

# 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	TCGTCGGCAGCGTCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG <sup>1</sup> GTTGGTTAGAGYAAAAGACT <sup>2</sup>
rps10_F2_Conserved	TCGTCGGCAGCGTCAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG GTTGGTTAGAGTAGAAGACT

<sup>1</sup> before space = Forward 5' Illumina overhang adapter sequence

<sup>2</sup> after space = Rps10 locus-specific forward primer

## Rps10 locus-specific reverse primers

Primer name	Reverse Primer sequence (5' -> 3')
rps10_R1	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG <sup>1</sup> ATGCTTAGAAAAGATTTGAACT <sup>2</sup>
rps10_R2	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATACTTAGAAAAGATTTGAACT
rps10_R3	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCTTAGAAAAGACTTGAAC
rps10_R4	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCTTAGAAAAGACTCGAACT
rps10_R5	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCCTAGAAAAGACTCGAACT
rps10_R6	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGTTTAGAAAAGATTTCGAACT
rps10_R7	GTCTCGTGGGCTCGGAGATGTGTATAAGAGACAG ATGCTTAGAAAAGATTTCGAACT

<sup>1</sup> before space = Reverse 5' Illumina overhang adapter sequence

<sup>2</sup> after space = Rps10 locus-specific reverse primer

## Rps10 locus-specific primer mixture

Reagent	Volume	Final conc.
rps10_F_Conserved (100µM)	8.0µL	4.0µM <sup>2</sup>
rps10_F2_Conserved (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
rps10_R1 (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
rps10_R2 (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
rps10_R3 (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
rps10_R4 (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
rps10_R5 (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
rps10_R6 (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
rps10_R7 (100µM)	4.0µL	2.0µM
TE buffer <sup>3</sup>	160.0µL	NA
TOTAL	200.0µL	NA

<sup>1</sup> We ordered the Rps10 locus-specific oligos from Life technologies

<sup>2</sup> The two primers represented by rps10\_F\_Conserved each have a final concentration of 2.0µM

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