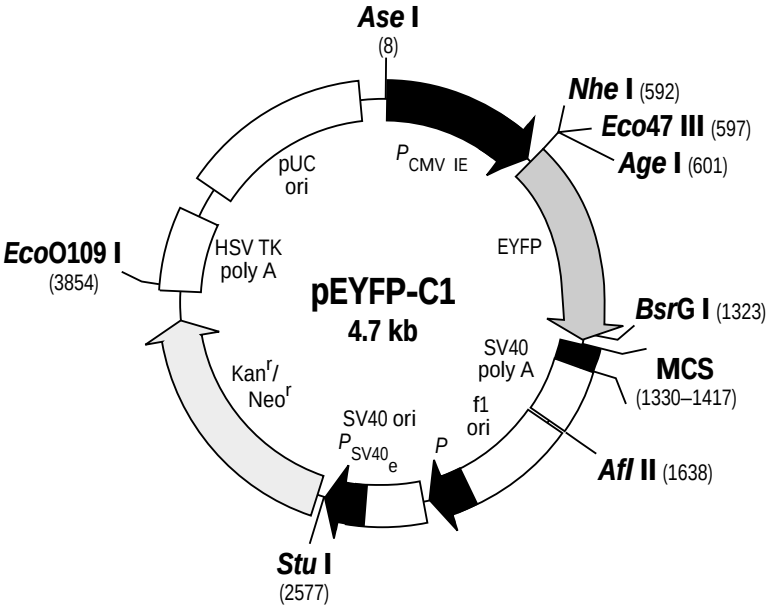

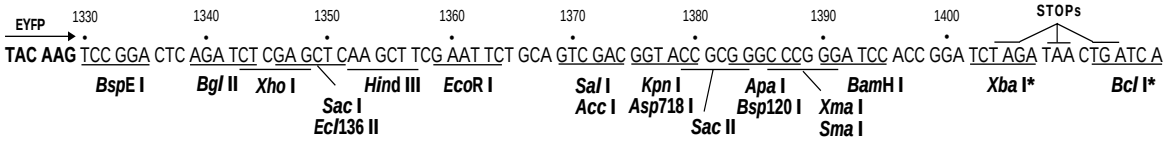

Restriction map and multiple cloning site (MCS) of pEYFP-C1. All restriction sites are shown are unique. The *Xba* I and *Bcl* I sites (*) are methylated in the DNA provided by BD Biosciences Clontech. If you wish to digest the vectors with these enzymes, you will need to transform the vector into a *dam*– host and make fresh DNA.

Description:

pEYFP-C1 encodes an enhanced yellow-green variant of the *Aequorea victoria* green fluorescent protein (GFP). The EYFP gene contains the four amino acid substitutions previously published as GFP-10C (1): Ser-65 to Gly; Val-68 to Leu; Ser-72 to Ala; and and Thr-203 to Tyr. The fluorescence excitation maximum of EYFP is 513 nm; the emission spectrum has a peak at 527 nm (in the yellow-green region). When excited at 513-nm, the E_m of EYFP is 36,500 $cm^{-1}M^{-1}$ and the fluorescent quantum yield is 0.63 (1), resulting in a bright fluorescent signal. The fluorescence observed is roughly equivalent to that from EGFP.

A mixture of EYFP- and EGFP-expressing cells can be sorted by flow cytometry using a single excitation wavelength (i.e., 488 nm). EYFP emission is detected using a 525-nm dichroic shortpass mirror and a 530/30-nm bandpass filter; EGFP emission is detected using a 510/20-nm bandpass filter.

In addition to the chromophore mutations, EYFP contains >190 silent mutations that create an open reading frame comprised almost entirely of preferred human codons (2). Furthermore, upstream sequences flanking EYFP have been converted to a Kozak consensus translation initiation site (3). These changes increase the translational efficiency of the EYFP mRNA and consequently the expression of EYFP in mammalian and plant cells.

The MCS in pEYFP-C1 is between the EYFP coding sequence and the stop codon. Genes cloned into the MCS will be expressed as fusions to the C-terminus of EYFP if they are in the same reading frame as EYFP and there are no intervening in-frame stop codons. EYFP with a C-terminal fusion moiety retains the fluorescent properties of the native protein and thus can be used to localize fusion proteins *in vivo*.

The vector contains an SV40 origin for replication and a neomycin resistance (Neo^r) gene for selection (using G418) in eukaryotic cells. A bacterial promoter (*P*) upstream of Neo^r expresses kanamycin resistance in *E. coli*. The vector backbone also provides a pUC19 origin of replication for propagation in *E. coli* and an f1 origin for single-stranded DNA production. The recombinant EYFP vector can be

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transfected into mammalian cells using any standard transfection method. If required, stable transformants can be selected using G418 (4). pEYFP-C1 can also be used simply to express EYFP in a cell line of interest (e.g., as a transfection marker).

Location of features:

- Human cytomegalovirus (CMV) immediate early promoter: 1–589
  Enhancer region: 59–465; TATA box: 554–560; transcription start point: 583
  C→G mutation to remove *Sac* I site: 569
- Enhanced yellow fluorescent protein (EYFP) gene:
  Kozak consensus translation initiation site: 606–616
  Start codon (ATG): 613–615; stop codon: 1408–1410
  Insertion of Val at position 2: 616–618
  GFP-10C mutations (Ser-65 to Gly: 808–810; Val-68 to Leu: 817–819; Ser-72 to Ala: 829–831; Thr-203 to Tyr: 1222–1224)
  His-231 to Leu mutation (A→T): 1307
  Last amino acid in wild-type GFP coding region: 1327–1329
- MCS: 1330–1417
- SV40 early mRNA polyadenylation signal:
  Polyadenylation signals: 1550–1555 & 1579–1584; mRNA 3' ends: 1588 & 1600
- f1 single-strand DNA origin: 1647–2102 (Packages the noncoding strand of EYFP.)
- Bacterial promoter for expression of Kan^r gene:
  –35 region: 2164–2169; –10 region: 2187–2192
  Transcription start point: 2199
- SV40 origin of replication: 2443–2578
- SV40 early promoter:
  Enhancer (72-bp tandem repeats): 2276–2347 & 2348–2419
  21-bp repeats: 2423–2443, 2444–2464 & 2466–2486
  Early promoter element: 2499–2505
  Major transcription start points: 2495, 2533, 2539 & 2544
- Kanamycin/neomycin resistance gene:
  Neomycin phosphotransferase coding sequences:
  Start codon (ATG): 2627–2629; stop codon: 3419–3421
  G→A mutation to remove *Pst* I site: 2809
  C→A (Arg to Ser) mutation to remove *Bss*H II site: 3155
- Herpes simplex virus (HSV) thymidine kinase (TK) polyadenylation signal
  Polyadenylation signals: 3657–3662 & 3670–3675
- pUC plasmid replication origin: 4006–4649

Primer Locations:

- EGFP-N Sequencing Primer (#6479-1): 679–658
- EGFP-C Sequencing Primer (#6478-1): 1266–1287

Propagation in *E. coli*:

- Suitable host strains: DH5α, HB101, and other general purpose strains. Single-stranded DNA production requires a host containing an F plasmid such as JM109 or XL1-Blue.
- Selectable marker: plasmid confers resistance to kanamycin (30 μg/ml) to *E. coli* hosts.
- *E. coli* replication origin: pUC
- Copy number: ≈500
- Plasmid incompatibility group: pMB1/ColE1

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Note: The attached sequence file has been compiled from information in the sequence databases, published literature, and other sources, together with partial sequences obtained by BD Biosciences Clontech. This vector has not been completely sequenced.

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