

cDNA synthesis and PCR protocol for Metagenomics

Reagents and Supplies

Q5® High-Fidelity DNA Polymerase
SuperScript™ IV First-Strand Synthesis
dNTP
Micropipette set
Primers
Tips
Lab coat
Powder-free gloves
PCR tubes 0.2ml
Tube racks 0.2ml
Thermocycler
Laminar flow chapel

Procedures to cDNA synthesis

a) Add in a 0.2mL tube for each reaction:

RLB RT 9N (2 uM) - 1 μ L

dNTPs (10 mM) - 1 μ L

Treated RNA - 10 μ L

b) Place the tube to incubate in a heat block for **5 minutes at 65 °C**.

c) Then place the tube **immediately on the ice** to prevent the formation of secondary structures.

d) On each tube of the previous reaction, add **8 μ L of** the Master Mix
below:

SSIV buffer (5x) -4 μ L

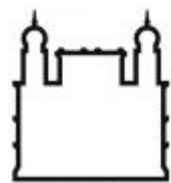
DTT (100 mM) -1 μ L

RNase OUT (inhibitor) -1 μ L

SS IV RTase (200U/ul) -1 μ L

RLB TSO (2 uM) -1 μ L

TOTAL = 20 μ L



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- e) Then place the tubes in the thermocycler following the configuration represented in the table below:

Number of cycles	Temperature (°C)	Time
1	42	1h30 minutes
1	70	10 mins
1	4	∞

Procedures to Metagenomics PCR

- a) Prepare the PCR Mix by following the volumes for 1 reaction shown in the table below:

Component	Amount for 1 reaction
Ultra pure water	15.75 µL
Q5 reaction buffer (5x)	5 µL
dNTPs (10uM)	0.5 µL
RLB PCR 20 uM primer	1 µL

- b) After calculating the number of reactions to be prepared for the Master mix, **transfer 22.5 µL** of the mix to the 0.2mL PCR tubes and then, in another physically separated work area, **add 2.5 µL** of cDNA to each PCR tube containing the Master mix.
- c) Place the tubes in the thermocycler, following the configuration represented in the table below:

Number of cycles	Temperature (°C)	Time
1	98	45 seconds
26	98	15 seconds
	56	15 seconds
	65	5 mins
1	65	6 mins
	4	∞

References

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