

# Product Information

## pBICEP-CMV™-1 Expression Vector

Catalog Number **E0779**

Storage Temperature –20 °C

## TECHNICAL BULLETIN

### Product Description

The pBICEP-CMV-1 bicistronic expression vector is a 5.4 kb derivative of pCMV5<sup>1</sup> used for transient or stable co-expression of an N-terminal 1X FLAG® fusion protein and the neomycin resistance gene in mammalian cells.

The promoter-regulatory region of the human cytomegalovirus immediate early promoter<sup>2,3</sup> drives transcription of the FLAG-fusion construct along with the downstream neomycin resistance gene. The EMCV IRES<sup>4,5</sup> region controls translation of the neomycin resistance gene by recruiting the ribosomal subunits for cap-independant translational initiation. The aminoglycoside phosphotransferase II gene<sup>6</sup> (Neo) confers resistance to aminoglycosides such as G 418,<sup>7</sup> allowing for selection of stable transfecants.

The pBICEP-CMV-1 bicistronic expression vector allows for faster and easier integration and selection of recombinant genes into the chromosomal DNA of the host, creating stable expression cell lines.

Stable transfecants can be generated by transfection using the appropriate selection from the ESCORT product line for the specific cell type utilized. Cells are then selected in the antibiotic containing media for 20 to 30 days. Cell culture media is supplemented with the antibiotic, G 418 (Product Number G 8168), at a typical concentration of 1 mg/ml. A kill curve is recommended for each individual cell line used prior to initiation of selection experiments.

### Reagents Provided

- E 9903 pBICEP-CMV-1  
10 mM Tris, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0  
E 0154 pBICEP-CMV-1-lacZ  
10 mM Tris, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0

### Precautions/Disclaimers

For laboratory use only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

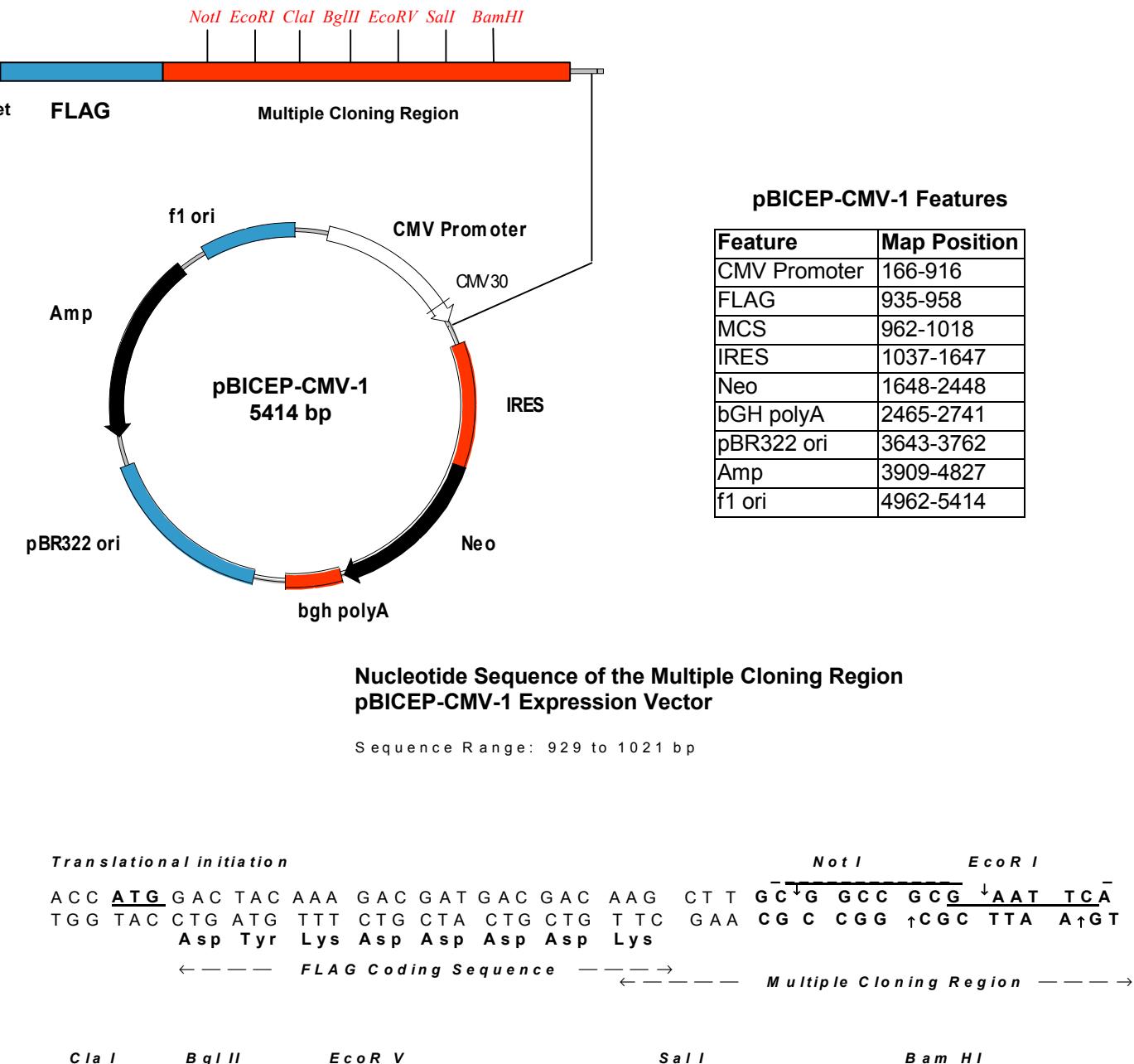
### Storage

This product ships on dry ice and storage at –20 °C is recommended.

### References

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