

TransIT®-BrCa Transfection Reagent

Quick Reference Protocol

Instructions for MIR 5500, 5504, 5505, 5506, 5510

Full protocol, SDS and Certificate of Analysis available at mirusbio.com/5500



SPECIFICATIONS

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| Storage | Store TransIT®-BrCa Transfection Reagent tightly capped at -20°C. Before each use , warm to room temperature and vortex gently. |
| Product Guarantee | 1 year from the date of purchase, when properly stored and handled. |

► PLASMID DNA TRANSFECTION PROTOCOL



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Fill in volumes below based on culture vessel used for transfection (Table 1).

A. Plate cells

1. Plate cells in ___ml complete growth medium (per well).
2. Culture overnight. Most cell types should be 60-80% confluent on day of transfection.
For MCF-7 cells: The recommended cell density at transfection is 40-60%.

B. Prepare TransIT®-BrCa Reagent:DNA complexes

1. Warm TransIT®-BrCa Reagent to room temperature and vortex gently.
2. Place ___µl of OptiMEM® I Reduced-Serum Medium in a sterile tube.
3. Add ___µl plasmid DNA. Mix gently by pipetting.
4. Add ___µl of TransIT®-BrCa Reagent. Mix gently by pipetting.
5. Incubate at room temperature for 15-30 minutes.

C. Distribute complexes to cells

1. Add TransIT®-BrCa:DNA complex mixture drop-wise to different areas of the well.
2. Gently rock plate for even distribution of complexes.
3. Incubate 24-72 hours.
4. Harvest cells and assay as required.

Table 1. Recommended starting conditions

| Culture vessel | 24-well plate | 12-well plate | 6-well plate |
|------------------------|---------------------|---------------------|---------------------|
| Surface area | 1.9 cm ² | 3.8 cm ² | 9.6 cm ² |
| Complete growth medium | 0.5 ml | 1 ml | 2.5 ml |
| Serum-free medium | 50 µl | 100 µl | 250 µl |
| DNA (1 µg/µl stock) | 0.5 µl | 1 µl | 2.5 µl |
| TransIT®-BrCa Reagent | 1 µl | 2 µl | 5 µl |

► Transfection Optimization

Determine the best TransIT®-BrCa Reagent:DNA ratio for each cell type. Start with 2 µl of TransIT®-BrCa Reagent per 1 µg of DNA. Vary the concentration of TransIT®-BrCa Reagent from 1.5-4 µl per 1 µg DNA to find the optimal ratio.

For additional optimization tips, see [full protocol](#). Cell-type-specific recommendations available on [Reagent Agent \(mirusbio.com/ra\)](#).



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