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Cat. No. IP21386 | **48 Tests**



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Leptospira spp. Detection Kit

Test for the detection of *Leptospira spp.* by one-step PCR

User Manual

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7. NOTICE

- This product was designed to detect more than 100 copies of target gene(or gene segment). When the copy number of target present in the test reaction is less than 100, a false-negative(a negative test result when the attribute for which the subject is being tested actually exists in that subject) may occur. Use this product For Research Use Only.
- Do not use any reagent after the expiration date.
- Do not use together with reagents of other products.
- Follow the instructions.
- Take care in handling of specimen to minimize risk of infection.
- The PCR process is covered by patents issued and applicable in certain countries. iNtRON Biotechnology, Inc. does not encourage or support the unauthorized or unlicensed use of the PCR process. Use of this product is recommended for persons that either have a license to perform PCR or are not required to obtain a license.

8. TROUBLE SHOOTING

- ① In the case of difficult to interpret results due to non-specific bands.
 - ☞ Reduce amount of template by 1/10 dilution and reacts again.
- ② Preparation of PCR reaction at room temperature may cause the non-specific band.
- ③ All procedure should be carried out on ice.

9. ORDERING INFORMATION

Product	Catalog No.
Leptospira spp. Detection Kit	IP21386
Viral Gene-spin™ Viral DNA/RNA Extraction kit	17151
SiZer™ 100 DNA Marker	24073

1. DESCRIPTION

Leptospirosis is a bacterial disease caused by pathogenic members of the Genus *Leptospira*. The disease occurs worldwide in numerous animal hosts, including the dog.

The canine disease presents as an acute infection of the kidney and liver and, sometimes, as a septicemia. Chronic kidney disease is a common sequel of infection and abortions may occur in pregnant dams. Because many aspects of the infection are poorly understood, there is the possibility that the disease in dogs may go undiagnosed.

Leptospira do not multiply outside of the host and their survival depends on environmental conditions in which *leptospirae* are found, e.g., soil and water conditions. *Leptospira* are highly susceptible to drying and to pH changes - pH<6 and pH>8 are inhibitory; temperatures < 7~ 10 °C and temperatures > 34~36 °C are detrimental.

Leptospira organisms survive up to 180 days in wet soil, for many months in surface water and they survive better in stagnant than in free-flowing water. The source of infection to animals is either by direct contact with infected urine, fetal and placental material or fluids, uterine discharges, or indirect contact from a contaminated environment

VeTeK™ LEPTO Detection Kit is direct detection of *Leptospira spp.* on the basis of a genetic database, so it can diagnose very fast and accurately. It can amplify only specific gene using the PCR (Polymerase Chain Reaction) method, and take only 2~3 hours for detection. Therefore, it is a very fast accurate, reliable technique.

2. STORAGE

The components of **Leptospira spp. Detection Kit** should be stored at -20 °C, under this condition, the kit is stable until expiration date stated on the label.

3. CONTENTS

Leptospira spp. PCR Pre-mixture	48 tubes
DNase/RNase-free water (white cap)	1 vial
LEPTO positive control (Yellow cap)	2 vial

Component in 20 μl reaction

i-StarTaq™ DNA Polymerase
dNTPs
PCR Reaction buffer
Chemical stabilizer
Gel loading buffer
8-MOP (dissolved in DMSO)
Primers for *Leptospira*

4. SPECIMEN

Performs the test with urine, urogenital swab, feces or bacterial culture. The specimen should be stored at -20 °C prior to use.

5. ADDITIONAL REQUIRED MATERIALS

- Disposable gloves
- DNA extraction kit (see 6.1 DNA preparation method)
- Pipettes
- Sterile pipette tip
- Vortex mixer
- Centrifuge for microcentrifuge tubes
- Thermal cycler
- Electrophoresis kit
- UV transilluminator

6. PROCEDURE

Please read through the entire procedure before starting.

6.1 DNA Preparation

Various manufacturers offer DNA isolation kits. Please carry out the DNA isolation according to the manufacturer's instructions. The following standard extraction kit is recommended.

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6.2 Amplification

- ① Prepare appropriate PCR premix tubes and label. And one PCR premix tube for positive control.
- ② Add 2 μl of template DNA into the PCR premix tube.
- ③ Add 18 μl of DNase/RNase-free water into the PCR premix tube to total volume as 20 μl.
- ④ Add 2 μl of positive control and 18 μl of RNase-free water into a PCR premix tube for monitoring of amplification and easy interpretation.
- ⑤ Dissolve the blue pellet by pipetting.
Note :The pellet is easily dissolved, by letting the mixture stand at R.T. for 1-2minutes after adding water.
- ⑥ (Optional) Add mineral oil. This step is unnecessary when using a thermal cycler that employs a top heating method (general methods).
- ⑦ Perform PCR reaction of samples as the below process using PCR machine.

PCR cycle		Temp.	Time
1 Cycle	Initial Denaturation	94 °C	5 min.
	Denaturation	94 °C	30 sec.
40 Cycles	Annealing	55 °C	30 sec.
	Extension	72 °C	40 sec.
1 Cycle	Final extension	72 °C	5 min.

6.3 Detection of Amplified Products

- ① Prepare 1.5% agarose gel containing RedSafe™ Nucleic Acid Staining Solution. (Cat. No. 21141)
- ② Load 7 μl of PCR product and positive control on agarose gel without adding a loading-dye buffer and perform electrophoresis.
- ③ Run electrophoresis by 100V (required about 30~40 minutes).
- ④ Identify the result on ultra-violet (UV) transilluminator.

6.4 Interpretation

- Expected PCR product size : 362 bp

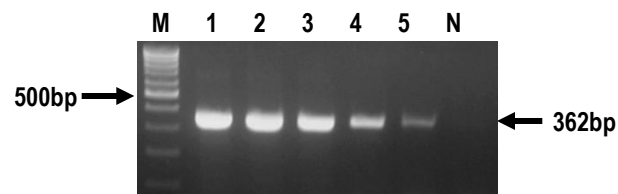


Fig 1. Electrophoresis of PCR product by **Leptospira spp. Detection Kit**
 Lane M : 100bp Molecular ladder (iNtRON Biotechnology)
 Lane 1~5 : *Leptospira* positive sample
 Lane N : Negative control

6.5 Elimination of carry-over contamination

- Each PCR/RT-PCR Pre-mixture contains 8-methoxypsoralen (8-MOP) for preventing of carry-over contamination.
- All PCR products should be discarded after UV irradiation (10 min/365nm) for preventing from carry-over contamination.