

Agrobacterium LBA4404 Competent Cells

Cat: C1120

Size: $10 \times 100 \mu L/20 \times 100 \mu L$

Storage: Store at -70°C to avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

Product parameters:

English name: LBA4404 Chemically Competent Cells

Genotype: Ach5 (rif ^R) Ti pAL4404 (Str^R) Octopine

Introduction:

Strain LBA4404 is Ach5 type background, the nuclear gene contains the screening tag --rifampicin resistance gene Rif, in order to facilitate the transformation operation, this strain carries the octadine type Ti plasmid pAL4404 without its own transport function, this plasmid contains the vir gene(vir gene is the necessary element for T-DNA insertion into the plant genome, The T-DNA transfer function of the pAL4404 plasmid is damaged, but it can help the transferred binary vector T-DNA transfer smoothly). Ti plasmid pAL4404 contains the screening label Strep, which endow strain LBA4404 with streptomycin resistance. It is suitable for the transgenic operation of tomato, tobacco and other plants. The conversion efficiency can reach 10³ cfu/µg by plant double pCAMBIA2301 plasmid detection, and the conversion efficiency does not change after storage at -70°C for 12 months.

Protocols: (freezing and thawing method was adopted)

- 1. Melt agrobacterium LBA4404 competent cells stored at -70°C in ice bath;
- 2. Under aseptic conditions, add 100ng-1µg plasmid DNA to the competent cells (for the first time, it is best to do a pre-experiment to determine the optimal amount of plasmid added), gently mixed, and left for 5 minutes in an ice water bath;
- 3. The centrifuge tube was quickly frozen in liquid nitrogen for 5min; (**Note:** dry ice and anhydrous ethanol mixture can be used instead of liquid nitrogen)
- 4. Then quickly place the centrifuge tube in a 37°C water bath for 5min without shaking the water surface;
- 5. Put the centrifuge tube back into the ice water bath for 5min;
- 6. Under sterile conditions, add 800μL liquid medium of 2×YT, SOB, SOC or LB without antibiotics and culture at 28°C for 2-3h, and the bacteria recovered.
- 7. Centrifuge at 6000rpm for 1min to collect bacteria, leave about 100µL supernatant, gently blow the suspensory bacteria, take appropriate amount of bacteria solution, smear on the LB plate of corresponding antibiotics, and invert culture in the incubator at 28°C for 48-72h.

(When the plate only contains $50\mu g/mL$ Kan, it can be cultured at $28^{\circ}C$ for 48h; When the plate contained $50\mu g/mL$ Kan and $20\mu g/mL$ Rif, it needed to be cultured at $28^{\circ}C$ for 60h; If the plate contains $50\mu g/mL$ Rif, it needs to be cultured at $28^{\circ}C$ for 72-90h).



Notes:

- 1. The volume when adding the plasmid should not be greater than 1/10 of the volume of the competent state; The conversion efficiency decreased sharply due to the impurity of the plasmid or the presence of organic matter pollution such as ethanol; When the plasmid is doubled, the conversion efficiency decreases by an order of magnitude.
- 2. The plasmids should be mixed gently. Converting a high concentration of plasmids can correspondingly reduce the amount of bacteria that will eventually be used to coat the plate.
- 3. When the density of positive clones on the plate is too high, the growth of positive clones will slow down and the colonies will become smaller due to insufficient nutrition. In order to obtain large colonies, the amount of plasmids should be reduced.
- 4. Rifampicin concentration should not be higher than 25μg/mL, too high rifampicin concentration is not conducive to the growth of agrobacterium, will reduce its growth rate and conversion efficiency.
- 5. The purpose of adding rifampicin to the medium is to prevent the growth of miscellaneous bacteria and screen agrobacterium; Adding Ti plasmid to screen antibiotics according to the resistance of the strains used can prevent the loss of Ti plasmid, but Ti plasmid screening of antibiotics is not conducive to the transgenic operation of Agrobacterium, so these antibiotics are generally not considered when cultivating Agrobacterium, and the probability of Ti plasmid loss is extremely low(negligible).
- 6. If the biochemical reagents produced by our company are not specially marked, they are basically non-aseptic packaging. If used in cell experiments, please pre-treat them in advance.
- 7. Once it is prepared into a solution, please pack it separately and store it to avoid product failure caused by repeated freezing and thawing.
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