

NIH Project Design

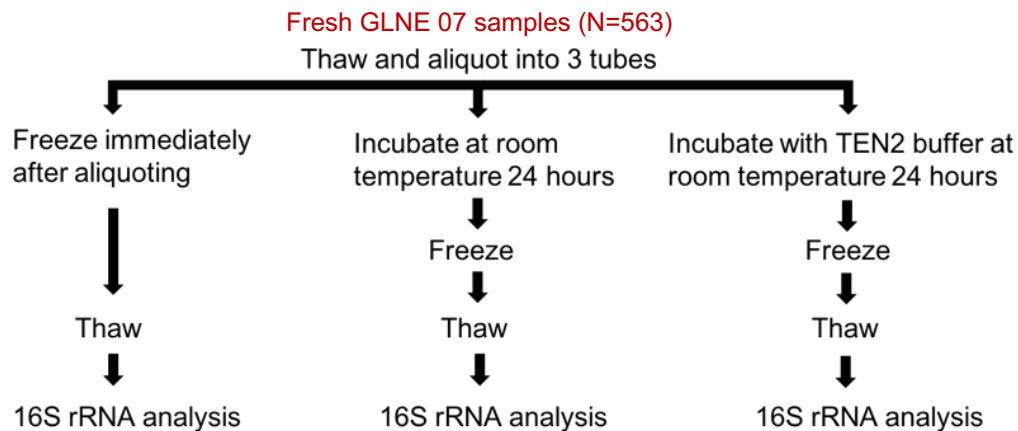
Test the biases in the microbial community due to the stool preservation buffer and incubation time at different temperatures during the transit of the sample.

- We will test this using a fresh copy of GLNE007. We have 563 GLNE007 samples. This experiment will use the full set.

1. Native stool samples:

- Thaw the samples.
- Upon thaw, an aliquot will be DNA extracted. This is our T0 community(1).
- Another aliquot will be mixed with preservation buffer using a pre-defined distribution and protocol. This will be incubated at room temp in **an icebox for 24 (the appendices Pat sent me show that slurry is not stored in an icepack)** and then DNA extracted. This is our Tf wet community.
- Another aliquot will be incubated at room temp in an icebox for 24h and then DNA extracted. This is our Tf dry community.
- We will compare different conditions to one another
- **(The incubations experiments are done for native samples)**

Approach



Each sequencing run has similar distribution of diagnosis, gender and sample treatment.

2. FIT samples:

- Another aliquot will be used to make 4 FIT technical replicates to be tested as shown in diagram.
- We need to decide on time and temperature conditions.

