

Frag-MaP experimental protocol

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Experiment Summary

Detect the RNA binding site of fully-functionalized fragments in *B. subtilis* total RNA.

Protocol Overview:

- Photocrosslink and extract RNA
- Partial Fragmentation of total RNA
- Click Azide-PEG3-Biotin
- Streptavidin bead enrichment (optional)
- Ethanol precipitation
- MaP RT
- Second strand synthesis
- NEB Ultra II adapter ligation kit
- Qubit
- Bioanalyzer
- Pool and dilute library
- Miseq

Photocrosslink and extract RNA (3 days)

Prepare ligand crosslinked total RNA for JuMP RT, and sequencing.

NOTE: All experiments should start fresh by streaking *B. sub* on plates.

- *B. sub* does not grow well from glycerol stocks or passaged cell pellets.
- *B. sub* does not store well at 4 °C because it enters a spore form.

Day 1: Plate cells

Materials:

- *B. subtilis* str. 168 glycerol stock
- LB Agar plate

Protocol:

1. Streak a plate with *B. subtilis* str. 168 to form single colonies.
2. Incubate plate at 30 °C overnight.

Day 2: Overnight culture

Materials:

- LB media (5 mL)
- Culture tube

Protocol:

1. Inoculate 5 mL LB media with a single colony from plate.
2. Grow cells overnight at 30 °C, 225 rpm.

Day 3: Probe cells and extract RNA (~10 hours)

Materials:

- LB media (50 mL)
- PBS buffer (100 mL)
- 50 mM ligand stock in DMSO (20 uL per sample)
- Sterile 6-well plastic plate (1 well per sample)
- lysozyme (60 mg)
- 1M Tris pH 7 (180 uL)
- 0.5 M EDTA (120 uL)
- Chloroform
- 100% ethanol
- Qiagen RNeasy Plus Universal Mini kit

Protocol:

3. Inoculate 60 mL LB media with 3 mL cultured cells and grow cells to 0.50 OD₆₀₀.

NOTE: Expect cell growth to take ~2.5 hours.

Time point	#1 OD ₆₀₀	#2 OD ₆₀₀
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4. Buffer exchange cells.
 - Gently pellet cells at 3200g for 10 min at 4 °C.
 - Carefully remove supernatant.
 - Wash cell pellet with 50 mL PBS buffer, repeat centrifugation, and carefully remove supernatant.
 - Resuspend cells in 50 mL PBS buffer.
5. Probe cells with functionalized ligands.
 - Combine 4,980 uL of cultured media with 20 uL of photo-reactive ligand (50 mM stock in DMSO) and pipette mix. Avoid prolonged light exposure.

NOTE: final [ligand] is 200 uM. 250X dilution.

- Incubate ligand-treated cells for 30 minutes at 30 °C and 225 rpm.

NOTE: Keep solution in dark.

6. Cross-link functionalized ligands to RNA.

- Transfer 5 mL cell solution to a sterile 6-well plastic plate.
- Place uncover plate and place on ice
- Irradiate with 365 nm light source and cross-link with 3 J/cm².

NOTE: This is nine minutes (or three max energy hits) 5-6 cm from the light source in a UVP crosslinker.

7. Create cell pellet.

- Centrifuge to pellet the cells. 8,000xg for 10 min. at 4 °C.
- Discard supernatant.

8. Prepare fresh lysis buffer.

- (30 mM Tris pH 7, 10 mM EDTA, 10 mg/mL lysozyme):

Reagent	Amount
lysozyme	50 mg
1M Tris pH 7	150 uL
0.5M EDTA	100 uL
RNase inhibitor murine	50 uL
NF H ₂ O	4700 uL
TOTAL	5,000 uL

9. Lysis cell pellet with lysozyme buffer.

- Add 250 uL of buffer lysis to each cell pellet.
- Incubate for 30 min. at RT.

10. Extract and purify total RNA from cells.

- Use 1000 uL of Tri-reagent
- Mix aggressively to aid in lysis
- Lyse for 15 minutes
- Add 250 uL of chloroform
- Vortex and incubate at RT for 3-5 minutes
- Centrifuge at 15000xg for 15 minutes at 4 C
- **NOTE: Keep sample on ice until aqueous layer is recovered**
- Add 100% ethanol to each recovered aqueous layer in equal parts (1:1)

- Follow Direct-zol RNA Miniprep Plus Kit instructions.
- Elute from column with 50 uL of NFW

NOTE: Yields of ~50-60 ug total RNA have been achieved per 5 mL culture probed.

11. Check RNA purity.

- Measure absorbance ratio (A260/280 and A260/230) on nanodrop.

Culture	Sample ID	Yield (µg)	[RNA] (ng/µL)	A260/280	A260/230

NOTES:

- Samples diluted to 500 ng/µL and flash frozen.

Storage:

- RNA can be stored overnight at 4 °C for ~ 1 week.
- RNA can be flash-frozen in aliquots and stored at -80 °C for ~1 year.

Next Steps:

- Partial RNA Fragmentation
- MaP-RT

Sample Details:

RNA provided from Frag-MaP Cell Probing 4 experiment (200 µM).

Sample ID	Replicate	Ligand	Fragmentation	Enrichment	[RNA] (ng/µL)	i7 index	i5 index

Partial Fragmentation of total RNA (~0.5 hour)

Fragment RNA to around 150 nt average length.

Materials:

- Total RNA (10 µg)
- [NEBNext® Magnesium RNA Fragmentation Module](#)

Protocol:

1. Mix the following components in a sterile PCR tube:

Component	Volume
Purified total RNA (~10 µg)	18 µL
RNA Fragmentation Buffer (10X)	2 µL
Total	20 µL

2. Incubate in a preheated thermal cycler for 3 minutes at 94°C.
3. Transfer tube to ice immediately.
4. Add 2 µl 10X RNA Fragmentation Stop Solution.
5. Clean up with [Monarch RNA Cleanup kit](#)

More Information:

[NEBNext® Magnesium RNA Fragmentation Module Protocol](#)

Click Azide-PEG3-Biotin (~1 hour)

This protocol is intended to add a vector to enable biotin-streptavidin enrichment for crosslinked RNA.

Materials:

Multiple reagents amounts by the number of intended samples

Reagents	[Reagent]	[Final]	Amount
Total RNA-alkyne – 10X	~10 µg	~0.1 µM	18 µL
N3-Cy5 – 25X	50 µM	2 µM	2 µL
HEPES Buffer pH 7.5 – 25X	250 mM	10 mM	2 µL
DMSO	-	-	25 µL
Ascorbic Acid – 20X	10 mM	0.5 mM	2.5 µL
Cu(II): TBTA – 41.7X	10 mM	240 µM	1.2 µL
TOTAL	-	-	50 µL

Protocol:

1. Prepare fresh 10 mM Ascorbic acid stock 20X:
 - Combine reagents.
 - Sparge solution with N₂ and use immediately.

Reagents	Amount
Ascorbic acid	9.0 mg
NF Water	5.0 mL

Reagents	Amount
TOTAL	5.0 mL

2. Dilute RNA:

- Add RNA-alkyne and water to a strip of PCR tubes.

Reagents	[Reagent]	Final [RNA-Alkyne]	Amount
RNA-alkyne – 10X	75 ng/μL	~ 0.01 μM	17.3 μL
Nuclease free H ₂ O	-	-	- μL
Subtotal	-	-	17.3 μL

3. Heat denature RNA:

- Incubate RNA at 95 °C for 2 min.
- Snap cool on ice for 2 min.

4. Add HEPES buffer and N3-PEG3-Biotin to tubes:

- Add HEPES and N3-PEG3-Biotin.

Reagents	[Reagent]	[Final]	Amount
HEPES Buffer pH 7.5 – 25X	250 mM	10 mM	2 μL
N3-PEG3-Biotin – 25X	50 μM	2 μM	2 μL
Subtotal	-	-	21.3 μL

NOTE: Batch samples can be kept on ice after HEPES addition.

5. Denature RNA by adding DMSO:

- Add DMSO to each sample.
- Briefly vortex.

Reagents	[Reagent]	[Final]	Amount
DMSO	-	-	25 μL
Subtotal	-	-	46.3 μL

6. Start click reaction:

- Add ascorbic acid and Cu(II)/TBTA mix to samples.

Reagents	[Reagent]	[Final]	Amount
Ascorbic Acid – 20X	10 mM	0.5 mM	2.5 μL
Cu(II): TBTA – 41.7X	10 mM	240 μM	1.2 μL

Reagents	[Reagent]	[Final]	Amount
Total	-	-	50.0 μL

NOTE: Initiate reaction within 5 minutes of adding DMSO (RNA stays denatured for ~30 minutes).

7. Incubate reaction.

- Cover reaction.
- Incubate at 40 °C for ~20 minutes.

NOTE: No further conversion after 1 h and more RNA degradation occurs.

8. Quench reaction.

- Add 1.0 μ L of 0.5 M EDTA to each sample (50 μ L).

9. Remove DMSO.

- Dilute to ~500 μ L with NF water (final [DMSO] is 5%).
- Concentrate with Amicon Ultra 0.5mL Centrifugal filter spin column (10-50K NMWL cut off). Spin for 10 min at 14,000 g and 4 °C.

OPTIONAL:

- Wash column with ~500 μ L of cold TE buffer
- Spin for 10 min at 14,000 g and 4 °C.

Results - Nanodrop:

Sample ID	[RNA] (ng/ μ L)	A260/280	A260/230
1D			
1M			
1Z			
1Q			
1B			
1H			
1G			
1J			
2D			
2M			
2Z			

Sample ID	[RNA] (ng/ μ L)	A260/280	A260/230
2Q			
2B			
2H			
2G			
2J			

Streptavidin bead enrichment (~1 hour)

Enrich crosslinked RNA via Biotin-Streptavidin pull-down.

Before starting:

- click Azide-3PEG-biotin to Alkyne-RNA and purify (RNAeasy Minelute)

Materials:

- 0.5M Tris pH 7.5
- 2M NaCl
- 10% Tween-20
- [Streptavidin Magnetic Beads](#)
- Formamide
- 0.5M EDTA

Protocol:

1. Prepare Bind Buffer (2X):

Component	[reagent]	[2X]	[Final]	Amount (μ L)
Tris pH 7.5	1 M	100 mM	50mM	1,000
KCl	2 M	200 mM	100 mM	2,000
TWEEN-20	10%	0.02%	0.01%	20
NFW	-	-	-	6,980
TOTAL	-	-	-	10,000

2. Prepare Wash Buffer:

Component	[reagent]	[Final]	Amount (μ L)
Bind Buffer	2X	1X	7,000
NFW	-	-	7,000
TOTAL	-	-	14,000

3. Prepare Elution Buffer:

Component	Concentration	[Final]	Amount (μL)
Formamide	99%	95%	960
EDTA (pH 8.2)	0.5M	10 mM	20
NFW	-	-	20
TOTAL	-	-	1000

4. Wash NEB Streptavidin Magnetic Beads.

- Vortex beads until completely suspended.
- Add 50 μL of beads to a PCR strip.
- Incubate at RT for 5 minutes.
- Apply magnet to beads and remove supernatant.
- Resuspend beads in 100 μL of Wash Buffer (1X).
- Apply magnet to beads and remove supernatant.
- Repeat wash with Wash Buffer (1X).

5. Bind RNA to beads:

- Add RNA-biotin to a strip of PCR tubes.
- Add Bind Buffer (2X).
- Add NEB Streptavidin Magnetic Beads.

Component	Concentration	[Final]	Amount (μL)
RNA-Biotin	-	5 μg	25
Bind Buffer	2X	1X	25
Streptavidin Beads	-	-	50
TOTAL	-	-	100

6. Incubate RNA-Biotin and Streptavidin Beads for at least 30 minutes at RT.

- < 10 minutes for short oligos (~ 30 nucleotides).
- ~ 15 minutes for fragmented total RNA.
- ~ 30 minutes for full length total RNA.

7. Pull-down:

- Immobilize beads with magnetic rack.
- Remove and discard supernatant.

8. Wash beads 4 times:

- Resuspend beads in 150 μL of Wash Buffer (1X).
- Immobilize beads with magnetic rack.
- Remove and discard supernatant.

9. Elute RNA:

- Add 50 μL of Elution Buffer.
- Heat tubes at 95 °C for 4 minutes.
- Quickly transfer tubes to magnetic rack and immobilize beads.
- Transfer RNA-biotin solution into a new tube.

More information:

- [A chemical probe based on the PreQ1 metabolite enables transcriptome-wide mapping of binding sites](#)

Next steps:

- [Ethanol precipitation](#)

Purify RNA - Ethanol Precipitation (~2 hours)

Purified RNA may need to be concentrated by precipitation for downstream applications. Precipitation of RNA with ethanol (or isopropanol) is the standard method to recover RNA from aqueous solutions.

Materials:

- RNA (> 10 ng/ μL)*
- 100% Ethanol (or isopropanol)
- 70% Ethanol
- A salt from TABLE 1.

TABLE 1. Salt solutions for precipitating RNA

Salt	Stock (M)	[Final] (M)	Comments
Sodium Acetate	3 (pH 5.2)	0.3	Recommended.
Ammonium acetate	5	0.5	Use with isopropanol to remove free nucleotides.
Lithium Chloride	8	0.8	Avoid for downstream IVT or RT.

NOTE: Avoid Potassium salts if RNA will be exposed to dodecyl sulfate (SDS).

Protocol:

1. Combined components:

- Add RNA to appropriately sized tube.
- Add one of the salt solutions shown in Table 1.
- Add 2.5–3.0 volumes of ice-cold ethanol (or 1 volume of isopropanol).
- Mix the solution well.

Component	Concentration	Equivalents
RNA	> 10 ng/ μL *	1

Component	Concentration	Equivalents
Salt	10X	0.1
Ethanol	100%	2.9
Glycogen (*optional)	100X	-
TOTAL	-	4

*If [RNA] is < 10 ng/μL, add glycogen (final concentration of 50–150 μg/mL) to facilitate low concentration precipitation.

2. Precipitate RNA:

- Store the ethanolic solution for 1 h to overnight at –20 °C.
- RNA precipitation is faster and more complete at higher RNA concentrations.

3. Recover the RNA:

- Centrifugation RNA solution at 12,000g–14,000g for 10 min at 4 °C to form pellet.
- RNA pellet is often invisible.
- Decant the supernatant without disturbing the RNA pellet.
- Carefully remove remaining traces of the supernatant with a disposable pipette tip.

4. Wash the RNA pellet (x2):

- Add 0.5 mL of ice-cold 70% ethanol to pellet.
- Centrifuge at maximum speed for 10min at 4 °C.
- Repeat ethanol wash.

5. Dry RNA pellet:

- Leave tube open at room temperature until the last traces of fluid have evaporated.
- Do not dry the RNA pellet completely; otherwise, it can be difficult to dissolve the RNA.

6. Dissolve the RNA pellet:

- Dissolve RNA in the desired volume of an RNase-free buffer (usually TE; pH between 6 and 7).
- Rinse the walls of the tube well with the buffer.

Storage:

- RNA can be stored for up to 1 yr at –80 °C.

More information:

- [Precipitation of RNA with Ethanol](#)

Mutational profiling RT (~3 hours)

This protocol is based on Smola et.al., 2015. It has been optimized for the synthesis of long cDNA from DMS modified RNA.

Before starting:

[Modify RNA](#) [Purify RNA](#)

Materials:

- 0.5 M Tris pH 8.0
- 0.75 M KCl
- 0.1 M DTT
- RNA (1 ng to 5 µg of total RNA)
- 2 µM RT primer (50 to 250 ng random primer)
- 10 mM dNTP mix
- 5 M betaine
- 40 mM MnCl₂
- SuperScript II

Protocol:

1. Create fresh 10X NTP minus:

Reagent	Amount
1 M Tris pH 8.0	20 µL
2 M KCl	15 µL
1 M DTT	4 µL
NF Water	1 µL
TOTAL	40 µL

2. For each RNA sample combine:

Reagent	Amount
RNA (~15 ng)	7.5 µL
nonamer (~100 ng)	0.5 µL
10 mM dNTPs	2 µL
TOTAL	10 µL

3. Denature and anneal ribosome by incubating at 90°C for 5 min, then cool on ice.

4. Create the following master mix:

(multiply by number of samples + 1)

Reagent	Amount
10X NTP minus	2 uL
5 M Betaine	4 uL
40 mM MnCl ₂	3 uL
TOTAL	9 uL

5. Add 9 µL of master mix to each sample.
6. Incubate at 25°C for 2 min.
7. Add 1 µL of SuperScript II.
8. Set Thermocycler to this program:
 - Incubate at 25°C for 10 min.
 - Incubate at 42°C for 90 min.
 - 10 cycles of 50°C for 2 min and 42°C for 2 min.
 - Deactivate at 70°C for 10 min.
 - Hold at 4°C.
9. Purify cDNA with [G-50 column](#)

More Information:

- [First-Strand cDNA Synthesis Using SuperScript II RT](#)

Second Strand Synthesis (~2 hours)

From first strand synthesis product, a mix of enzymes polymerizes a second cDNA from the first cDNA of a DNA-RNA hybrid, then digests away the RNA.

Before starting:

- [first strand synthesis](#)
- [cDNA purification](#)

Materials:

- NEBNext second strand synthesis enzyme mix
- NEBNext second strand synthesis 10x buffer
- Fresh 80% EtOH

Protocol:

Always keep 2nd Strand Enzyme cold (below 16°C)

1. Into a tube combine:

Reagent	Amount
sscDNA	20 µL
nucleotide-free water	48 µL
10X 2nd Strand Reaction Buffer	8 µL
2nd Strand Enzyme Mix	4 µL
TOTAL	80 µL

2. Mix by pipetting.

3. Incubate at 16°C for 60 min.

Next Steps:

- [Purify DNA](#)
- [HS DNA Qubit assay](#)
- [Nextera XT](#)

DNA Library Prep (Adapter Ligation) - NEBNext Ultra II (~2 hours)

Materials:

- dsDNA (500 pg - 1 µg)
- NEBNext Ultra II End Prep Enzyme Mix
- NEBNext Ultra II End Prep Reaction Buffer
- NEBNext Ultra II Ligation Master Mix
- NEBNext Ligation Enhancer
- NEBNext Ultra II Q5 Master Mix
- NEBNext Oligo Kit
- 80% Ethanol

Protocol:

1. Prepare Ends.

- Add the following components into a PCR tube:

Components	Volume
dsDNA	50 µL
End Prep Reaction Buffer	7 µL
End Prep Enzyme Mix	3 µL
TOTAL	60 µL

- Mix thoroughly and spin down.
- Incubate in thermal cycler with lid set to > 75 °C:

Step	Time (min.)	Temperature (°C)
Prep ends	30	20
Denature	30	65
End	HOLD	4

2. Adapter Ligation. (Adds ~60 nt)

- Dilute adaptors based on input DNA quantity (from NEBNext Oligo Kit):

Input DNA	Adaptor Dilution	Working [Adapter]
101-1000 ng	No Dilution	15 µM
5 - 100 ng	1:10	1.5 µM
0.5 - 5 ng	1:25	0.6 µM

- Add the following components directly into the End Prep Reaction Mixture:

▪ **NOTE: Do NOT premix Adapter with Master Mix or Ligation Enhancer.**

COMPONENT	VOLUME
End Prep Reaction Mixture	60 µl
NEBNext Adaptor (diluted)	2.5 µl
NEBNext Ultra II Ligation Master Mix	30 µl
NEBNext Ligation Enhancer	1 µl
TOTAL	93.5 µL

- Mix thoroughly and spin down.
- Incubate at 20 °C for 15 minutes with lid heater off.
- Add 3 µl of (red) USER enzyme.
- Mix throughly.
- Incubate at 37 °C for 15 minutes with the lid heater set to > 47 °C

3. Cleanup of Adaptor-ligated DNA - SPRI beads

Bead Ratio: 1.4x

1. Beads added to reaction mixture (1.4X)
2. Incubate at room temp. for 5 min.
3. Place in magnetic holder for 5 min.

4. Remove most of the supernatant
5. Wash beads with 80% ethanol (30 seconds) twice.
6. Add 17 μ L of water, resuspend pellet, and incubate for 5 minutes.
7. Remove and keep supernatant.

4. PCR Amplification (Adds ~60 nt)

- Add the following components to a PCR strip:

COMPONENT	VOLUME
Adaptor Ligated DNA Fragments	15 μ l
NEBNext Ultra II Q5 Master Mix	25 μ l
Index Primer/i7 Primer	5 μ l
Universal PCR Primer/i5 Primer	5 μ l
TOTAL	50 μl

- Mix thoroughly and spin down.
- Choose number of PCR cycles using the table below:

INPUT DNA	# OF CYCLES (YIELD ~100 ng)
100 ng	3
50 ng	3–4
10 ng	6–7
5 ng	7–8
1 ng	9–10
0.5 ng	10–13

- Perform PCR amplification using the following PCR cycling conditions:

STEP	PCR Cycle Step	TEMP	TIME	CYCLES
Initial Denaturation		98 °C	30 seconds	1
PCR cycles:				
	Denaturation	98 °C	10 seconds	3-15
	Annealing/Extension	65 °C	75 seconds	3-15
Final Extension		65 °C	5 minutes	1
HOLD		4 °C	Hold	1

5. Cleanup of PCR Reaction - SPRI beads

Bead Ratio: 1.2x

1. Beads added to reaction mixture (1.2X)
2. Incubate at room temp. for 5 min.

3. Place in magnetic holder for 5 min.
4. Remove most of the supernatant
5. Wash beads with 80% ethanol (30 seconds) twice.
6. Add 20 μL of water, resuspend pellet, and incubate for 5 minutes.
7. Remove and keep supernatant.

Notes:

- 12 cycles of PCR used
- Lengths are insert + adaptor (60 nt) + primers (60 nt)

Next Steps:

- Qubit
- Bioanalyzer

Qubit (~0.5 hours)

Quantify the dscDNA product from second strand synthesis via Qubit HS DNA assay.

Material

- [Qubit 1X dsDNA HS kit](#)
 - Qubit tubes
 - 1X working solution
 - Standards 1 & 2

Protocol

1. Create standard 1 & 2:
 - Add 190 μL of working solution into Qubit tube
 - Add 10 μL of standard
 - Equalibrate to RT
2. Create samples:
 - Add 196 μL of working solution into Qubit tube
 - Add 4 μL of cDNA
 - Equalibrate to RT
3. Incubate for 2 minutes before reading concentrations

Results

Sample ID	[dscDNA] ng/ μL

Bioanalyzer (~1 hour)

Determine the average length of nextera library.

Materials

- High sensitivity DNA reagents
- High sensitivity DNA chip
- Chip priming station

Protocol

- Follow Agilent [protocol](#)

Results

Sample ID	Avg. bp length	% of total

Pool and dilute library (~1 hour)

Dilute sample to the same molarity and pool for sequencing.

Material

- [Illumina-mix-calculator.xlsx](#)
- [Sample_Sheet.xlsx](#)

Target library concentration for illumina v3 chemistry

2.00 nM [library] -> 10 pM [final]

Protocol

1. Input data into illumina-mix-calculator.xlsx
 - Avg. bp length (Bioanalyzer)
 - ng/μL (Qubit)
 - % Non-dimer (bioanalyzer)
 - Target library concentration (nM)

NOTE: Recommended minimum volume: 3 μL

2. Pool sample library using the volumes calculated by illumina-mix-calculator.xlsx

3. Quantify the concentration of the pooled sample library using Qubit
4. Dilute the pooled library to the final concentration (ng/μL) calculated by [illumina-mix-calculator.xlsx](#)

Sample ID	[non-dimer] (nM)	Amount to pool (μL)

5. Verify concentration via Qubit.

Sample ID	ng/μL	nM

Next Steps

MiSeq

MiSeq (~2 hours)

Normalized DNA sequencing libraries are pooled, denatured, diluted, loaded into a MiSeq reagent kit, and ran on the MiSeq

1. Post-run wash (if not already completed)
 - After the run, discard waste, reagent cartridge and PR2 bottle
 - Formamide must be removed from the reagent cartridge (Well #8)
 - Fill an empty PR2 bottle with 500 mL 0.5% Tween 20:
 - 25 mL 10% Tween 20
 - 475 MilliQ water
 - From PR2 bottle, put 5 mL of 0.5% Tween 20 into each well of the wash tray
 - Load wash tray, wash bottle, and waste bottle
 - Start post-run wash
2. Reboot computer and clear disk space
 - Make drive has at least 100 GB free
 - Shut-down windows through the start menu
 - Once complete, shut off power to the device for 30 seconds
 - Turn on power switch, device will reboot
3. Thaw reagent cartridge
 - Open MiSeq Reagent Kit Box 1 of 2 (stored at -20)
 - Thaw HT1 buffer on ice (or RT if impatient, then move to ice)

- Copy the serial number from the reagent cartridge (MS#####-#00V#)
- Thaw reagent cartridge in a room temperature water bath (~1 hr)
- Once completely thawed, store at 4C until loading

4. Pool, denature, and dilute libraries

- Prepare a fresh dilution of 0.2 N NaOH by mixing
 - 200 uL 1.0 N NaOH
 - 800 uL nuclease free water
- Dilute samples to 2.0 nM and combine in the desired ratio
- In a 1.7 mL tube, combine
 - 5 uL 2.0 nM library
 - 5 uL 0.2 N NaOH
- Briefly vortex and quick spin down (280 x g for 1 min)
- Incubate at room temp for at least 5 min
- Add 990 uL chilled HT1
- Sample library is at 10 pM in HT1 with 1mM NaOH

5. Clean flow cell

- Remove flow cell from MiSeq Reagent Kit Box 2 of 2 (4 C), handle by the edges
- Wash flow cell with water
- Carefully clean glass surface with lens paper
- Repeat until surface is free of smudges
- Wrap in lens paper until needed

6. Load cartridge and start run (load within 1 hour of denaturing samples)

- Flip cartridge 10x to ensure proper mixing
- Using a 1000 uL tip, poke open the hole for the sample
- Load 600 uL sample (avoid air bubbles), gently tap cartridge so libraries pool at bottom
- Follow the on-screen directions to insert the flow cell, reagent cartridge, and PR2 bottle

7. Post-run wash (perform ASAP, within 24 hours of run completion)

- After the run, discard waste, reagent cartridge and PR2 bottle
 - Formamide must be removed from the reagent cartridge (Well #8)
- Fill an empty PR2 bottle with 500 mL 0.5% Tween 20:
 - 25 mL 10% Tween 20
 - 475 MilliQ water
- From PR2 bottle, put 5 mL of 0.5% Tween 20 into each well of the wash tray
- Load wash tray, wash bottle, and waste bottle
- Start post-run wash

Sample details:

- Final library concentration should be ~10 pM
- Cluster density should be ~1000-1200

Kit details:

Box	Ref	Lot	Exp
1			
2			