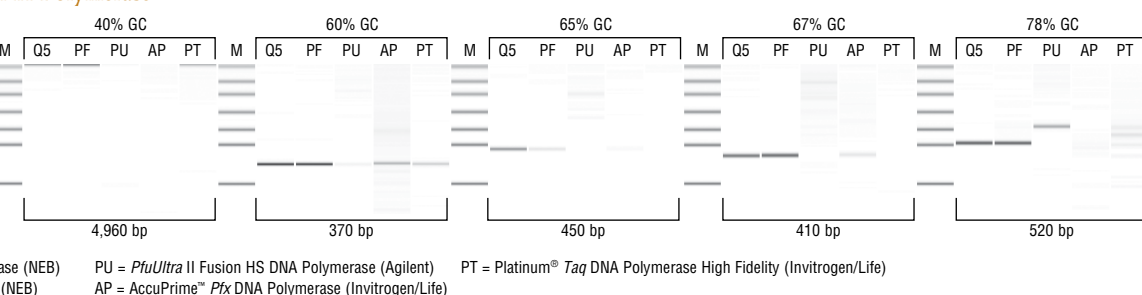
ases can have difficulty amplifying high-GC or high-AT amplicons, Q5 DNA Polymerase displays wide range of templates.

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Amplification of a variety of human genomic amplicons from low to high GC content demonstrates the broad performance of Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase. All reactions were conducted using 20 ng of input template and included 30 cycles of amplification. Results were visualized by microfluidic LabChip[®] analysis. Competitor polymerases were cycled according to manufacturer's recommendations. For the 67%, 72% and 78% GC amplicons, GC Buffers or enhancers were used when supplied with the polymerase.

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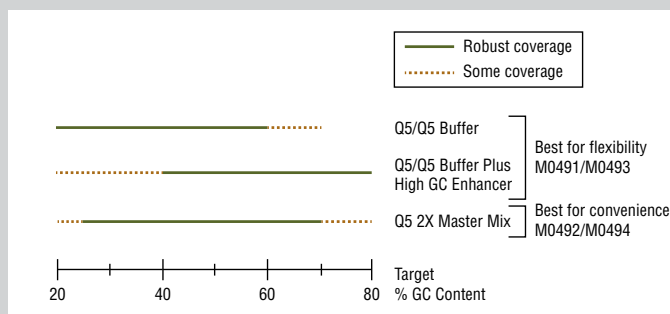
sacrificing speed. Q5's unique 7d processivity-enhancing extension times, as low as 10s. Finally, aptamer-based hot start inhibition step.

gave me wonderful results

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5. Templates up to 20 kb

With Q5, you can reliably amplify simple templates up to 20 kb. Complex templates up to 10 kb can also be amplified with a high degree of confidence.



The stand-alone enzyme comes with a reaction buffer that supports robust amplification of high AT to routine targets. Addition of the High GC Enhancer allows amplification of GC rich and difficult targets. For added convenience, the master mix formats allow robust amplification of a broad range of targets with a single formulation.

For more information, visit Q5PCR.com

Choose from a Selection of Standalone Enzymes, Master Mixes and Kits

For your high-fidelity PCR needs.

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
Q5 High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase	M0491S/L	100/500 units
Q5 High-Fidelity 2X Master Mix	M0492S/L	100/500 reactions
Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase	M0493S/L	100/500 units
Q5 Hot Start High-Fidelity 2X Master Mix	M0494S/L	100/500 reactions
Q5 High-Fidelity PCR Kit	E0555S/L	50/200 reactions
Q5 Site-Directed Mutagenesis Kit (With or Without Competent Cells)	E0554S/E0552S	10 reactions
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