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601  GGGATCCTCT AGTCAGCTGA CGCGTGCTAG CGCGGCCGCA TCGATAAGCT TGTCGACGAT
    CCCTAGGAGA TCAGTCGACT GCGCACGATC GCGCCGGCGT AGCTATTCGA ACAGCTGCTA

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661  ATCTCCAGAG
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**pBI-CMV3 Vector Map and Multiple Cloning Site.**

**Description**

pBI-CMV3 is a mammalian bidirectional expression vector designed to constitutively express a protein of interest and ZsGreen1, a human codon-optimized variant of the reef coral *Zoanthus sp.* green fluorescent protein (ZsGreen) that has been engineered for brighter fluorescence (1, 2). The vector allows straightforward detection of transfected mammalian cells by flow cytometry or fluorescence microscopy, as cells expressing the protein of interest can be quickly identified by screening for ZsGreen1 fluorescence.

Protein expression is driven by one of two constitutively active, minimal human cytomegalovirus promoters:  $P_{minCMV1}$  (located upstream of the multiple cloning site [MCS]), drives the expression of the protein of interest, and  $P_{minCMV2}$  drives the expression of ZsGreen1. To allow propagation and selection in *E. coli*, the vector contains a ColE1 origin of replication and an ampicillin resistance gene ( $Amp^r$ ).

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## Use

pBI-CMV3 is designed to constitutively express a protein of interest and the green fluorescent protein ZsGreen1. The gene of interest must contain an initiation codon and a stop codon.

pBI-CMV3 can be transfected into mammalian cells using any standard transfection method. Cells expressing ZsGreen1 (excitation and emission maxima: 493 and 505, respectively) can be detected by flow cytometry or fluorescence microscopy 8–12 hr after transfection. ZsGreen1 can be detected with standard FITC filter sets.

## Location of features

- Enhancer: 64–473
- $P_{\text{minCMV1}}$  (minimal human cytomegalovirus promoter 1): 474–599
- MCS (multiple cloning site): 602–663
- SV40 polyA signals: 675–862
- ColE1 origin of replication: 1038–1637
- Amp<sup>r</sup> (ampicillin resistance gene): 1799–2659 (complementary)
- SV40 polyA signals: 2795–2982 (complementary)
- ZsGreen1 (human codon optimized): 3017–3712
- $P_{\text{minCMV2}}$  (minimal human cytomegalovirus promoter 2): 3730–3798

## Propagation in *E. coli*

- Recommended host strain: DH5 $\alpha$ <sup>TM</sup> and other general purpose strains.
- Selectable marker: plasmid confers resistance to ampicillin (100  $\mu$ g/ml) in *E. coli* hosts.
- *E. coli* replication origin: ColE1
- Plasmid incompatibility group: pMB1/ColE1

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**Note:** The vector sequence was compiled from information in the sequence databases, published literature, and other sources, together with partial sequences obtained by Clontech. This vector has not been completely sequenced.

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