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Zymo Protocol

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ABSTRACT

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1-Step PCR

- 1 Set up a master mix according to the table below:

Component	Volume/Reaction
Equalase™ qPCR Premix	10 µl
ZymoBIOMICS™ DNase/RNase Free Water	4 µl
Total	14 µl

- 2 For each reaction, add 14 µl of the master mix to the appropriate wells of a 96-well real-time PCR plate. A sample of the plate setup can be found on the next page and on the Plate Setup Guide.

- 3 Index Primer Addition:

- If using V3-V4 Index Primer Sets 1, 2, 3, or 4, pierce the foil and add 4 µl of the appropriate Index Primer V4R ZT7XX and Index Primer V3F ZT5XX combination to the proper wells of the PCR plate as indicated in the diagram below.
- If using V3-V4 Index Primer Set 5, add 2 µl of i7 index primer and 2 µl of i5 index primer from the appropriate tubes.

Index Primers V4R ZT7xx														
		ZT701	ZT702	ZT703	ZT704	ZT705	ZT706	ZT707	ZT708	ZT709	ZT710	ZT711	ZT712	
		1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	
Index Primers V3F ZT5xx	ZT501	A	S1	S9	S17	S25	S33	S41	S49	S57	S65	S73	S81	S89*
	ZT502	B	S2	S10	S18	S26	S34	S42	S50	S58	S66	S74	S82	S90*
	ZT503	C	S3	S11	S19	S27	S35	S43	S51	S59	S67	S75	S83	S91*
	ZT504	D	S4	S12	S20	S28	S36	S44	S52	S60	S68	S76	S84	S92*
	ZT505	E	S5	S13	S21	S29	S37	S45	S53	S61	S69	S77	S85	S93*
	ZT506	F	S6	S14	S22	S30	S38	S46	S54	S62	S70	S78	S86	S94*
	ZT507	G	S7	S15	S23	S31	S39	S47	S55	S63	S71	S79	S87	POS**
	ZT508	H	S8	S16	S24	S32	S40	S48	S56	S64	S72	S80	S88	NEG***

* S89-94 should be reserved for qPCR standards if absolute quantification is desired.

** POS: The **ZymoBIOMICS™ Microbial Community DNA Standard**¹ (included in kit) as a positive control.

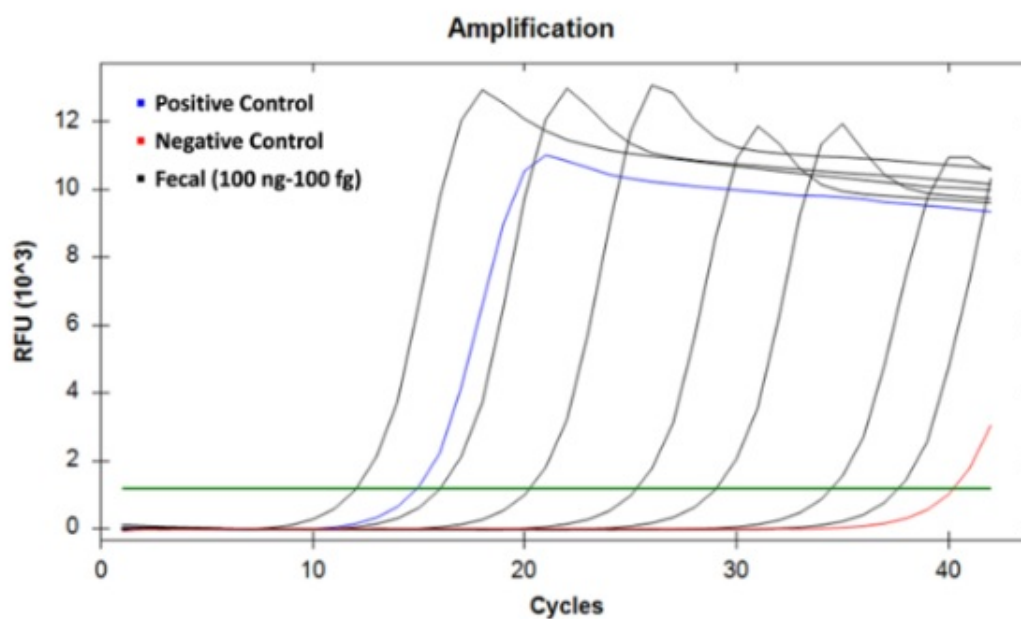
*** NEG: A no template control as a negative control.

- 4 (Optional): If absolute quantification by real-time PCR is desired, add 2 µl of the serially diluted qPCR standard to the 6 wells highlighted above; S89-S94. Refer to Appendix A for more details.
- 5 Add 2 µl of your DNA samples to individual wells. Include a positive and negative control in the plate.
- 6 Apply an adhesive PCR plate seal. Mix the plate on a plate shaker and centrifuge in a plate spinner.
- 7 Place plate in a real-time thermocycler¹ and run the program shown below:

Temperature	Time	
95°C	10 min	
95°C	30 sec	} 42 cycles
55°C	30 sec	
72°C	3 min	
Plate read	-	
4°C	Hold	

8 Monitor and QC the library preparation when running the reaction on a real-time thermocycler.

- For example, a sample that is expected to amplify and shows little or no amplification may indicate an error in the reaction setup (See the Troubleshooting Guide).
- The negative control should not amplify before 35 cycles. Earlier amplification of negative control may indicate process contaminations.
- An example of qPCR amplification with controls is shown in Figure 5 below.



9 Once the samples have cooled to 4°C, stop the program. Centrifuge plate in a plate spinner to collect condensation in wells and place plate on ice. Proceed to step 10, or store plate at ≤-20°C

for later use.

- 10 Add 50 µl of PCR Inactivation Solution into a new microcentrifuge tube. Pool equal volumes (5 µl) of PCR products from each well of the plate from 1-Step PCR Section into the tube and mix well. Skip the wells of S89-S94 if they are used for qPCR standards. Proceed to Final Library Clean-up Section.

Final Library Clean-up

- 11 Equilibrate the Select-a-Size MagBead Buffer to room temperature (15-30°C). Add 30 µl of Select-a-Size MagBead. Concentrate to the 1 ml Select-a-Size MagBead Buffer. Resuspend the magnetic particles by vigorously shaking until homogenous.
- 12 Add Select-a-Size™ MagBeads to the pooled library from Step 10 at a ratio of 0.8x volume. For example, add 400 µl of Select-a-Size™ MagBeads to 500 µl of the pooled library and PCR Inactivation Solution mixture.
- 13 Mix thoroughly by pipetting or vortexing until homogenous. Incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature.
- 14 Place the sample on a magnetic rack and incubate for 3-10 minutes at room temperature, or until the magnetic beads have fully separated from solution. Once the beads have cleared from solution, remove and discard the supernatant.
- 15 While the beads are still on the magnetic rack, add 1 ml of DNA Wash Buffer. Remove and discard the supernatant. Repeat this step.
- 16 While the beads are still on the magnetic rack, aspirate out any residual buffer with a 10 µl pipette tip. Remove tube from the magnetic rack and keep the cap open for 3 minutes at room temperature to dry the beads.
- 17 Add 10-100 µl of ZymoBIOMICS™ DNase/RNase Free Water to the beads and pipette mix thoroughly. Incubate at room temperature for 2 minutes.

- 18** Place the sample on a magnetic rack and incubate for 1 minute at RT, or until the magnetic beads have fully separated from eluate. Transfer supernatant to a clean microcentrifuge tube. Proceed to Section 4.

Library Quantification

- 19** Use a fluorescence-based method (Qubit[®] dsDNA HS Assay Kit recommended) to quantify the final library. Using a final amplicon size of 606 bp, convert ng/μl to nM using the equation below.

$$\frac{\text{concentration in ng/}\mu\text{l}}{660 \text{ g/mol} \times \text{average library size in bp}} \times 10^6 = \text{concentration in nM}$$

For example: 20 ng/μl DNA of the final library is equivalent to 50.0 nM.
If preferred, a qPCR-based method for quantification such as the KAPA[®] Library Quantification kit may be used.