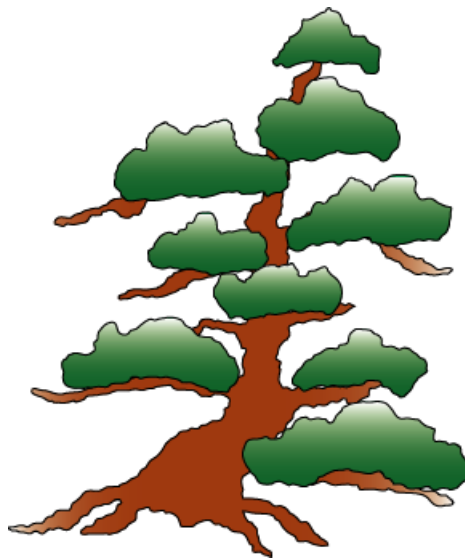


***Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* Detection Kit**

Instruction Manual

Version 2.0



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[Read the following instructions before the test]

Before use the kit, please confirm the following.

Notices for use

- This kit is the product to detect *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus*. This kit must not be used for clinical diagnosis, therapeutic purpose and the test other than *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* detection.
- Use the kit according to this instruction manual. Nippon Gene Co., Ltd. has no responsibility for any trouble caused by the different use and the different purpose from instructions.
- The unopened kit is stable at -20°C for 6 months. It should be kept in dark. Avoid repeated freezing and thawing.
- Forestry and Forest Products Research Institute is applying for a patent of *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* detection using LAMP method. Nippon Gene Co., Ltd. has been granted the license to detect for *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* using LAMP method.

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) about safe use of this product. Please inquire through the inquiry form you can find in the URL.

- This kit is not food. Do not put the reagents into an eye or a mouth. During test, wear a lab coat or gloves and protect the body.

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1. About the kit

[Product overview]

This kit is the product to detect *Bursaphlenchus xylophilus* by isothermal amplification reaction using LAMP (Loop-mediated Isothermal Amplification) method. This product can test whether *Bursaphlenchus xylophilus* exists in pine wood chips. In this kit, a part of *Bursaphlenchus xylophilus* DNA is amplified using LAMP method, and *Bursaphlenchus xylophilus* infection is judged by the existence of amplification. This kit is effective for the highly-sensitive detection of pine wilt disease.

[About LAMP method]

LAMP (Loop-mediated isothermal amplification) method allows the whole reaction process, including denaturing, proceeds at a constant temperature in an incubator. Thermal cycling machine is not needed for this kit.

Look at the homepage of Eiken Chemical Co., Ltd. about the detailed principle of LAMP method.

Eiken GENOME SITE; <https://loopamp.eiken.co.jp/en/>

2. Reagents provided with the kit

[Kit components (for 24 or 96 tests)]

Form	Reagent	Contents		Storage temperature
		24 tests	96 tests	
Booklet	Instruction Manual	1 sheet	1 sheet	Room temperature
Red label	Bx Detection Solution	410 µl	4x 410 µl	-20°C
Yellow label	Bx Enzyme Solution	20 µl	4x 20 µl	-20°C
Purple label	Fluorescent Detection Solution	20 µl	4x 20 µl	-20°C
Gray label	Bx Positive Control	25 µl	4x 25 µl	-20°C
Blue label	Mineral Oil	500 µl	4x 500 µl	-20°C
Bottle	Bx Extraction Solution	2x 10 ml	8x 10 ml	-20°C
Bag	Extraction Tube	24 tubes	100 tubes	Room temperature
Bag	Test Tube	24 tubes	4x 24 tubes	Room temperature

Notes

- # Store all reagents other than **Instruction Manual** and **Extraction Tube**, **Test Tube** at -20°C. Avoid storage in extremely cold environments, and avoid repeated freezing and thawing.
- # This kit can be used for 6 months after purchase.
- # **Enzyme Solution** must be handled with great care. Do not leave it at room temperatures or 4°C for a long period of time, or the enzyme may lose activity.
- # **Bx Positive Control** is the DNA that contains a fragment of *Bursaphlenchus xylophilus* genomic DNA.
- # When waterdrop is attached to the **Test Tube**, dry a bag well before opening.

Positive Control

Always run positive control with the sample. To prepare Positive Control Solution, add the provided **Bx Positive Control** (Gray label) instead of the sample.

Negative Control

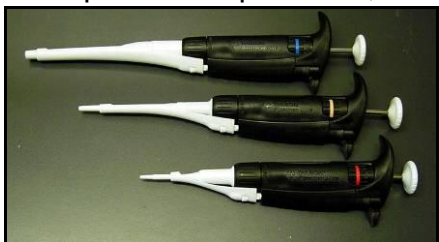
Always run negative control with the sample. To prepare Negative Control Solution, add nothing instead of the sample.

3. Equipments and reagents not provided with the kit

15 mm drill



Micropipette
(0.5-10 μ l, 10-100 μ l, 200-1,000 μ l)



Filtered pipette tip (sterilized)



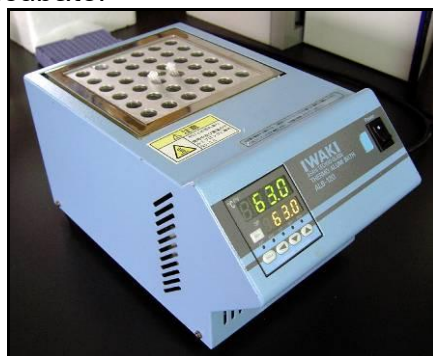
Microtube for preparation of Test Solution
(1.5 ml or 2.0 ml)



Disposable glove



Incubator

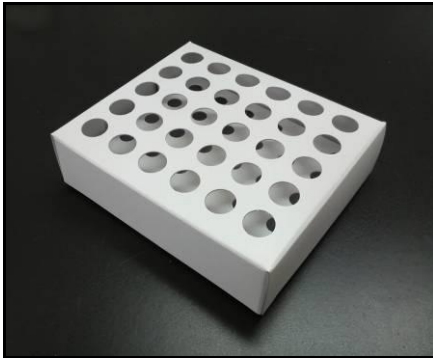


Tweezers

Crushed ice

Plastic bag

Microtube rack



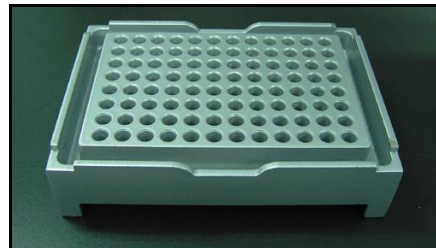
Centrifuge for test tube



Vortex mixer



Plate rack



UV transilluminator

Outputs the wavelength of 254-260 or 350-370 nm



Centrifuge for microtube



UV goggles or face shield

4. Instructions

[Simple protocol]



Simple protocol

1. Collect pine wood chips with 15 mm drill



2. Two chips are put in 800 μ l of Bx Extraction Solution



Bx Extraction Solution

3. Keep warm for 20 minutes by 55°C
4. Heat with 94-100°C for 10 minutes (DNA Sample)
5. Prepare Test Solution

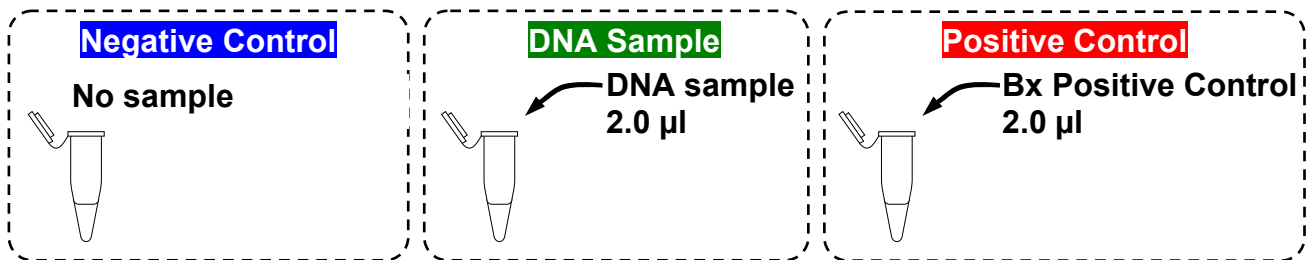
Reagent	1 test	8 test	24 test
Bx Detection Solution	16.4 μ l	131.2 μ l	393.6 μ l
Fluorescent Detection Solution	0.8 μ l	6.4 μ l	19.2 μ l
Bx Enzyme Solution	0.8 μ l	6.4 μ l	19.2 μ l
Total	18.0 μ l	144.0 μ l	432.0 μ l

Simple protocol



5. Divide Test Solution into each Test Tube (18.0 µl per tube)

6. DNA sample prepared in process 4 is added 2.0 µl each Test Tube



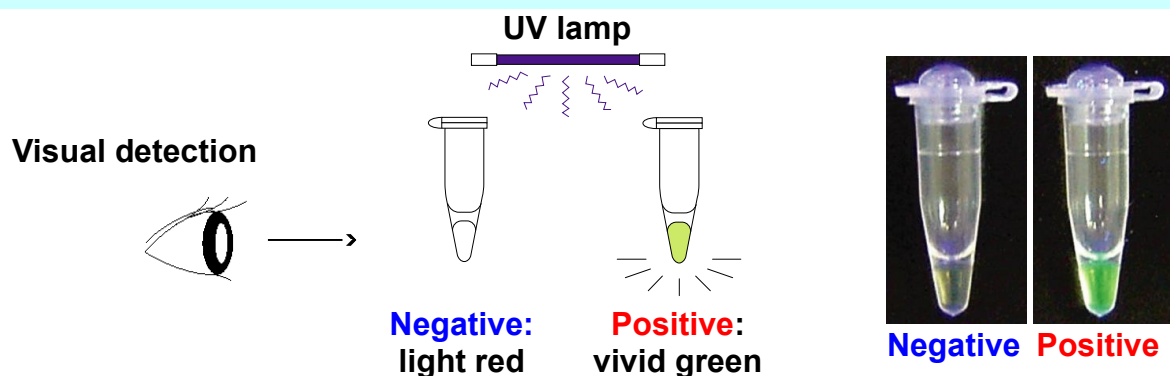
7. Add Mineral Oil

6. 63°C, 60 minutes (DNA amplification)

- * Basically, incubation is set to 60 minutes.
But, when using the pine wood chips have remarkably low density of the nematode, the detection rate sometimes rises by extending it until 90 minutes.

7. 80°C, 2 minutes (Enzyme inactivation)

8. Judge the result



***Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* detection**

DNA sample preparation

Collection of pine wood chips



Pine wood chips are collected from a pine tree using a 15 mm drill. You should extract a pine wood chips from more than one points every height of the tree to check it more correctly.

DNA extraction



Thaw **Bx Extraction Solution** at room temperature. The bottle is mixed by inversion.

800 µl **Bx Extraction Solution** is added to **Bx Extraction Tube**. Next 2 chips are put in **Bx Extraction Solution**.

After keeping a tube for 20 minutes by 55°C, it's kept warm for 10 minutes by 94-100°C, and the obtained solution is called a DNA sample.



Important

When more than 3 pine wood chips are used, the efficiency falls in extraction and after test.

Test reaction

Thawing of the reagents



Thaw the following reagents at room temperature.

Bx Detection Solution
Bx Positive Control
Mineral Oil

Bx Enzyme Solution and **Fluorescent Detection Solution** do not freeze at -20°C.

Mix and spin down



Gently tap the tubes several times (This operation is called tapping.), or vibrate the tubes 3 times for approximately 1 second on a vortex mixer. After the mixture becomes homogenous, centrifuge the tubes to collect the solution at the bottom of the tubes (this operation is called spin down).

The reagents, **Bx Enzyme Solution** and **Fluorescent Detection Solution**, are placed on ice.

Preparation of Test Solution



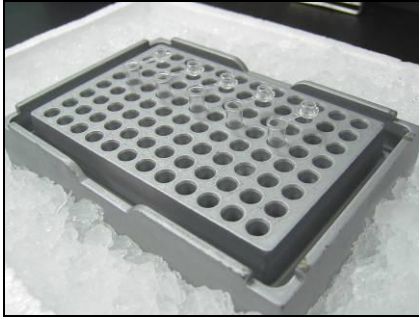
To make Test Solution, add **Bx Detection Solution**, **Fluorescent Detection Solution**, and **Bx Enzyme Solution** to a sterilized microtube (1.5 ml or 2.0 ml). Mix the reagents by tapping or vibrating 3 times for approximately 1 second on a vortex mixer, and spin down the tube. It places on ice.

Refer also to the following table.

[Table of volume]

Reagent	1 test	8 tests
Bx Detection Solution	16.4 µl	131.2 µl
Fluorescent Detection Solution	0.8 µl	6.4 µl
Bx Enzyme Solution	0.8 µl	6.4 µl
Total	18.0 µl	144.0 µl

Distribution of Test Solution



Pick a tube out with clean tweezers, etc. from a bag. Divide 18.0 μl of Test Solution into each **Test Tube**.

DNA sample addition

2.0 μl DNA sample will be added to **Test Tube**. Then 20 μl of **Mineral Oil** is added to prevent evaporation of a reagent.

Important

When add DNA sample and **Mineral Oil**, be sure to operate with the following order.

1: Negative Control Sample

2: DNA sample

3: Positive Control Sample

Close a cap immediately after sample addition.

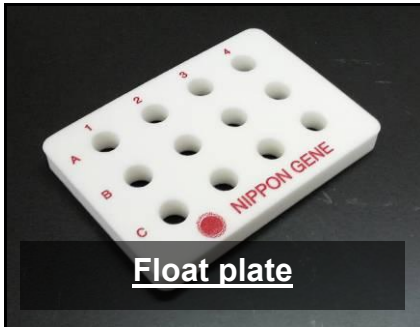
Further, add only **Mineral Oil** to a Negative Control sample and use 2.0 μl **Bx Positive Control** for a positive control sample.

Incubation



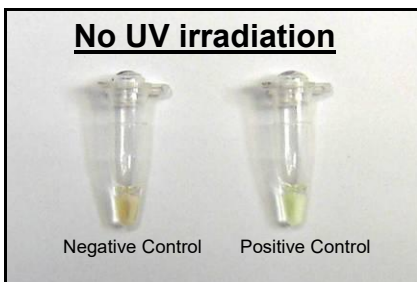
Close Test Tube and mix the reagents by tapping or vibrating on a vortex mixer at about 1 second x 3 times, and spin down the tube.

Incubate Test Tube at 63°C for 60 minutes in the incubator (Air incubator, heating block, or water bath).



Judgment

Judgment of success or failure of the test

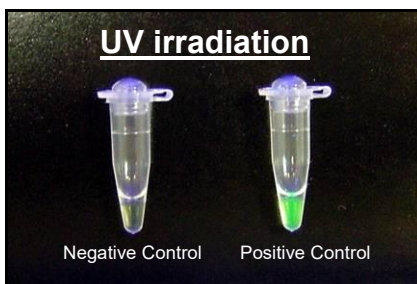


After 60 minutes passes, terminate the reaction by heating for 2 minutes at 80°C.

Fluorescence Detection Solution before reaction looks light red. If *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus* exists, it turns to vivid yellow under UV irradiation.

In this procedure, UV transilluminator (wavelength: 254 - 366 nm), UV goggles, or a face shield is needed.

Normally, Positive Control Solution appears fluorescence and Negative Control Solution does not appear fluorescence. If Negative Control Solution appears fluorescence, there is possibility that **Bx Positive Control** enters the test tube by mistake. In this case, check the handling and try to test again.

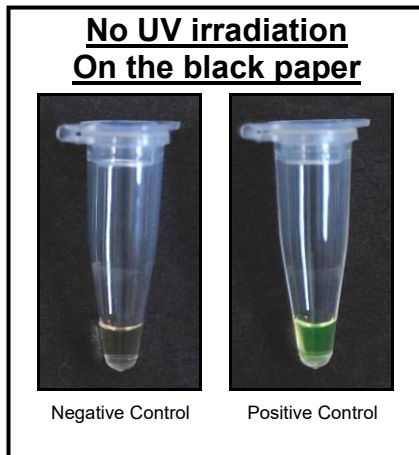


Important

Judge the result immediately after the reaction is completed.

Important

Use of UV irradiation equipment is being recommended as judgment by this kit.
But, when coloring is strong, when a tube is put on black paper, it's possible to confirm the coloring by a naked eye.



Judgment of the sample

[Judgment]

If Test Solution appears the fluorescence that is same level with the **Positive Control Solution** under UV irradiation, the sample may contain *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus*. If the fluorescence is NOT detected under UV irradiation, the sample does not contain *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus*.

[The tips of judgment]

Test Solution has emitted fluorescence clearly

The plant may be infected with *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus*.

Test Solution does not have any difference in fluorescence as compared with Negative Control Solution

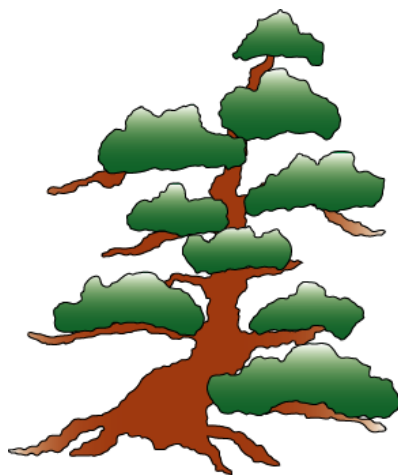
The plant may not be infected with *Bursaphelenchus xylophilus*. However, fluorescence may not appear in the early stage of infection, since nematode concentration is very low.

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