Residual host cell DNA (HCD) that carries over during the process of manufacturing therapeutic proteins and vaccines poses safety concerns and must not exceed levels established by regulatory agencies such as the U.S. Food and Drug Administration and the World Health Organization. Bio-Rad’s ddPCR Residual DNA Quantification Kits are ideal for highly precise quantification of HCD in complex bioprocess intermediates. The kits contain an optimized ddPCR CHO or E. coli Residual Quantification Assay and ddPCR Supermix for Residual DNA Quantification. Both assay and supermix are guaranteed free of contaminating DNA.

The Residual DNA Quantification Kits are optimized to enable

- Highly precise, femtogram-level quantification of residual CHO or E. coli DNA
- Direct quantification without DNA purification steps
- Compatible with Bio-Rad’s QX100™, QX200™, or QX200™ AutoDG™ Droplet Digital PCR Systems

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Direct Sample Input: Eliminate DNA Extraction Prior to Residual Host Cell DNA Quantification

Many biopharmaceutical products (biologics, vaccines, etc.) are produced in mammalian or bacterial host cells. DNA levels and matrix conditions vary during the purification process, making residual host cell DNA extraction difficult. Inhibitory substances may also be present, making quantification by qPCR difficult and inaccurate. ddPCR eliminates the need for DNA extraction, as partitioning in ddPCR minimizes the effect of inhibitory substances on the PCR reaction, enabling accurate quantification from complex bioprocess intermediates using direct sample input. Proteinase K and DTT can also be used prior to ddPCR to enable direct input of samples containing up to 5 mg/ml of protein (Figure 1).

**Sensitive and Precise HCD Quantification**

ddPCR CHO and *E. coli* Residual DNA Quantification Kits enable highly sensitive and precise detection and quantification of host cell DNA without a standard curve. The ddPCR CHO Residual DNA Quantification Kit can reliably detect as little as 1 fg of DNA with a limited quantification (LOQ) of ≤15 fg per 20 μl reaction and a linear range of 3 fg–3 pg. The ddPCR *E. coli* Residual DNA Quantification Kit can reliably detect as little as 15 fg of DNA with an LOQ of ≤30 fg per 20 μl reaction and a linear range of 30 fg–3 pg (Figure 2).

**Free of CHO and *E. coli* Contaminating DNA**

The ddPCR CHO and *E. coli* Residual DNA Quantification Assays and ddPCR Residual DNA Quantification Supermixes are guaranteed to be free of contaminating CHO and *E. coli* DNA.

**Consistent Performance Even with Highly Fragmented DNA**

The ddPCR CHO and *E. coli* Residual DNA Quantification Assays yield accurate quantification of results, regardless of the size of the DNA molecules. There is less than 20% variation in concentration calls with intact or fragmented DNA.

**Ordering Information**

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