

Brilliant III Ultra-Fast ORT-PCR Master Mix

Quick Reference Guide for the ABI 7900HT Fast Real-Time PCR System

This quick reference guide provides an optimized protocol for using the Stratagene Brilliant III Ultra-Fast QRT-PCR Master Mix with the 7900HT Fast Real-Time PCR System from Applied Biosystems. For detailed instructions, refer to the full product manual.

Prepare the Reactions

- 1 Dilute the reference dye 1:50 using nuclease-free PCR-grade water.
- **2** Prepare the experimental reactions by combining the components of the reagent mixture in the order listed in the table below. Prepare a single reagent mixture for replicate reactions (plus *at least* one reaction volume excess) using multiples of each component. *Keep reagent mixture on ice*.

Reagent Mixture	
uclease-free PCR-grade water to bring final volume to 20 μ l (including RNA	
μl of 2× QRT-PCR Master Mix	
ul of experimental probe at optimized concentration (100–600 nM)	
ul of upstream primer at optimized concentration (200–600 nM)	
ul of downstream primer at optimized concentration (200–600 nM)	
3 μl of diluted reference dye	
2 μl of 100 mM DTT	
μl of RT/RNase Block	

- **3** Gently mix the reagent mixture without creating bubbles, then distribute the mixture to the experimental reaction tubes. *Keep the reactions on ice*.
- 4 Add x μ l of experimental RNA to each reaction to bring the final reaction volume to 20 μ l. The table below lists a suggested quantity range for different RNA templates.

RNA	Quantity per reaction
Total RNA	0.1 pg – 100 ng
mRNA	0.1 pg – 1 ng

5 Mix the reactions without creating bubbles, then centrifuge briefly.



Set Up the QPCR Plate and Thermal Profile

- 1 From the SDS software, click **File > New** to open the Plate Document Wizard.
- **2** Enter the appropriate assay and well information for a new experiment.
- **3** Click **OK**. The Wizard will close and the plate document will appear in the main software window.
- **4** Click **Add Detector**, and select the correct reporter for the assay. Click **Copy to Plate Document**, then click **Done**.
- **5** Highlight the wells that will contain samples and check the selected reporter dye.
- **6** On the Instrument/Thermal Profile tab, enter a sample volume of 20 μl and select the *Fast* run mode. Adjust the thermal cycling conditions according to the image below, and set the instrument to report fluorescence during the 60°C step of each cycle.



Run the PCR

1 Place the reactions in the 7900HT instrument.

Program

2 On the Instrument/Real Time tab, click Start Run.

Analyze Data

1 Analyze the results of the run as needed for your experiment.

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