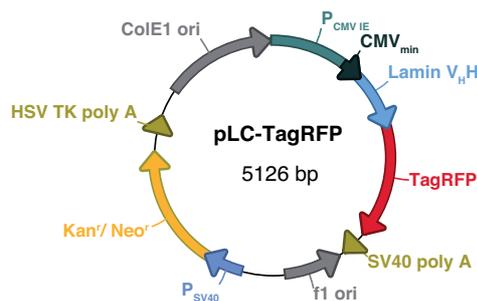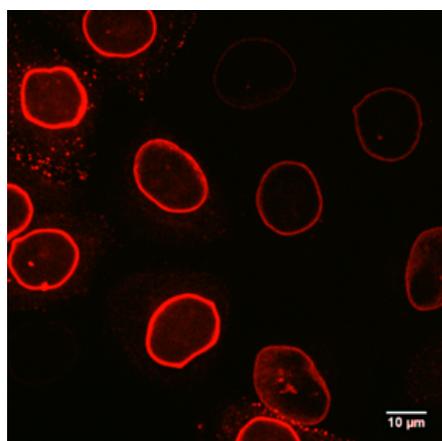# Lamin Chromobody®-TagRFP plasmid

The vector sequence has been compiled using the information from sequence databases, published literature, and other sources, together with partial sequences obtained by ChromoTek. This vector has not been completely sequenced.

For vector sequence, please visit our website at http://www.chromotek.com/pLC-TagRFP.html

Location of features

PCMV IE: 1-589

Enhancer region: 59-465

TATA box: 554-560

Transcription start point: 583

Lamin-VHH: 621-1004

TagRFP: 1080-1793

Stop codon: 1791-1793

SV40 early mRNA polyadenylation signal

Polyadenylation signals: 1919-1924 & 1948-1953

mRNA 3' ends: 1957 & 1969

f1 single-strand DNA origin: 2016-2471

SV40 origin of replication: 2812-2947

SV40 early promoter Enhancer (72-bp tandem repeats): 2648-2719 & 2720-2791

21-bp repeats: 2795-2815, 2816-2836 & 2838-2858

Early promoter element: 2871-2877

Kanamycin/neomycin resistance gene

Neomycin phosphotransferase coding sequences: Start codon (ATG): 2999-3001; Stop codon: 3791-3793

Herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signal

Polyadenylation signals: 4029-4034 & 4042-4047

ColE1 replication origin: 4325-5007

Product	Code	Size
pLC-TagRFP	lcr	20 µg

Vector type	mammalian expression vector
Reporter	TagRFP
Reporter codon usage	mammalian
Promoter for Chromobody®	PCMV IE
Host cells	mammalian
Selection	prokaryotic – kanamycin
	eukaryotic - neomycin (G418)
Replication	prokaryotic - pUC ori
	eukaryotic - SV40 ori
Use	Lamin Chromobody®-TagRFP expression in mammalian cells for non-invasive live cell visualization of endogenous nuclear lamina.

Vector description

Lamin Chromobody®-TagRFP plasmid (pLC-TagRFP) is a mammalian expression vector encoding the marker of the nuclear envelope Lamin-VHH fused to red fluorescent protein TagRFP (from Evrogen). The vector allows expression Lamin Chromobody®-TagRFP fusion protein in eukaryotic (mammalian) cells.

Chromobody® codon usage is optimized for high expression in mammalian cells (humanized) [Haas et al. 1996].

The vector backbone contains immediate early promoter of cytomegalovirus (PCMV IE) for protein expression, SV40 origin for replication in mammalian cells expressing SV40 T-antigen, ColE1 origin of replication for propagation in *E. coli* and f1 origin for single-stranded DNA production. SV40 polyadenylation signals (SV40 poly A) direct proper processing of the 3'-end of the reporter mRNA.

SV40 early promoter (PSV40) provides neomycin resistance gene (Neo^r) expression to select stably transfected eukaryotic cells using G418. Bacterial promoter (P) provides kanamycin resistance gene expression (Kan^r) in *E. coli*. Kan^r/Neo^r gene is linked with herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signals.

Expression in mammalian cells

pLC-TagRFP vector can be transfected into mammalian cells by any known transfection method. If required, stable transformants can be selected using G418 [Gorman 1985].

Propagation in *E. coli*

Suitable host strains for propagation in *E. coli* include DH5alpha, HB101, XL1-Blue, and other general purpose strains. Plasmid incompatibility group is pMB1/ColE1. The vector confers resistance to kanamycin (30 µg/ml) to *E. coli* hosts. Copy number in *E. coli* is about 500.

Note: The plasmid DNA was isolated from dam$^+$-methylated *E.coli*. Therefore some restriction sites are blocked by methylation. If you wish to digest the vector using such sites you will need to transform the vector into a dam$^-$ host and make fresh DNA.