



## Buffer TBE, 5x

For preparation of agarose and polyacrylamide gels and use as an electrophoresis running buffer

### Product Contents

<b>Buffer TBE, 5x</b>	
<b>Catalog no.</b>	<b>129217</b>
Buffer TBE, 5x	5 liters
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### Storage Conditions

Buffer TBE, 5x should be stored at room temperature (15–25°C).

### Product Description

Buffer TBE, 5x is suitable for the preparation of agarose and polyacrylamide gels and as an electrophoresis running buffer for the separation of nucleic acids. In addition, this product is ideal for use in all other molecular biology techniques where a Tris-borate-EDTA buffer is required. Buffer TBE, 5x is free of nuclease activity and is supplied in convenient 5-liter tap-containers. Buffer TBE, 5x is composed of 0.45 M Tris-borate, 0.01 M EDTA, pH 8.3.

### Quality Control

In accordance with QIAGEN's ISO-certified Quality Management System, each lot of Buffer TBE, 5x is tested against predetermined specifications to ensure consistent product quality.

### Product Use Limitations

Buffer TBE, 5x is intended for research use. No claim or representation is intended to provide information for the diagnosis, prevention, or treatment of a disease.

## Safety Information

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## Procedure

For gel electrophoresis, Buffer TBE, 5x should be diluted to a working concentration of 0.5–1x. After 2 or 3 runs, the buffering capacity of the TBE becomes exhausted, lowering the mobility of the nucleic acids in the gel. For this reason Buffer TBE should be replaced every 3 runs (1). **Note:** Buffer exhaustion depends on the duration of electrophoresis, so longer electrophoretic runs may require more frequent buffer changes.

## Reference

1. Sambrook, J. and Russell, D.W. (2001) Molecular cloning: a laboratory manual, 3rd ed., Cold Spring Harbour Laboratory Press.

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