***STRS*: Spatial Total RNA-Sequencing via in situ poly(A)-tailing**

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Materials/Reagents

* Yeast PAP (Thermo Scientific, cat #74225Z25KU)
  + Comes with 5X Yeast PAP reaction buffer
* 40U/ul Protector RNase Inhibitor (Millipore-Sigma, cat #3335399001)
* Nuclease-free H2O
* Visium Spatial Gene Expression Kit

Buffers

***Yeast PAP Enzyme Mix****:*

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|  | **Final Conc.** | **Volume to add** | | |
|  | 1 RXN | 4.4 RXNs  (1 slide + 10%) | 8.8 RXNs  (2 slides + 10%) |
| 5X Yeast PAP reaction buffer | **1X** | 15ul | 66ul | 132ul |
| Yeast PAP | **0.25M** | 3ul | 13.2ul | 26.4ul |
| 25mM ATP | **1%** | 1.5ul | 6.6ul | 13.2ul |
| Protector | **1.6U/ul** | 3ul | 13.2ul | 26.4ul |
| H2O | **--** | 52.5ul | 231ul | 462ul |
| **Total Volume** | **--** | **75ul** | **330ul** | **660ul** |

***1X Wash Buffer****:*

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|  | **Final Conc.** | **Volume to add** | | |
|  | 1 RXN | 4.4 RXNs  (1 slide + 10%) | 8.8 RXNs  (2 slides + 10%) |
| 5X Yeast PAP reaction buffer | **1X** | 20ul | 88ul | 176ul |
| Protector | **0.8U/ul** | 2ul | 8.8ul | 17.6ul |
| H2O | **--** | 78ul | 343.2ul | 686.4ul |
| **Total Volume** | **--** | **100ul** | **440ul** | **880ul** |

Protocol

1. Section onto Visium Gene Expression slide according to protocols from 10x Genomics.
2. Fix, stain, and image tissue according to Visium protocol (“Step 1: Tissue Staining & Imaging”).
3. Prepare appropriate volumes of **Yeast PAP Enzyme Mix** and **1X Wash Buffer**.
4. Set the thermocycler to 37°C, with the lid also set to 37°C (Step 2.1.a)
5. Place the slide into the Slide Cassette (See Visium protocol for “Tips and Best Practices”).
6. Add **100ul** of **1X Wash Buffer** to each well to equilibrate tissue. Incubate at room temperature for 30sec.
7. Remove and discard buffer from each well.
8. Add **75ul** of **Yeast PAP Enzyme Mix**.
9. Place slide onto the Thermocycler Adaptor and incubate with the lid closed at 37°C for 25min.
10. Remove and discard enzyme mix from each well. Proceed directly to Step 2.1.c to permeabilize tissue, and follow the standard Visium protocol to completion.

Usage Notes

* Add the wash buffer and yPAP enzyme mix slowly and to the sides of each reaction chamber. Make sure the tissue sections are covered by each buffer. Make sure the reaction chambers are sealed during the 37oC incubation
* Keep the thermocycler set to 37oC after the polyadenylation step for the Visium protocol.