# **Colony PCR**

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**Protocol**:

# Find GoTaq protocol??

1. Prepared a 163.2 μL colony PCR reaction master mix with the following components:

Component	Volume	
GoTaq concentration?	60 μL	
Forward primer	1.6 µL	
Reverse primer	1.6 μL	
Nuclease-free water	80 μL	
Total	163.2μL	

- 2. Pipetted 20 µL master mix into 8 PCR tubes
- 3. Identified 8 colonies on the pRH plate circled each one with Sharpie
- 4. Swabbed each colony with a different sterile toothpick and swirled it in their respective PCR tube
- 5. Amplified the DNA in each 20  $\mu$ L reaction with a thermocycler using the following conditions:

Step	Temperature	Time	Number of cycles
Initial denaturation	98 °C	2 min	<mark>1</mark>
Denaturation	98 °C	30 sec	<mark>30</mark>
Annealing	57 °C	30 sec	<mark>30</mark>
Extension	72 °C	39 sec	<mark>30</mark>
Final extension	72 °C	2 min	<mark>1</mark>
Hold	10 °C	Forever	_

**Results:** N/A

**Conclusion:** N/A

# **Colony PCR Gel Purification (what exactly are you purifying?)**

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### **Protocol**:

- 1. Prepared a 1% agarose running gel:
  - a. Added 0.25 g of agarose to 25 mL 1X TBE in an Erlenmeyer flask
  - b. Heated flask in a microwave in 10 second increments until fully dissolved
  - c. Cooled flask until it was manageable to touch
  - d. Added 3 µL SYBR Safe and swirled the flask to mix
  - e. Poured solution into a gel mold with a comb and left to solidify for 20 minutes
  - f. Removed comb and covered gel cast completely with 1X TBE
- 2. Loaded gel:
  - a. Loaded 4 µL of 100 bp DNA ladder into the first well
  - b. Loaded 20 μL colony PCR product into the second well
- 3. Placed gel cast in a blueGel electrophoresis system and left the sample to run for 30 minutes
- 4. 15 minutes after loading the 100 bp DNA ladder, a 1kb ladder was loaded into the same well

#### **Results:**

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#### **Conclusion:**

3 and 4 have faint bands

7& 8 have bright bands — means that the colony PCR was a success — the bands mean that our primers landed inside of the bacteria which means that the insert is in the bacteria somewhere — primers should only bind to the insert.

#### E. coli Inoculation

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### **Protocol**:

- 1. Prepared 4 liquid cultures each with 3 μL (are you sure its micro?) LB-ampicillin media
- 2. Swabbed colonies 3, 4, 7, and 8 with a different sterile toothpick and dropped it into their respective liquid culture
- 3. Incubated all 4 cultures at 37 °C and shook at 200 rpm overnight (18-20 hours?)

Results: N/A If there's a control, there should be no bacteria in the culture tube. This is quality assurance of the culture. The culture was not contaminated? Was there growth in the liquid cultures & checked May 3

**Conclusion:** N/A

Did you turn on a Bunsen burner while performing the inoculation?

Did you reflame the bottles and caps?

Supposed to reflame the culture tube and cap as well

Was there a negative control?