Rps10 metabarcoding primer ordering and mixing protocol

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This protocol is used to prepare PCR primers for the rps10 locus for metabarcoding.

Ordering rps10 locus-specific primers

Both the rps10 forward and reverse primer binding sites have SNPs. To reduce the amount of primer degeneracy in the rps10 locus-specific PCR reaction it is advisable to order multiple specific oligo sequences for the reverse primer sequences rather than ordering oligos with IUPAC ambiguity codes. Using the IUPAC code Y (C,T) for the rps10_F_Conserved oligo is optional but simplifies the primer mixture step.

Rps10 locus-specific forward primers

Primer name	Forward Primer sequence (5' -> 3')	
rps10_F_Conserved	${\tt TCGTCGGCAGCGTCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG^1\ GTTGGTTAGAGYAAAAGACT^2}$	
rps10_F2_Conserved	TCGTCGGCAGCGTCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG GTTGGTTAGAGTAGAAGACT	
¹ before space = Forward 5' Illumina overhang adapter sequence		
2 after space = Rps10 locus-specific forward primer		

Rps10 locus-specific reverse primers

Primer name	Forward Primer sequence $(5' -> 3')$
rps10_R1	${\tt GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG^1ATGCTTAGAAAGATTTGAACT^2}$
$rps10_R2$	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATACTTAGAAAGATTTGAACT
$rps10_R3$	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCTTAGAAAGACTTGAACT
$rps10_R4$	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCTTAGAAAGACTCGAACT
$rps10_R5$	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCCTAGAAAGACTCGAACT
$rps10_R6$	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGTTTAGAAAGATTCGAACT
$rps10_R7$	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCTTAGAAAGATTCGAACT

before space = Reverse 5' Illumina overhang adapter sequence

Rps10 locus-specific primer mixture

Reagent	Volume	Final conc.
rps10_F_Conserved (100µM)	8.0μL	$4.0 \mu \mathrm{M}^2$
$rps10_F2_Conserved (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
$rps10_R1 (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
$rps10_R2 (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
$rps10_R3 (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
$rps10_R4 (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
$rps10_R5 (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
$rps10_R6 (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
$rps10_R7 (100\mu M)$	$4.0 \mu L$	$2.0 \mu \mathrm{M}$
TE buffer ³	$160.0 \mu L$	NA
TOTAL	$200.0 \mu L$	NA

We ordered the Rps10 locus-specific oligos from Life technologies

² after space = Rps10 locus-specific reverse primer

 $^{^2}$ The two primers represented by rps10_F_Conserved each have a final concentration of 2.0 μ M

³ The TE Buffer (Tris-EDTA) is a 1X Solution, pH 8.0, Molecular Biology Grade (Cat. No. BP2473100)