

## Endonuclease IV (Nfo)

<b>Catalog #</b>	3422	3425
<b>Package Size</b>	1000	5000
<b>Concentration</b>	10 units/ $\mu$ l	

### Description

Endonuclease IV (Nfo) from *Escherichia coli* is a 32-kD metalloprotein that aids in the repair of damaged DNA. The enzyme functions both as an apurinic/aprimidinic nuclease (1) and as a 3'-terminal di-esterase (1-4). Its 3'-terminal di-esterase activity is important in the repair of DNA strand breaks generated by oxidation and ionic radiation (2, 3). In such events, the strand breaks terminate with either a 3' phosphate or a deoxyribose fragment, preventing repair by DNA polymerase I or DNA ligase. Endonuclease IV removes the blocking groups, leaving a free 3'-hydroxyl terminus. This enzyme does not have detectable associated exonuclease or DNA N-glycosylase activity (1).

### Applications

- Single cell gel electrophoresis (Comet assay) (5, 6)
- Alkaline elution (7)
- Alkaline unwinding (8)

### Protein purity

The physical purity of this enzyme is  $\geq 99\%$  as assessed by SDS-PAGE with Coomassie® blue staining (see figure below).

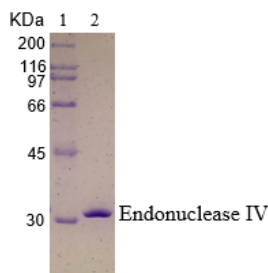


Fig: Lane 1. Protein marker and lane 2. Endonuclease IV.

### Product Source

*E. coli* BL21 (DE3) strain expressing *E. coli* Endonuclease IV gene.

### Product Includes

- Endonuclease IV (Nfo)
- 10x Endonuclease IV reaction buffer

### 1x Endonuclease IV reaction buffer

50 mM Tris-HCl  
10 mM MgCl<sub>2</sub>  
1 mM DTT  
100 mM KCl  
(pH 7.9 @ 25°C)

### Storage Buffer

50 mM Tris-HCl, 50 mM KCl, 1 mM DTT, 0.1 mM EDTA, 50% Glycerol, pH 7.5 @ 25°C

### Storage Temperature

-20°C

### Heat inactivation

85°C for 20 min

### Unit Definition

One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme required to cleave 1 pmol of a 50-mer oligonucleotide duplex containing a single AP site in a total reaction volume of 10  $\mu$ l in 1 hour at 37°C.

### Quality Control assays

Endonuclease IV is free from detectable contaminating nuclease activities.

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