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Integration of a landing pad brick

In 1 collection

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SEGA

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ABSTRACT

SEGA, the Standardized Genome Engineering Architecture, is a comprehensive strain collection that enables genome engineering by combining only two reagents: a DNA fragment that can be ordered from a commercial vendor and a stock solution of bacterial cells followed by incubation on agar plates. Recombinant genomes are identified by visual inspection using green-white colony screening akin to classical blue-white screening for recombinant plasmids. The modular nature of SEGA allows precise multi-level control of transcriptional, translational, and post-translational regulation. The SEGA architecture simultaneously supports increased standardization of genetic designs and a broad application range by utilizing well-characterized parts optimized for robust performance in the context of the bacterial genome

This protocol describes the process of integrating a SEGA landing pad brick. A landing pad brick is integrated using *tetA* positive selection. This protocol also applies to integration of other bricks using *tetA* positive selection, e.g. complementation of split *tetA*.

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BEFORE STARTING

Transform a SEGA strain with pSIM19 (Spectinomycin resistance). From now on cultures have to be kept at **30 °C** to retain the plasmid (temperature-sensitive *ori*)

preculture and DNA fragment- Day 1

1d

1d

- 1 Prepare a PCR product of the landing pad brick and purify it from an agarose gel.
- 2 Setup a preculture of the strain with pSIM19 in LB medium supplemented with Spectinomycin **0.05 mg/ml** **250 rpm, 30°C overnight**

Recombineering- Day 2

1d

- 3 Prepare:
 - 3.1 Cold sterile water
 - 3.2 Cold Glycerol **15 % volume**
 - 3.3 Pre-chilled centrifuge and tabletop centrifuge to **4 °C**
 - 3.4 LB agar plates supplemented with **0.025 mg/ml** or **0.05 mg/ml** Tetracycline

Using **0.0025 mg/ml** tetracycline will increase chances to get positive colonies in case of difficult to integrate constructs. However, less background is to be expected at higher tetracycline concentrations


- 4 Inoculate **50 mL** LB-Medium supplemented with Spectinomycin (**0.05 mg/ml**) with **500 µl** of the preculture from step 3

4.1 Incubate at  **250 rpm, 30°C** until cultures reached an OD₆₀₀ of 0.5

5 Induce expression by transferring the culture to a shaking water bath at  **150 rpm, 42°C, 00:20:00**

6 Transfer culture to prechilled  **50 mL** falcon tubes and put on ice for  **00:15:00** 15m

7 Spin the culture down at  **4000 x g, 4°C, 00:05:00** and discard the supernatant 5m

8 Add  **1 mL** of ice cold water, resuspend and transfer to a 1.5 ml tube





9 Spin at  **11000 x g, 4°C, 00:00:30** in a tabletop centrifuge 30s

10 Wash pellet twice with  **1 mL** ice cold water  **go to step #9**


11 Resuspend the pellet in  **600 µl** cold glycerol ( **15 % volume**)

11.1 Unused cells can be stored at  **-80 °C**

This is not possible for *E. coli* Nissle

12 Electroporate  **50 µl** of cells with  **200 ng** of purified PCR product from step 2 or  **2 µl** of  **100 Micromolar (µM)** single stranded oligonucleotide

13 Recover cells  **800 rpm, 30°C, 01:00:00** in a tabletop shaker using SOC medium

Cells can be recovered at  **37 °C** if it is the last step of recombination and pSIM19 is no longer needed in the cells

- 14 Plate cells on LB agar plates supplemented with [M]0.025 mg/ml or [M]0.05 mg/ml Tetracycline

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- 15 Incubate at ⚡ 30 °C for ⌚ 24:00:00 up to ⌚ 48:00:00

3d

Cells can be incubated at ⚡ 37 °C if it is the last step of recombination and pSIM19 is no longer needed in the cells

Screening- Day 3-4

1d

- 16 Screen for positive colonies by "green-white screening" on a blue-light table and perform colony PCR on the fluorescent colonies to identify the correct recombinants

Streaking out of the colonies at least twice is necessary to ensure a clean culture