Methyl-directed mismatch repair (MMR) is an important mechanism in DNA repair1,2. Since UvrD is a known helicase that functions in MMR to unwind the incorrect strand of DNA and remove the incorrect bases, it is suspected that *Taq* UvrD would also be a helicase. Therefore, we purified this protein and performed multiple assays to assess whether *Taq* UvrD is a helicase.