

# pVectOZ-CAT (Chloramphenicol Acetyltransferase Expression Vector)

### Description

The pVectOZ-CAT vector has been created to produce the highest levels of Chloramphenicol Acetyltransferase expression in a broad range of mammalian cells and tissues. It contains a proprietary modified human cytomegalovirus (CMV) promoter followed by a specific intron, enhancer and a terminator. The expression vector is engineered in an optimized plasmid backbone to achieve the highest levels of transgene expression in mammalian cells and high copy number production in *Escherichia coli*.

## Kit contents

### Ref. #PL00010

25 µg pVectOZ-CAT (encoding for Chloramphenicol Acetyltransferase) plasmid in 25 µl sterile TE buffer.

Storage

Store at -20°C.

# Selection Marker

**Kanamycin** is the selection gene included for producing the plasmid in *Escherichia coli*.

#### Applications

pCMV-CAT (Chloramphenicol Acetyltransferase) vector is suitable for all transfection applications (*in vitro* & *in vivo*).

Presentation. The transgene expression level depends mainly on the promoter, enhancer, terminator and plasmid backbone. The pVectOZ-CAT expression cassette was designed to express very high levels of transgene product in many mammalian cells and tissues. This vector has been modified to eliminate sequences affecting transgene expression levels while optimizing those critical for high levels of expression. The final expression cassette accommodates high levels of transgene expression in mammalian cells as well as high yield of plasmid production in *Escherichia coli*. The resulting plasmid is the ideal vector to reach high levels of expression *in vitro* and *in vivo*.

Use. For high levels of transgene expression in mammalian cells and tissues. For optimal results, this vector can be used with all OZ Biosciences transfection

reagents to transfect a wide variety of mammalian cells and tissues.

## CAT detection

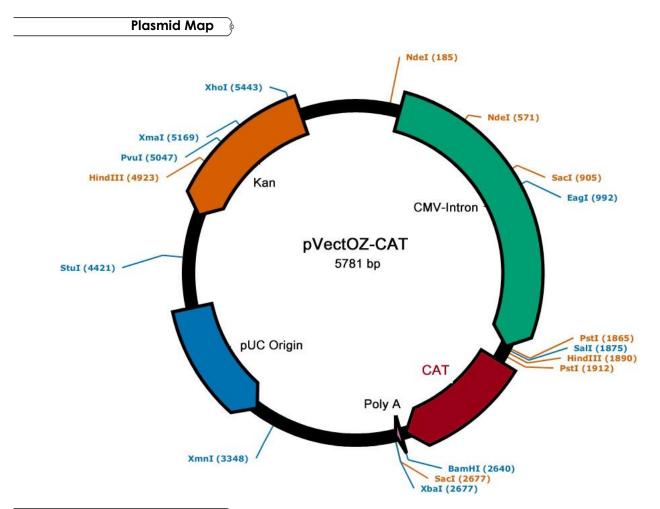
For transfections performed with pVectOZ-CAT plasmids, the detection can be realized by using standard Chloramphenicol Acetyltransferase assay kits. Chloramphenicol acetyltransferase (CAT), encoded by a bacterial drug-resistance gene, is not found in eukaryotes, and therefore eukaryotic cells contain no background of CAT activity. The CAT kit generally offers several methods for monitoring CAT enzyme activity in transfected cells: liquid scintillation counting, thin layer chromatography, fluorimetric or immuno-assay.

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