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Abstract

Whole Genome Sequencing (WGS) is an essential technique for understanding the genetic composition of organisms. This protocol describes a cost-effective method for propagating phages from stock, extracting DNA, and preparing sequencing libraries. These libraries are then sequenced using the Illumina iSeq100.

Guidelines

It is essential to follow all required biosafety rules established by respective institutes or organizations.

Materials

PHAGE PROPAGATION AND PURIFICATION

Materials required for "Phage Propagation and Purification"

A	B
Items	Manufacturer
Luria Bertani (LB)	Hi-Media, India
Tryptic Soya Broth (TSB)	Oxoid, United Kingdom
Agar	Merck, Germany
Chloroform	Carl ROTH, USA

Materials required for Phage Propagation and Purification

A	B
Equipment	Supplier
Autoclave	General Supplier
Heat Block	General Supplier
Microcentrifuge tubes	General Supplier
Vortex mixer	General Supplier
Centrifuge machine upto 14000 RCF	General Supplier
p10 pipettes	General Supplier
p100 pipettes	General Supplier
p1000 pipettes	General Supplier
Petri Dish	General Supplier
Filter Tips	General Supplier
Conical Flask	General Supplier

Equipment required for Phage Propagation and Purification

Media Preparation for Propagation and Purification

Preparation of LB Broth:

1. Take 25 g of Luria Bertani media (Hi-Media) in a conical flask.
2. Add distilled water upto 1 L.
3. Adjust the pH to 7.5±0.2.
4. Mix the solution thoroughly to ensure homogeneity.
5. Sterilize by autoclaving the media at 121°C for 15 min.
6. Allow the autoclaved media to cool to room temperature.

7. Store it at 4°C.

Preparation of Tryptic Soya Agar Plates (1.5% TSA plates):

1. Take 30 g Tryptone Soya Broth powder (Oxoid, UK) in a conical flask.
2. Add 15 g Agar (Merck) into the same conical flask.
3. Add distilled water upto 1 L.
4. Adjust the pH to 7.3±0.2.
5. Mix the solution thoroughly to ensure homogeneity.
6. Sterilize by autoclaving the media at 121°C for 15 min.
7. Allow the autoclaved media to cool to 60°C - 65°C.
8. Slowly pour 30 mL media into a petri dish and let it cool until solidified.
9. Keep the plates overnight at room temperature to observe any microbial growth before using them.

Preparation of Soft Tryptic Soya Agar (0.7% TSA):

1. Take 30 g Tryptone Soya Broth powder (Oxoid, UK) in a conical flask.
2. Add 7 g Agar (Merck) into the same conical flask.
3. Add distilled water upto 1 L.
4. Adjust the pH to 7.3±0.2.
5. Mix the solution thoroughly to ensure homogeneity.
6. Sterilize by autoclaving the media at 121°C for 15 min.
7. Allow the autoclaved media to cool to room temperature.
8. Store it at 4°C.

EXTRACTION OF PHAGE GENOMIC DNA

Reagents and equipment required for "Extraction of Phage genomic DNA"

A	B
Item Name	Manufacturer
DNase I 250U [cat: E1009-A]	Zymo Research, USA
DNA Digestion Buffer [cat: E1010-1-4]	Zymo Research, USA
Monarch RNase [cat: 3018-2]	New England Biolabs, USA
Proteinase K [cat: D3001-2-B]	Zymo Research, USA
Proteinase K Storage Buffer [cat: D3001-2-G]	Zymo Research, USA
EDTA [cat: 15575-038]	GIBCO, Invitrogen Corporation, USA
Molecular Grade Water	Hi-Media, India
Molecular Grade Ethanol	Merck, Germany
QIAamp DNA minikit [cat: 51306]	Qiagen, Germany

Reagents required for Phage genomic DNA Extraction

A	B
Equipments	Supplier
Heat Block	General Supplier
Adjustable pipettes	General Supplier
Vortex mixer	General Supplier
Mini centrifuge	General Supplier
Centrifuge machine upto 14000 RCF	General Supplier
1.5 mL Microcentrifuge Tube	General Supplier

Equipments required for Phage genomic DNA Extraction

Reagent Preparation for phage gDNA Extraction

Preparation of 1 U/μL of DNase I

1. Add 250 μL of DNase/RNase-free water to the lyophilized 250 U DNase I, and mix by gentle inversion to make 1 U/μL DNase I.

Avoid phosphate buffer and calcium chelators.

1. Store at -20°C.

Preparation of 20 mg/mL of Proteinase K

1. Take 1 mL of Proteinase K Storage Buffer and add to the 20 mg of lyophilized Proteinase K.
2. Mix by gentle inversion. Store it at -20°C.

Preparation of AW1 and AW2 of QIAamp DNA minikit

1. Add 25 mL of 99% ethanol to the bottle containing 19 mL Buffer AW1 concentrate.
2. Add 30 mL of 99% ethanol to the bottle containing 13 mL Buffer AW2 concentrate.
3. Keep both buffers at room temperature.

LIBRARY PREPARATION & PHAGE GENOME SEQUENCING

Materials required for "Phage Genome Sequencing"

A	B
Item Name	Manufacturer
Qubit™ 1x dsDNA High Sensitivity HR and Broad Range BR Assay Kits (Q33231)	Invitrogen, Thermofisher Scientific, USA
Qubit™ Assay Tubes (Q32856)	Invitrogen, Thermofisher Scientific, USA
NEBNext Ultra II FS DNA Library prep kit (E7805L)	New England BioLabs, USA
NEBNext® Multiplex Oligo for Illumina® (Adapters) (E6612A)	New England BioLabs, USA

A	B
NEBNext® Multiplex Oligos for Illumina® (Buffer) (E7762AA)	New England BioLabs, USA
NEBNext® UltraTM II Q5® Master Mix (M0544L)	New England BioLabs, USA
User Enzyme (M5505L)	New England BioLabs, USA
IDT i5/i7 primers	Integrated DNA Technologies, USA
Beckman Coulter AMPure XP (A63881)	Beckman Coulter, USA
PhiX Control v3	Illumina Inc, USA
HyClone HyPure Molecular Biology Grade Water	GE Healthcare Life Sciences, USA
Molecular Grade Ethanol	Merck, Germany

Items required for Phage Genome Sequencing

A	B
Equipment	Supplier
Adjustable pipettes	General lab supplier
Magnetic rack	General lab supplier
Vortex	General lab supplier
Mini centrifuge	General lab supplier
Refrigerator (4° - 8°C, -20°C and -70°C)	General lab supplier
Thermal Cycler (PCR machine)	General lab supplier
iSeq 100 sequencer	Illumina Inc, USA
Qubit 3 Fluorometer	Thermofisher Scientific, USA
Nanodrop One C	Thermofisher Scientific, USA
iSeq 100 v2 reagent cartridge	Illumina Inc, USA
iSeq 100 v2 flow cell	Illumina Inc, USA
Eppendorf Safe-Lock Tubes, PCR clean	Eppendorf, Merck, Germany
15 mL falcon tube	Tarson Products Limited, India
0.2 mL PCR Tube with Flat Caps	ExtraGene, Taiwan
Dual-filter tips	General lab supplier

Equipment required for Phage Genome Sequencing



Safety warnings

! Laboratory personnel trained in proper microbiology techniques are required.

Before start

All pipettes, tips and centrifuge tubes in the assay must be sterile and DNase/RNase-free. To prevent contamination, filtered tips are required and should be replaced after each reagent or sample is added.

- All workbench, hood surfaces, and supplies should be cleaned and disinfected regularly using 10% bleach and then 70% ethanol before and after completing an assay.
- Before beginning each assay, each component must be thawed and briefly centrifuged. Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- Dispose of waste in compliance with institutional and local regulations.



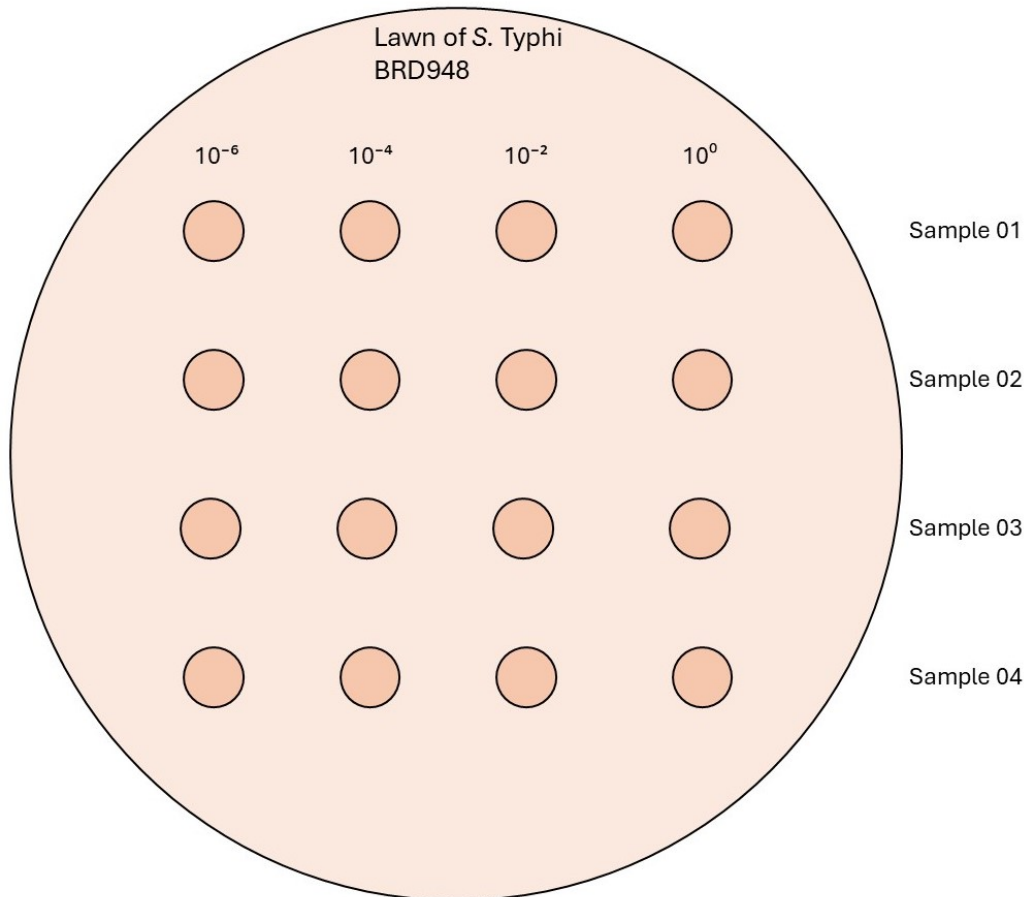
Phage Propagation and Purification

1 Phage Propagation

Spotting of phages, co-cultures preparation, and DLA lawning

- 1.1 Melt soft TSA (0.7% agar) and aliquot 4 mL molten TSA in a screw-cap tube. Equilibrate the temperature between 56°C - 60°C to avoid agar solidification and damaging bacterial cells.
- 1.2 Following the Double-Layer Agar (DLA) method, add 200 µL of overnight grown *Salmonella* Typhi BRD948 culture to the 4 mL molten TSA tube and pour it on a TSA plate (1.5% agar). Let the plate solidify for 30 - 60 minutes at room temperature.
- 1.3 Make dilutions of the phage stock (10^{-2} , 10^{-4} , 10^{-6}) and spot 2 µL from each dilution including the undiluted phage stock (10^0) on the prepared plate of *Salmonella* Typhi BRD948 culture (**step 1.2**). Incubate the plates for 16-18 hours at 37°C.





Schematic workflow for spotting phage stock and dilutions

After incubation, observe the plate for lysis formation and record the number of plaques.

- 1.4 The dilution that creates an uncountable number of plaques is denoted as TNTC (Too numerous to count) around the spotted zone, but not a clear zone, is the targeted dilution needed for the next step. This is in between a single plaque-forming spot and a full lysed-forming spot (This dilution is required to form "webbed" confluent lysed plates).

Note

"Webbed" confluent lysed plates are densely packed confluent plaques (live phage) with only a "web" of bacteria, left between them.

- 1.5 Prepare a Co-Culture by adding 50 μ L phage volume from targeted dilution to 200 μ L *Salmonella* Typhi BRD948 overnight liquid culture. Incubate for 20 minutes at room temperature for host-phage attachment.





- 1.6 Add the Co-Culture (250 μ L) into a 4 mL soft TSA tube (molten and equilibrated at 56°C - 60°C) and pour on a TSA plate (1.5% agar). Incubate the plates at 37°C for 16-18 hours.
- 1.7 After incubation, observe the plates for "webbed" confluent Lysed Plates.

Note

If "webbed" confluent lysis is not observed, repeat the above steps with dilution.

- If a "Full Lysis Plate" is observed, repeat **steps 1.5-1.7** by INCREASING the phage dilution.
- If a "Single Plaques Plate" is observed, repeat **steps 1.5-1.7** DECREASING the phage dilution.

2 Purification of Propagated Phages

- 2.1 Upon observation of the "webbed" confluent lysed plate, pour 4 mL of chilled LB (4°C) over the plate followed by incubation at 4°C for 4 hours.
- 2.2 Dislodge the top agar (using a sterile glass scrapper or a bent tip) and transfer 2 mL of the mixture into a new microcentrifuge tube using a pipette.
- 2.3 Add 4 drops of chloroform, vortex for 20 seconds, and rest for 10 minutes at room temperature.
- 2.4 Centrifuge at 10000 rcf for 10 minutes at room temperature.
- 2.5 Transfer 1 - 1.5 mL supernatant into a fresh microcentrifuge tube without disturbing the pellet. Label the tube and keep it at 4°C for downstream experiments.

Note

The supernatant contains active phage and bacterial DNA.

Extraction of Phage genomic DNA

3 Removal of Bacterial DNA and RNA



- 3.1 Prepare enzyme mix containing 50 μL DNA Digestion Buffer, 1 μL DNase I (1U/ μL), and 0.5 μL RNase A (20mg/mL). Add the enzyme mix to 450 μL propagated phage from **step 2.5**. Incubate at 37°C for 1.5 hours. **Do not shake or vortex.**
- 3.2 After incubation, add 20 μL 0.5 M EDTA (final concentration 20 mM) to deactivate the enzymes. Incubate at room temperature for 10 minutes.

4 Digestion of Phage Protein

- 4.1 Add 1.25 μL Proteinase K (20 mg/mL). Incubate at 56°C for 1.5 hours. **Do not shake or vortex.**

This is "Phage Lysate".

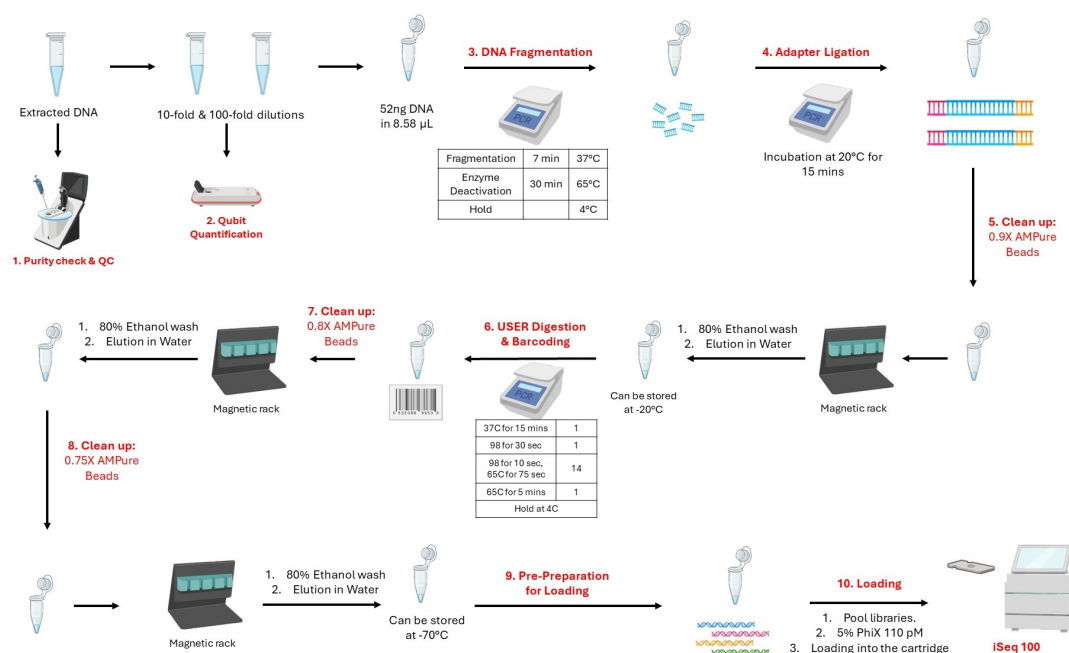
5 Phage gDNA purification

- 5.1 Add 200 μL AL buffer to 200 μL of the Phage Lysate from **step 4.1** and vortex the mixture. Incubate the mixture at 70°C for 10 minutes.
- 5.2 Let the tube cool to room temperature, add 200 μL ice-cold ethanol (99%), and vortex the mixture.
- 5.3 Transfer the mixture into the spin column, and centrifuge at 8000 rcf for 1 minute.
- 5.4 Discard the filtrate, add 500 μL AW1 buffer into the spin column, and centrifuge at 8000 rcf for 1 minute.
- 5.5 Discard the filtrate, add 500 μL AW2 buffer into the spin column, and centrifuge at 14000 rcf for 3 minutes.
- 5.6 Discard the filtrate and centrifuge for 1 minute at 14000 rpm to avoid carryover.
- 5.7 Transfer the spin column to a microcentrifuge tube and add 30 μL AE buffer. Incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature and centrifuge for 2 minutes at 8000 rcf to elute the DNA.
- 5.8 Add the eluted volume into the spin column again, and centrifuge for 2 minutes at 8000 rcf to elute a higher concentration of phage DNA.

- 5.9 Measure the DNA concentration using Qubit Fluorometer or Nanodrop (described below).
- 5.10 Analyze the DNA using 0.8% agarose gel by loading 5 μ L DNA sample to check the quality of the extracted genomic DNA.
- 5.11 The eluted phage DNA can be stored at -20°C until library preparation.

Workflow of Phage Genome Sequencing

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Summary of steps involved in whole genome sequencing of phage DNA

Quantification and Normalization

- 7 **Normalization** before library preparation ensures an equivalent representation of the sample amount for downstream reactions, reducing biases from sequencing depth and technical variations for accurate genomic analysis. The eluted phage DNA is serially diluted for accurate concentration measurement on Qubit (quantification). Based on the concentrations, the amount of DNA is normalized to have ~52 ng of DNA in 8.58 μ L volume. The Qubit™ 1X dsDNA High

Sensitivity (HS) and Broad Range (BR) Assay Kits do **Quantification** for double-stranded DNA (dsDNA).

- 7.1 Bring the reagents and buffer to room temperature 30 minutes before the experiment.
- 7.2 Prepare working solutions (reagents and buffer mix) for both standards and eluted phage DNA.
- 7.3 The final volume in each tube must be 100 μ L. For each standard, 95 μ L of the working solution is required while 99 μ L is required for each DNA sample.
- 7.4 For Standards, take 95 μ L of the working solution in 2 tubes. Add 5 μ L of each Qubit standard to appropriate tubes, vortex, and spin them shortly.
- 7.5 For samples, take 99 μ L of the working solution in N tubes (*N is the number of phage samples*). Add 1 μ L of 100-fold diluted DNA to appropriate working solution tubes; vortex, and spin them shortly.
- 7.6 Incubate the tubes in **the dark** for 2 minutes.
- 7.7 Measure the standards and samples in the Qubit Fluorometer under the High Sensitivity Range
- 7.8 Calculate the concentration of 10-fold diluted samples and/or 1-fold tubes from the Qubit results.
Repeat the quantification step (**step 7.5**) with 10-fold diluted tubes if the results for 100-fold diluted tubes read "Too Low."
- 7.9 Calculate the volume of DNA and nuclease-free water required to make a solution of 52 ng of DNA in 8.58 μ L volume. Select the volume and dilution factors that can be used for normalization.

7.10

A	B	C
DNA Quantification (100-fold)	DNA Quantification (10-fold)	DNA Quantification (1-fold)
X	Y	Z
-		
Volume for Normalization (100-fold)	Volume for Normalization (10-fold)	Volume for Normalization (1-fold)
52/X	52/Y	52/Z





A	B	C
-		
Water to make 8.58 μ L	Water to make 8.58 μ L	Water to make 8.58 μ L
8.58 - 52/X	8.58 - 52/Y	8.58 - 52/Z

Volume calculation for Normalization

Library Preparation and Phage Genome Sequencing

8 Fragmentation and End Prep

8.1 Prepare master mix by adding the following reagents to a 0.2 mL PCR tube on ice rack.

A	B
Reagent	Volume (μ L)
NEBNext Ultra II FS Reaction Buffer (YELLOW)	2.31
NEBNext Ultra II FS Enzyme mix (YELLOW)	0.66
Total	2.97

Master mix calculation for fragmentation

8.2 Aliquot 2.97 μ L of the master mix in each tube containing the normalized DNA (8.58 μ L).

Total reaction volume: 11.55 μ L

8.3 Vortex and spin

8.4 Thermocycler program:



A	B	C
PCR Profile		
Step	Time	Temperature
Fragmentation	7 minutes	37°C
Enzyme Deactivation	30 minutes	65°C
Hold	∞	4°C
Lid: 105°C		

9 Adapter Ligation



- 9.1 Combine the following components in a 0.2 mL PCR tube to prepare the master mix (without the adapters):



Adapters were pre-diluted using a buffer.

A	B	C
Reagent	Volume (μL)	Remarks
NEBNext Ultra II Ligation Master Mix (RED)	9.9	Master mix
NEBNext Ligation Enhancer (RED)	0.33	
Total	10.23	
-		
NEBNext Adapter for illumina (1:100)	0.825	Check step 9.3

Master mix calculation for Adapter ligation

- 9.2 Aliquot 10.23 μL of the Adapter ligation master mix directly to the Fragmentation reaction mixture from **step 8.2** (11.55 μL).

- 9.3 Add 0.825 μL adapter separately to avoid the formation of adapter dimers.



Total: 22.6 μL

- 9.4 Briefly vortex and spin the reaction mix

- 9.5 Incubate at 20°C for 15 minutes in a thermocycler with the **heated LID OFF**.



10 Clean-up of Adapter-ligated DNA and Size Selection (0.9X wash)





This step eliminates small untagged DNA fragments and short adapter sequences.

Note

Allow AMPure XP beads to sit at room temperature for 30 minutes before using the clean-up step, and vortex the beads vigorously to form a homogeneous mixture.



- 10.1 Prepare 80% EtOH.
 - 10.2 Use **0.9x ratio** of beads - to - total volume of sample.
 - 10.3 Add 20.34 μ L of AMPure XP beads (0.9x) to Adaptor Ligated products. Mix well by pipetting.
 - 10.4 Incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature.
 - 10.5 Place samples on a magnetic rack and incubate for 5 minutes on the rack.
 - 10.6 Carefully remove the supernatant, without disturbing the beads.
 - 10.7 Add 200 μ L of 80% Ethanol to each sample in the magnetic rack. Incubate at room temperature for 30 seconds then remove Ethanol. 
 - 10.8 Repeat **step 10.7** once more and carefully remove any residual ethanol with a 10 μ L pipette tip.
 - 10.9 Air dry the beads for 5 - 10 minutes while the tubes are on the magnetic rack with cap open. 
- Note**
- **Caution:**
- Do not over-dry the beads. This may result in lower recovery of DNA. Elute the samples when the beads are still dark brown, but when all visible liquid has evaporated. When the beads turn lighter brown and start to crack, they are too dry.
- 10.10 Remove the tube from the magnetic rack. Add 6.95 μ L of nuclease-free water.
 - 10.11 Pipette well to mix and incubate for 2 minutes at room temperature off the magnetic rack.

10.12 Place on a magnetic rack again until the solution is clear (~2 minutes).

10.13 Transfer 4.95 µL of the supernatant (Elution) to a clean nuclease-free PCR tube.

10.14 **Checkpoint:**

Samples can be stored at -20 °C overnight and library preparation should be resumed the next day.



11 USER Digestion and Barcoding

This step uses the USER enzyme to cleave the adaptor at the Uracil region, creating a gap for index primers (barcodes) to bind. In this step, libraries of each sample are tagged with a unique barcode sequence for sample identification which undergoes PCR enrichment.

11.1 Combine the following components in a 0.2 mL sterile PCR tube to prepare the master mix.

A	B	C
Reagent	Volume (µL)	Remarks
USER Enzyme (WHITE)	0.99	Master mix
NEBNext Ultra II Q5 master mix (BLUE)	8.25	
Total	9.24	
-		
5 µM pre-mixed Forward & reverse index primers	3.3	Check step 11.2

Master mix calculation for USER Digestion and Barcoding

11.2 Aliquot 9.24 µL master mix directly to the adaptor-ligated sample tube to the purified adapter-ligated DNA from **step 10.13**.

11.3 Add 3.3 µL (5 µM pre-mixed forward and reverse) index primers separately to each sample tubes.

Total volume: 17.49 µL

11.4 Briefly vortex and spin the reaction mix.

11.5 In a thermocycler run the following program with the heated lid on for PCR enrichment.

11.6 Thermocycler program:

A	B
Thermocycler	Cycles
37 °C for 15 minutes	1
98 °C for 30 seconds	1
98 °C for 10 seconds	14
65 °C for 75 seconds	
65 °C for 5 minutes	1
Hold at 4°C	∞
LID: 105°C	

12 Clean-up of Adapter-ligated DNA and Size Selection (0.8X wash)



This step washes the barcoded DNA by eliminating products < 100 bp.

Note

Allow AMPure XP beads to sit at room temperature for 30 minutes before the clean-up step, and vortex the beads vigorously to form a homogenous mixture.

12.1 Prepare 80% EtOH.

12.2 Use **0.8x ratio** of beads -to -total volume of sample.


12.3 Add 13.99 µL of AMPure XP beads (0.8x) to barcoded products. Mix well by pipetting.

12.4 Incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature.


12.5 Place samples on a magnetic rack and incubate for 5 minutes on the rack.

12.6 Carefully remove the supernatant.



12.7 Add 200 μ L of 80% Ethanol to each sample in the magnetic rack. Incubate at room temperature for 30 seconds then remove Ethanol. 

12.8 Repeat **step 12.7** once for a total of two washes. Carefully remove any residual ethanol with a 10 μ L pipette tip.

12.9 Air dry the beads for 5-10 minutes while on the magnetic rack with the lid open. 

Note

****Caution:**

Do not over-dry the beads. This may result in lower recovery of DNA. Elute the samples when the beads are still dark brown but when all visible liquid has evaporated. When the beads turn lighter brown and start to crack, they are too dry.

12.10 Remove tube from magnetic rack. Add 14.52 μ L of nuclease free water.

12.11 Pipette well to mix and incubate for 2 minutes at room temperature off the magnetic rack.

12.12 Place on a magnetic rack again until the solution is clear (~2 minutes).

12.13 Remove 13.2 μ L of the supernatant (Elution) and transfer to a clean nuclease-free PCR tube.

13 **Clean-up of Adapter-ligated DNA and Size Selection (0.75X wash)**



This step washes the barcoded DNA by eliminating products < 200 bp.

Note

Allow AMPure XP beads to sit at room temperature for 30 minutes before the clean-up step, and vortex the beads vigorously to form a homogenous mixture.

13.1 Prepare 80% EtOH.



- 13.2 Use **0.75x ratio** of beads -to -total volume of sample.
 - 13.3 Add 9.9 μL of AMPure XP beads (0.75x) to barcoded products. Mix well by pipetting.
 - 13.4 Incubate for 5 minutes at room temperature.
 - 13.5 Place samples on a magnetic rack and incubate for 5 minutes on the rack.
 - 13.6 Carefully remove the supernatant.
 - 13.7 Add 200 μL of 80% Ethanol to each sample in the magnetic rack. Incubate at room temperature for 30 seconds then remove the Ethanol.
 - 13.8 Repeat **step 13.7** once for a total of two washes. Carefully remove any residual ethanol with a 10 μL pipette tip.
 - 13.9 Air dry the beads for 5-10 minutes while on the magnetic rack with the lid open.
- Note**
- **Caution:**
- Do not over-dry the beads. This may result in lower recovery of DNA. Elute the samples when the beads are still dark brown but when all visible liquid has evaporated. When the beads turn lighter brown and start to crack, they are too dry.
- 13.10 Remove tube from magnetic rack. Add 11.9 μL of nuclease free water.
 - 13.11 Pipette well to mix and incubate for 2 minutes at room temperature off the magnetic rack.
 - 13.12 Place on a magnetic rack again until the solution is clear (~2 minutes).





13.13 Remove 9.9 μL of the supernatant (Elution) and transfer to a clean nuclease-free PCR tube.

13.14 ****Checkpoint:**
Samples can be stored at $-70\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.



14 Loading on iSeq100

14.1 Quantify each of the libraries and pool 7-10 ng of the libraries into one tube.

14.2 Calculate the volume needed for desired loading concentration of the libraries (110 pM) and dilute the pooled tube accordingly (optional).

14.3 Prepare 5% 110 pM working PhiX.

14.4 Follow the Illumina protocol to thaw and prepare the iSeq 100 cartridge.
[Link](#)

14.5 Load 20 μL diluted library with 5% PhiX in library-loading well of the cartridge.

14.6 Insert the flow cell into the cartridge and load it into the sequencer following the instructions on the instrument.

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