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Native Barcoding (SQK-NBD114) gDNA for Adaptive Sampling using Oxford Nanopore Technologies

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ABSTRACT

This protocol describes how to carry out native barcoding of genomic DNA (gDNA) using the Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 (SQK-NBD114.24) for Adaptive Sampling using Oxford Nanopore Technologies (ONT). Adaptive Sampling is a method of real-time selection of DNA molecules for sequencing and rejection of DNA molecules that are not of interest by reversing the voltage across the pores.

ATTACHMENTS

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GUIDELINES

Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 (SQK-NBD114.24) should only be used in combination with R10.4.1 flow cells

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(FLO-PRO114M). Load 4-5 barcoded samples per flow cell.

For adaptive sampling the following expansion packs are required:

- Sequencing Auxiliary Vials V14 (EXP-AUX003)
- Flow Cell Wash Kit (EXP-WSH004)

Note

IMPORTANT: The Native Adapter (NA) used in this kit and protocol is not interchangeable with other sequencing adapters. The Native Barcode Auxiliary V14 (EXP-NBA114) expansion pack allows unused barcodes to be utilised.

Input DNA recommendations:

Quality check DNA length, quantity and purity before starting. It is important that the input DNA meets the quantity and quality requirements (see ONT notes on input DNA document).

High molecular weight DNA may require shearing prior to adaptive sampling to minimise pore blocking and increase read length N50 (see ONT notes of DNA fragmentation). We perform mechanical DNA fragmentation using Diagenode Megaruptor® 3 DNA shearing kit (and DNAFluid+ kit for viscous samples) to ensure uniform fragment lengths of 12-15 kb.

Shorter fragments are preferentially sequenced compared to longer fragments in a pool, which can be minimised by pooling samples of a similar size so that an equimolar mass of each sample is sequenced. Four-five barcoded libraries may be loaded per flow cell.

6 µg gDNA is enough starting material for fragmentation and two side by side library preparations per sample. This should yield enough library for 3x library loads at the optimal molar quantity of 50 fmol (see ONT notes on adaptive sampling).

Third-party reagents

Oxford Nanopore Technologies have validated and recommend the use of all the third-party reagents used in this protocol. Alternatives have not been tested.

Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 (SQK-NBD114.24) contents

Note

ONT are in the process of reformatting their kits including reducing the concentration of EDTA (see Early Access product [rev P]).

Single-use tubes format with higher EDTA concentration:

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17. Weill Institute for Neuroscience, University of California San Francisco, San Francisco, CA 94143.

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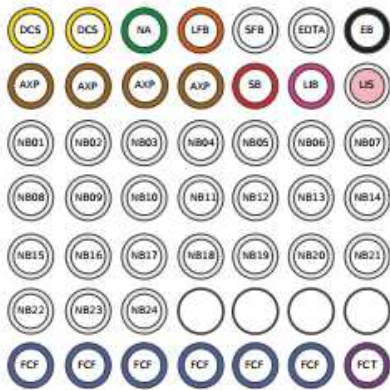
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NA : Native Adapter
SB : Sequencing Buffer
LIB : Library Beads
LIS : Library Solution
EB : Elution Buffer
AXP : AMPure X P Beads
LFB : Long Fragment Buffer
SFB : Short Fragment Buffer
FCF : Flow Cell Flush
FCT : Flow Cell Tether
EDTA : EDTA
DCS : DNA Control Sample
NB01 : Native Barcode 1
NB02 : Native Barcode 2
NB03 : Native Barcode 3
NB04 : Native Barcode 4
NB05 : Native Barcode 5
NB06 : Native Barcode 6
NB07 : Native Barcode 7
NB08 : Native Barcode 8
NB09 : Native Barcode 9
NB10 : Native Barcode 10
NB11 : Native Barcode 11
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NB22 : Native Barcode 22
NB23 : Native Barcode 23
NB24 : Native Barcode 24

A	B	C	D	E
Name	Acronym	Cap colour	No. of vials	Fill volume per vial (µl)
Native Barcodes	NB01-24	Clear	24 (one per barcode)	20
DNA Control Sample	DCS	Yellow	2	35
Native Adapter	NA	Green	1	40
Sequencing Buffer	SB	Red	1	700
Library Beads	LIB	Pink	1	600
Library Solution	LIS	White cap, pink label	1	600
Elution Buffer	EB	Black	1	500
AMPure XP Beads	AXP	Amber	4	1,200
Long Fragment Buffer	LFB	Orange	1	1,800
Short Fragment Buffer	SFB	Clear	1	1,800
EDTA	EDTA	Clear	1	700
Flow Cell Flush	FCF	Blue	6	1,170
Flow Cell Tether	FCT	Purple	1	200

Note

This Product Contains AMPure XP Reagent Manufactured by Beckman Coulter, Inc. and can be stored at - 20°C with the kit without detriment to reagent stability.

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Native barcode sequences:

A	B	C
Component	Forward sequence	Reverse sequence
NB01	CACAAAGACACCGACAACCTTCTT	AAGAAAGTTGTCGGTGTCTTTGTG
NB02	ACAGACGACTACAAACGGAATC	TCGATTCCGTTTGTAGTCGTCTGT
NB03	CCTGGTAACTGGGACACAAGAC	GAGTCTTGTGTCCCAGTTACCAGG
NB04	TAGGGAAACACGATAGAATCCG	TTCCGATTCTATCGTGTTCCTTA
NB05	AAGGTTACACAAACCCTGGACA	CTTGTCAGGGTTTGTGTAACTT
NB06	GACTACTTTCTGCCTTTGCGAG	TTCTCGCAAAGGCAGAAAGTAGTC
NB07	AAGGATTCATTCCACGGTAAC	GTGTTACCGTGGGAATGAATCCTT
NB08	ACGTAACCTGGTTTGTTCCTG	TTCAGGGAACAAACCAAGTTACGT
NB09	AACCAAGACTCGCTGTGCCTAG	AACTAGGCACAGCGAGTCTTGTT
NB10	GAGAGGACAAAGGTTTCAACGC	AAGCGTTGAAACCTTTGTCTCTC
NB11	TCCATTCCCTCCGATAGATGAA	GTTTCATCTATCGGAGGGAATGGA
NB12	TCCGATTCTGCTTCTTTCTACCT	CAGGTAGAAAGAAGCAGAATCGGA
NB13	AGAACGACTTCCATACTCGTGT	TCACACGAGTATGGAAGTCGTTCT
NB14	AACGAGTCTCTTGGGACCCATA	TCTATGGGTCCCAAGAGACTCGTT
NB15	AGGTCTACCTCGCTAACACCAC	CAGTGGTGTTAGCGAGGTAGACCT
NB16	CGTCAACTGACAGTGGTTCGTA	AGTACGAACCACTGTCAGTTGACG
NB17	ACCCTCCAGGAAAGTACCTCTG	ATCAGAGGTACTTTCTGGAGGGT
NB18	CCAAACCCAACAACCTAGATAG	GCCTATCTAGGTTGTTGGGTTTGG
NB19	GTTCTCTGTCAGTGTCAAGAG	ATCTCTTGACACTGCACGAGGAAC
NB20	TTGCGTCCTGTTACGAGAACTC	ATGAGTTCTCGTAACAGGACGCAA
NB21	GAGCCTCTCATTGTCCGTTCTC	TAGAGAACGGACAATGAGAGGCTC
NB22	ACCACTGCCATGTATCAAAGTA	CGTACTTTGATACATGGCAGTGGT
NB23	CTTACTACCCAGTGAACCTCCT	CGAGGAGGTTCACTGGGTAGTAAG
NB24	GCATAGTTCTGCATGATGGGTT	CTAACCCATCATGCAGAACTATGC

Designing an experiment with adaptive sampling

After considering factors like % of the genome to enrich for, read lengths and response time, the next step is to collate the input files needed for an adaptive sampling experiment. These are:

- A genomic reference: this must be a FASTA or a pre-calculated minimap2 index

- A .bed file with the genomic coordinates of the target region/s, including flanking "buffer" regions (see ONT notes on adaptive sampling)

Note that "Buffer" regions are flanking regions added to both sides of every single target described in the .bed file. These regions allow reads which begin with a sequence that does not initially map to the target region, but may extend into the target region, to be accepted. By accepting reads which map into these flanking regions, the number of accepted reads that hit our target is increased. ONT recommend setting the buffer size to the read-N10 of the library (this is point at which 10% of the bases sequenced are from reads that are this length or longer). Having a buffer size that exceeds the length of all reads present in the library will lead to reads being accepted and sequenced that never enter the target region.

Note that if you do not input a .bed file, then the entire FASTA/minimap2 index file will be used for enrichment or depletion.

PromethION 24 computer requirements for adaptive sampling

The PromethION 24 DAU device with 2 x Nvidia Quadro GV100 GPUs allows ≤ 3 positions/flow cells to run with real-time high accuracy basecalling required for adaptive sampling. Exceeding these recommendations may lead to an increased decision time and less enrichment.

Check your PromethION flow cell

Oxford Nanopore Technologies will replace PromethION flow cell/s with <5000 pores when the storage recommendations have been followed, if the check is performed within three months of purchase and the result is reported within two days of performing the flow cell check.

Troubleshooting

Below is a list of the most commonly encountered issues, with some suggested causes and solutions. Also consult the FAQ section available on the Nanopore Community Support section.

For adaptive sampling-specific troubleshooting, refer to the adaptive-sampling-ADS_S1016_v1_revJ_12Nov2020-any document and ONT notes on adaptive sampling.

If issues persists, contact ONT Technical Support (support@nanoporetech.com) by email or use LiveChat in the Nanopore Community.

Issues during DNA/RNA extraction and library preparation for Kit 14:

Low sample quality

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Low DNA purity (Nanodrop reading for DNA OD 260/280 is <1.8 and OD 260/230 is <2.0–2.2)	The DNA extraction method does not provide the required purity	The effects of contaminants are shown in the Contaminants document. Please try an alternative extraction method that does not result in contaminant carryover. Consider performing an additional SPRI clean-up step.

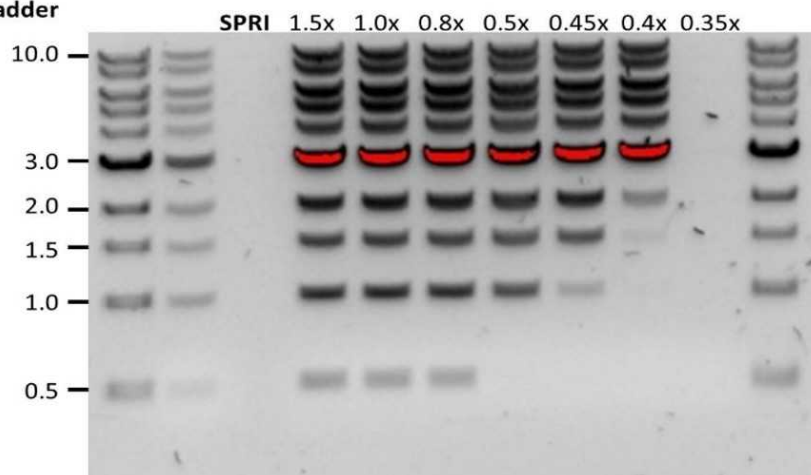
Low DNA recovery after AMPure bead clean-up

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions

A	B	C
Low recovery	DNA loss due to a lower than intended AMPure beads-to-sample ratio	1. AMPure beads settle quickly, so ensure they are well resuspended before adding them to the sample. 2. When the AMPure beads-to-sample ratio is lower than 0.4:1, DNA fragments of any size will be lost during the clean-up.
Low recovery	DNA fragments are shorter than expected	The lower the AMPure beads-to-sample ratio, the more stringent the selection against short fragments. Please always determine the input DNA length on an agarose gel (or other gel electrophoresis methods) and then calculate the appropriate amount of AMPure beads to use.
Low recovery after end-prep	The wash step used ethanol <70%	DNA will be eluted from the beads when using ethanol <70%. Make sure to use the correct percentage

NEB TriDye

1 kb ladder



Issues during the sequencing run for Kit 14:

Fewer pores at the start of sequencing than after Flow Cell Check

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
MinKNOW reported a lower number of pores at the start of sequencing than the number reported by the Flow Cell Check	An air bubble was introduced into the nanopore array	After the Flow Cell Check it is essential to remove any air bubbles near the priming port before priming the flow cell. If not removed, the air bubble can travel to the nanopore array and irreversibly damage the nanopores that have been exposed to air.
	The flow cell is not correctly inserted into the device	Stop the sequencing run, remove the flow cell from the sequencing device and insert it again, checking that the flow cell is firmly seated in the device and that it has reached the target temperature. If applicable, try a different position on the device.

A	B	C
	Contaminations in the library damaged or blocked the pores	The pore count during the Flow Cell Check is performed using the QC DNA molecules present in the flow cell storage buffer. At the start of sequencing, the library itself is used to estimate the number of active pores. Because of this, variability of about 10% in the number of pores is expected. A significantly lower pore count reported at the start of sequencing can be due to contaminants in the library that have damaged the membranes or blocked the pores. Alternative DNA extraction or purification methods may be needed to improve the purity of the input material. See the ONT notes on DNA contaminants document.

MinKNOW script failed

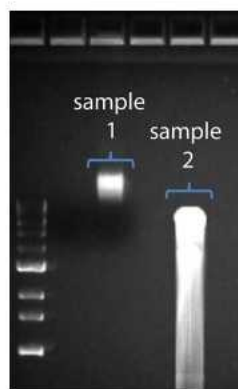
A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
MinKNOW shows "Scriptfailed"	Restart the computer and then restart MinKNOW. If the issue persists, please collect the MinKNOW log files and contact Technical Support. If you do not have another sequencing device available, ONT recommend storing the flow cell and the loaded library at 4°C and contact Technical Support for further storage guidance.	

Pore occupancy below 40%

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Pore occupancy <40%	Not enough library was loaded on the flow cell	50 fmol of good quality library needs to be loaded onto PromethION R10.4.1 flow cells for adaptive sampling. Please quantify the library before loading and calculate the molar quantity using an online weight to molar quantity calculator.
Pore occupancy close to 0	Ethanol was used instead of LFB or SFB at the wash step after sequencing adapter ligation	Ethanol can denature the motor protein on the sequencing adapters. Make sure the LFB or SFB buffer was used after ligation of sequencing adapters.
Pore occupancy close to 0	No tether on the flow cell	Tethers are adding during flow cell priming. Make sure FCT was added to FCF before priming. Be sure to use FCT+FCF using kit 14 chemistry (Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 SQK-NBD114.24 and Sequencing Auxiliary Vials V14 EXP-AUX003).

Shorter than expected read length

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Shorter than expected read length	Unwanted fragmentation of DNA sample	Read length reflects input DNA fragment length. Input DNA can be fragmented during extraction and library prep. 1. Please review the Extraction Methods in the Nanopore Community for best practice for extraction. 2. Visualise the input DNA fragment length distribution on an agarose gel (or Agilent Femto Pulse) before proceeding to the library prep. In the image, Sample 1 is of high molecular weight, whereas Sample 2 has been fragmented. 3. During library prep, avoid pipetting and vortexing when mixing reagents. Flicking or inverting the tube is sufficient.



Large proportion of unavailable pores

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Large proportion of unavailable pores (shown as blue in the channels panel and pore activity plot). The pore activity plot above shows an increasing proportion of "unavailable" pores over time.	Contaminants are present in the sample	Some contaminants can be cleared from the pores by the unblocking function built into MinKNOW. If this is successful, the pore status will change to "sequencing pore". If the proportion of unavailable pores remains large or increases, a nuclease flush using the Flow Cell Wash Kit (EXPWSH004) can be performed.
	Persistent application of the "unblock" voltage reversal mechanism to reject off-target reads during adaptive sampling.	Pore becomes "unavailable" for sequencing (terminally blocked) and over time, as more pores become unavailable, the rate of data acquisition begins to slow. Due to the persistent application of the "unblock" mechanism in adaptive sampling runs (to reject off-target reads), the rate of pores becoming terminally blocked is often higher when compared with conventional runs. This effect can be exacerbated when input fragment lengths are longer. In order to maintain high data outputs with longer read libraries in adaptive sampling runs, ONT recommend performing nuclease flushes (using EXPWSH004) to clear terminally blocked pores, and then re-priming and re-loading library.

Large proportion of inactive pores

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Large proportion of inactive/unavailable pores (shown as light blue in the channels panel and pore activity plot. Pores or membranes are irreversibly damaged)	Air bubbles have been introduced to the flowcell	Air bubbles introduced through flow cell during priming and library loading can irreversibly damage the pores. Watch the Priming and loading your flow cell video for best practice: Nanopore Learning / Lesson library / Priming and loading your flow cell
Large proportion of inactive/unavailable pores	Contaminants are present in the sample	The effects of contaminants are described in the ONT notes DNA Contaminants document. Please try an alternative extraction method that does not result in contaminant carryover.

Reduction in sequencing speed and q-score later into the run

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions

A	B	C
Reduction in sequencing speed and qscore later into the run	Fast fuel consumption	Add more fuel to the flow cell by re-priming the flow cell with FCF+FCT, then load library to the flow cell.

Lower than expected sequencing depth in adaptive sampling

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Lower than expected sequencing depth during adaptive sampling	Not enough "buffer" region in the target described in the .bed file.	Flanking "buffer" regions are added to either side of the target region of interest described in the .bed file. By accepting reads which map into these flanking regions we increase the number of accepted reads that hit our target: The size of the buffer chosen relates to the read length of the underlying library – ONT recommend setting the buffer size to the read-N10 of the library (this is point at which 10% of the bases sequenced are from reads that are this length or longer). Having a buffer size that exceeds the length of all reads present in the library will lead to reads being accepted and sequenced that never enter the target region.

Disproportionate sequencing of individual barcoded samples within a pool

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Disproportionate sequencing of individual barcoded samples within a pool	shorter fragments within a pool are efficiently sequenced	Ensure samples of similar fragment lengths are pooled together and run on the same flow cell. Run and carefully gate each sample on a Femto Pulse in order to appropriately pool samples together.
	Unequal molar quantities of samples are barcoded and pooled	Ensure that an equimolar mass of each sample is taken forward into barcoding and pooling. With adaptive sampling, barcode balancing is available as a beta feature which allows users to preferentially sequence underrepresented barcodes in their samples to balance the read data across the barcodes based on the reference file provided. Please note, with increasing the number of reads sequenced for these barcodes, the overall data output for all reads may be reduced.

Temperature fluctuation

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions
Temperature fluctuation	The flow cell has lost contact with the device	Check that there is a heat pad covering the metal plate on the back of the flow cell. Re-insert the flow cell and press it down to make sure the connector pins are firmly in contact with the device. If necessary, move the flow cell to a new position and if the problem persists, contact Technical Services.

Failed to reach target temperature

A	B	C
Observation	Possible cause	Comments and actions

A	B	C
MinKNOW shows "Failed to reach target temperature"	The instrument was placed in a location that is colder than normal room temperature, or a location with poor ventilation (which leads to the flow cells overheating)	MinKNOW has a default timeframe for the flow cell to reach the target temperature. Once the timeframe is exceeded, an error message will appear and the sequencing experiment will continue. However, sequencing at an incorrect temperature may lead to a decrease in throughput and lower q-scores. Please adjust the location of the sequencing device to ensure that it is placed at room temperature with good ventilation, then re-start the process in MinKNOW.

MATERIALS

Workflow, consumables and equipment

Notes before starting:

- Perform fragmentation on 6000 ng gDNA per sample (provides enough starting material for two side by side library preparations).
- 2x 1200-1500 ng fragmented gDNA per sample if using ≤ 5 barcodes
- These quantities yield 3x library loads at the optimal molar quantity of 50 fmol (see ONT notes on adaptive sampling).
- Load 4-5 barcoded libraries per flow cell.
- The PromethION 24 DAU device with 2 x Nvidia Quadro GV100 GPUs allows ≤ 3 positions/flow cells to run with real-time high accuracy basecalling required for adaptive sampling. Exceeding these recommendations may lead to an increased decision time and less enrichment.
- Adaptive sampling requires a genomic reference (a FASTA or a pre-calculated minimap2 index) and a .bed file with the genomic coordinates of the target region/s (see Designing and running an experiment with adaptive sampling section in 'adaptive-sampling-ADS_S1016_v1_revJ_12Nov2020-any' document)

Adaptive sampling workflow:

- Optional fragmentation of 6000 ng gDNA per sample
- SPRI clean-up, volume reduction and quantitation
- FFPE repair and end-prep on 2x 1200-1500 ng gDNA per sample if using ≤ 5 barcodes
- Ligation of barcodes
- ligation of sequencing adapters
- Prime and load 50 fmol prepared library onto the flow cell
- Start sequencing
- 2x optional flow cell wash, re-prime and library reload

Consumables:

- Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 (SQK-NBD114.24)
- ProNex® beads (Promega)
- NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Mix (NEB, M6630)
- NEBNext Ultra II End repair/dA-tailing Module (NEB, cat # E7546)
- NEB Blunt/TA Ligase Master Mix (NEB, cat # M0367)
- NEBNext Quick Ligation Module (NEB, cat # E6056)
- 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tubes
- 0.2 ml thin-walled PCR tubes
- Nuclease-free water (e.g. ThermoFisher, cat # AM9937)






- Freshly prepared 80% ethanol in nuclease-free water
- Qubit™ Assay Tubes (Invitrogen, Q32856)
- Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (ThermoFisher, cat # Q32851)
- PromethION R10.4.1 flow cells (FLO-PRO114M).
- Sequencing Auxiliary Vials V14 (EXP-AUX003)
- Flow Cell Wash Kit (EXP-WSH004)

Equipment:

- Hula mixer (gentle rotator mixer)
- Microfuge
- Magnetic rack
- Vortex mixer
- Thermal cycler
- Heating block for 1.5ml tubes set to 37 °C
- P1000 pipette and tips
- P200 pipette and tips
- P100 pipette and tips
- P20 pipette and tips
- P10 pipette and tips
- P2 pipette and tips
- Ice bucket with ice
- Timer
- Eppendorf 5424 centrifuge (or equivalent)
- Qubit fluorometer (or equivalent for QC check)
- PromethION 24/48 device


Optional Equipment

- Nanodrop spectrophotometer
- Agilent Femto Pulse and Genomic DNA 165 kb kit

	NEB Blunt/TA Ligase Master Mix	Contributed by users	Catalog #M0367
	NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Mix - 96 rxns	New England Biolabs	Catalog #M6630L
	NEBNext® Ultra™ II End Repair/dA-Tailing Module	New England Biolabs	Catalog #E7546
	NEBNext Quick Ligation Module	New England Biolabs	Catalog #E6056S
	Nuclease-Free Water (not DEPC-Treated)	Thermo Fisher Scientific	Catalog #AM9937
	Qubit™ Assay Tubes	Invitrogen - Thermo Fisher	Catalog #Q32856
	Qubit™ dsDNA HS Assay Kit	Invitrogen - Thermo Fisher	Catalog #Q32851

Prepare for your experiment

- 1 This protocol is based on ligation-sequencing-gdna-native-barcoding-v14-sqk-nbd114-24-NBE_9169_v114_revF_15Sep2022-promethion with some modifications for adaptive sampling.

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Refer to the ONT notes on adaptive sampling for further information and creating a .BED file.

 ONT notes on adaptive sampling.docx166KB

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 - Ensure you have your Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 (SQK-NBD114.24), the correct equipment and third-party reagents.
 - Check your PromethION R10.4.1 flow cell/s (FLO-PRO114M) to ensure there are >5000 pores.


Prepare samples for your experiment

- 3
 - This protocol is for barcoding 4-5 samples per flow cell.
 - Only 2 flow cells may be run simultaneously with high accuracy basecalling required for adaptive sampling.
 - Extract DNA, and check its length, quantity and purity.

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- 4 High molecular weight DNA may require shearing prior to adaptive sampling. If shearing is not required, proceed with clean-up and volume reduction  go to step #5

Shear  6 µg gDNA using Diagenode Megaruptor® 3 DNA shearing kit (and DNAFluid+ kit for viscous samples) to obtain uniform fragment lengths of 12-15 kb.

Check fragment length using Agilent Femto Pulse Genomic 165 kb kit (or similar electrophoresis method).

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Note

 6 µg gDNA starting material allows two side by side library preparations per sample, which usually provides 3x library loads at the optimal molar quantity of  50 fmol (see ONT notes on adaptive sampling).

- 5 Perform a 1X ProNex® bead clean-up on fragmented gDNA

- 5.1 Allow ProNex® beads to get to  Room temperature and resuspend by vortexing.




- 5.2 Add 1X the volume of resuspended ProNex® beads to gDNA and mix by flicking the tube.



5.3 Incubate on a Hula rotator mixer for  00:10:00 at  Room temperature . 10m



5.4 Meanwhile, prepare sufficient fresh 80% ethanol in nuclease-free water to completely cover the samples. Allow enough for two washes, with some excess.

5.5 Spin down the samples and pellet the beads on a magnet for  00:02:00 until the eluate is clear and colourless. Keep the 2m tubes on the magnet, pipette off the supernatant and retain (SN1).



Note


Keep the supernatant and quantitate in the event of significant gDNA loss following elution

5.6 Keep the tube on the magnet and wash the beads with enough freshly prepared 80% ethanol to cover the pellet. Remove the ethanol using a pipette and discard.



Note




Do not disturb the pellet. If the pellet was disturbed, wait for beads to pellet again before removing the ethanol.

5.7 Repeat the previous step  go to step #5.6




5.8 Briefly spin down and place the tubes back on the magnet for the beads to pellet. Pipette off and discard any residual ethanol. Do not allow the pellet to dry out.



5.9 Remove the tubes from the magnetic rack and resuspend the pellet in  25 μ L nuclease-free water. Spin down and incubate 10m for  00:10:00 at  Room temperature .




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incubating at  37 °C with occasional flicking can improve elution efficiency


5.10 Pellet the beads on a magnet for  00:02:00 until the eluate is clear and colourless.

2m



5.11 Remove and retain  25 μ L of eluate into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.





5.12 Quantify  1 μ L of each eluted sample using a Qubit fluorometer.





Note

In the event of significant gDNA loss, quantitate SN1 using a Qubit fluorometer, and if necessary, repeat the 1X ProNex[®] bead clean-up on SN1



6 If necessary, dilute gDNA with nuclease free water to obtain 2X  12 μ L aliquots per sample at a concentration of  1200-1500 ng in clean 0.2 ml thin-walled PCR tubes.



Note

You may store the samples at  4 °C  Overnight .

DNA repair and end-prep

- 7
- Thaw the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) at  Room temperature
 - Thaw NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Buffer, Ultra II End-Prep Reaction Buffer, Ultra II End-Prep Enzyme Mix and NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Mix  On ice .



Flick and/or invert the reagent tubes to ensure they are well mixed. Spin down tubes before opening.

Note

Do not vortex the FFPE DNA Repair Mix or Ultra II End Prep Enzyme Mix.

Note

The Ultra II End Prep Buffer and FFPE DNA Repair Buffer may have a little precipitate. Allow the mixture to come to room temperature and pipette the buffer up and down several times to break up the precipitate, followed by vortexing the tube for **00:00:30** to solubilise any precipitate.

The FFPE DNA Repair Buffer may have a yellow tinge and is fine to use if yellow.

8 Optional addition of DNA Control Sample (DCS).

Note

- Introduction of DCS can help users distinguish between sample failure and library preparation failure.
- Dilute your DNA Control Sample (DCS) by adding **105 µL** Elution Buffer (EB) directly to one DCS tube. Mix gently by pipetting and spin down.
- One tube of diluted DNA Control Sample (DCS) is enough for 140 samples. Excess can be stored at -20°C in the freezer.
- Include **1 µL** DNA Control Sample (DCS) in your library prep for troubleshooting purposes.

9 Prepare a mastermix of the end-prep and DNA repair reagents for the total number of samples and add **3 µL** to each sample tube.

A	B
Reagent	Volume
DNA sample	12 µl
NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Buffer	0.875 µl
Ultra II End-prep Reaction Buffer	0.875 µl
Ultra II End-prep Enzyme Mix	0.75 µl
NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Mix	0.5 µl
Total	15 µl

Note

If **1 µL** DCS is to be included, use **11 µL** DNA sample

Pipette mix 10 - 20 times and spin down in a centrifuge.


10 Using a thermal cycler, incubate at **20 °C** for **00:30:00** and **65 °C** for **00:05:00**.

35m

11 Transfer each sample into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.

12 Resuspend the AMPure XP beads (AXP) by vortexing.



13 Add  15 µL of resuspended AMPure XP Beads (AXP) to each end-prep reaction and mix by flicking the tube.





14 Incubate on a Hula rotator mixer for  00:10:00 at  Room temperature .

10m



15 Prepare sufficient fresh 80% ethanol in nuclease-free water for all of your samples. Allow enough for 400 µl per sample, with some excess.

16 Spin down the samples and pellet the beads on a magnet for  00:02:00 until the eluate is clear and colourless. Keep the tube on the magnet, pipette off the supernatant and retain (SN2)  2m




17 Keep the tube on the magnet and wash the beads with  200 µL of freshly prepared 80% ethanol without disturbing the pellet. Remove the ethanol using a pipette and discard.



Note



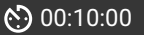

If the pellet was disturbed, wait for beads to pellet again before removing the ethanol.

18 Repeat the previous step  go to step #17

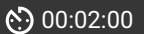




19 Briefly spin down and place the tubes back on the magnet for the beads to pellet. Pipette off any residual ethanol. Do not allow the pellet to dry out.



20 Remove the tubes from the magnetic rack and resuspend the pellet in  10 μL nuclease-free water. Spin down and incubate  10m
 00:10:00 at  37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$.



21 Pellet the beads on a magnet for  00:02:00 until the eluate is clear and colourless.  2m



22 Remove and retain  10 μL of eluate into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.

23 Quantify  1 μL of each eluted sample using a Qubit fluorometer.



Note

In the event of significant sample loss, quantitate SN2 using a Qubit fluorometer, and if necessary, repeat the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) bead clean-up on SN2


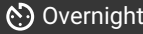
24 Take forward an equimolar mass of each sample to be barcoded into the native barcode ligation step:
Use an online weight to molar quantity calculator to identify which sample has the lowest molar concentration in  7.5 μL .
Dilute other samples to the same molar quantity in  7.5 μL .



Note



Shorter fragments are preferentially sequenced compared to longer fragments in a pool. This can be minimised by pooling samples of a similar size so that an equimolar mass of each sample is sequenced in the same flow cell.

Note

You may store the samples at  4 $^{\circ}\text{C}$  Overnight.

Native barcode ligation

45m 45s

25 ■ Thaw the NEB Blunt/TA Ligase Master Mix at  Room temperature, spin briefly and mix by performing 10 full volume pipette mixes. Store  On ice.





- Thaw the EDTA at Room temperature and mix by vortexing. Then spin down and place On ice .
- Thaw the required number of Native Barcodes (NB01-24) at Room temperature . Individually mix the barcodes by pipetting, spin down and place them On ice .

Note

Only use one barcode per sample. Select a unique barcode for each sample to be run together on the same flow cell.

The Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 (SQK-NBD114.24) contains 24 barcodes. Unused barcodes can be utilised with the Native Barcode Auxiliary V14 (EXP-NBA114) expansion pack.

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In clean 0.2 ml PCR-tubes add the reagents in the following order:
Between each addition, pipette mix 10 - 20 times

A	B
Reagent	Volume
End-prepped DNA	7.5 µl
Native Barcode (NB01-24)	2.5 µl
Blunt/TA Ligase Master Mix	10 µl
Total	20 µl

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Thoroughly mix the reaction by gently pipetting and briefly spinning down.

28



Incubate for 00:20:00 at Room temperature .

20m

29



Add 2 µL EDTA to each reaction and mix thoroughly by pipetting and spin down briefly.

Note

EDTA is added at this step to stop the reaction.

30

Pool all the barcoded samples in a 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.

A	B	C	D
	Volume per sample	For 4 samples	For 5 samples

A	B	C	D
Total volume	22 µl	88 µl	110 µl

Note

Check the volume after pooling to ensure all the liquid has been taken forward.

- 31 Resuspend the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) by vortexing.



- 32 Add 0.8X AMPure XP Beads (AXP) to the pooled reaction, and mix by pipetting.



A	B	C	D
	Volume per sample	For 4 samples	For 5 samples
Volume of AXP	18 µl	72 µl	90 µl

- 33 Incubate on a Hula rotator mixer for 00:10:00 at Room temperature .



10m

- 34 Prepare 2 mL of fresh 80% ethanol in nuclease-free water.

- 35 Spin down the sample and pellet on a magnet for 00:05:00 . Keep the tube on the magnetic rack until the eluate is clear and colourless. Pipette off the supernatant and retain (SN3). 5m



- 36 Keep the tube on the magnetic rack and wash the beads with 700 µL of freshly prepared 80% ethanol without disturbing the pellet. Remove the ethanol using a pipette and discard.



Note

If the pellet was disturbed, wait for beads to pellet again before removing the ethanol.

- 37 Repeat the previous step go to step #36

38 Spin down and place the tube back on the magnetic rack. Pipette off any residual ethanol. Do not dry the pellet to dry out.



39 Remove the tube from the magnetic rack and resuspend the pellet in **32 µL** nuclease-free water by gently flicking.

40 Incubate for **00:10:00** at **37 °C**.

10m 10s

Every 2 minutes, agitate the sample by gently flicking for **00:00:10** to encourage DNA elution.



41 Pellet the beads on a magnetic rack for **00:02:00** until the eluate is clear and colourless.

2m

42 Remove and retain **32 µL** of eluate into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.

43 Quantify **1 µL** of eluted sample using a Qubit fluorometer.



Note

In the event of significant sample loss, quantitate SN3 using a Qubit fluorometer, and if necessary, repeat the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) bead clean-up on SN3.

Note

You may store the sample at **4 °C** **Overnight**.

Adapter ligation and clean-up

40m 45s

44 ■ Thaw NEBNext Quick Ligation Reaction Buffer (5X) at **Room temperature**. Spin down and ensure the reagent is fully mixed by performing 10 full volume pipette mixes. Store **On ice**.





Note

The NEBNext Quick Ligation Reaction Buffer (5x) may have a little precipitate. Allow the mixture to come to room temperature and pipette the buffer up and down several times to break up the precipitate, followed by vortexing the tube for several seconds to ensure the reagent is thoroughly mixed.

- Spin down the Native Adapter (NA) and Quick T4 DNA Ligase, pipette mix and place On ice .

Note

- Do NOT vortex the Quick T4 DNA Ligase.
 - The Native Adapter (NA) used in this kit and protocol is not interchangeable with other sequencing adapters. The Native Barcode Auxiliary V14 (EXP-NBA114) expansion pack allows unused barcodes to be utilised.
- Thaw the Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) and Elution Buffer (EB) at Room temperature and mix by vortexing. Then spin down and place On ice .

Note

Use Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) in the clean-up step after adapter ligation to enrich for DNA fragments >3 kb.

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In a 1.5 ml Eppendorf LoBind tube, mix in the following order:
Between each addition, pipette mix 10 - 20 times.

A	B
Reagent	Volume
Pooled barcoded sample	30 µl
Native Adapter (NA)	5 µl
NEBNext Quick Ligation Reaction Buffer (5X)	10 µl
Quick T4 DNA Ligase	5 µl
Total	50 µl

Thoroughly pipette mix the reaction and briefly spin down.

46



Incubate the reaction for 00:20:00 at Room temperature .

20m

47



Resuspend the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) by vortexing.

48



Add 40 µL of resuspended AMPure XP Beads (AXP) to the reaction and mix by pipetting.



49

Incubate on a Hula rotator mixer for  00:10:00 at  Room temperature .

10m



50

Spin down the samples and pellet the beads on a magnet for  00:02:00 until the eluate is clear and colourless. Keep the tube on the magnet, pipette off the supernatant and retain (SN4)



2m




51

Wash the beads by adding  125 μL Long Fragment Buffer (LFB).

4m

Remove from the magnet, flick the beads to resuspend, spin down, incubate for  00:02:00 at  Room temperature before returning the tube to the magnetic rack.

Pellet the beads on a magnetic rack for  00:02:00 until the eluate is clear and colourless. Remove the supernatant using a pipette and discard.

Note

This clean-up step uses Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) rather than 80% ethanol to wash the beads. The use of ethanol will be detrimental to the sequencing reaction.

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Repeat the previous step  go to step #51






4m

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Spin down and place the tube back on the magnet. Pipette off any residual supernatant. Do not allow the pellet to dry out.




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Remove the tube from the magnetic rack and resuspend the pellet in  25 μL Elution Buffer (EB). Spin down and incubate  10m  10s at  37 $^{\circ}\text{C}$. Every 2 minutes, agitate the sample by gently flicking for  00:00:10 to encourage DNA elution.



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Pellet the beads on a magnet for  00:02:00 until the eluate is clear and colourless.

2m


56 Remove and retain  25 µL of eluate containing the DNA library into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.

57 Quantify  1 µL of eluted sample using a Qubit fluorometer.



Note

In the event of significant sample loss, quantitate SN4 using a Qubit fluorometer, and if necessary, repeat the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) bead clean-up on SN4.

58 Prepare the final library to 50 fmol in  32 µL of Elution Buffer.

Note

If the library yield is below the recommended input, use your entire yield and make up the remaining volume to 32 µl with Elution Buffer (EB).

If quantities allow, the library may be diluted in Elution Buffer (EB) for multiple library reloads or for splitting across multiple flow cells.



Store the library on ice or at 4°C until ready to load.

Note

Store libraries in Eppendorf DNA LoBind tubes at **4°C for short-term** storage or repeated use, for example, re-loading flow cells between washes.

For single use and **long-term storage** of more than 3 months, store libraries at **-80°C** in Eppendorf DNA LoBind tubes.

Priming and loading the PromethION Flow Cell

59 ■ Remove flow cell/s from the fridge. Wait  00:20:00 before inserting into the PromethION to allow the flow cell to come  20m

 Room temperature





Note

This kit is only compatible with R10.4.1 flow cells (FLO-PRO114M)

Note


Condensation can form on the flow cell in humid environments. Inspect the gold connector pins on the top and underside of the flow cell for condensation and wipe off with a lint-free wipe if any is observed. Ensure the heat pad (black pad) is present on the underside of the flow cell.

- Thaw the Sequencing Buffer (SB), Library Beads (LIB), Flow Cell Tether (FCT) and one tube of Flow Cell Flush (FCF) at  Room temperature, mix by vortexing, spin down and store  On ice.

60 To prepare the flow cell priming mix, combine Flow Cell Tether (FCT) and Flow Cell Flush (FCF), as directed below:

60.1 Single-use tubes format:



Add  30 µL Flow Cell Tether (FCT) directly to a tube of Flow Cell Flush (FCF).

60.2 Sequencing Auxiliary Vials V14 (EXP-AUX003) format:



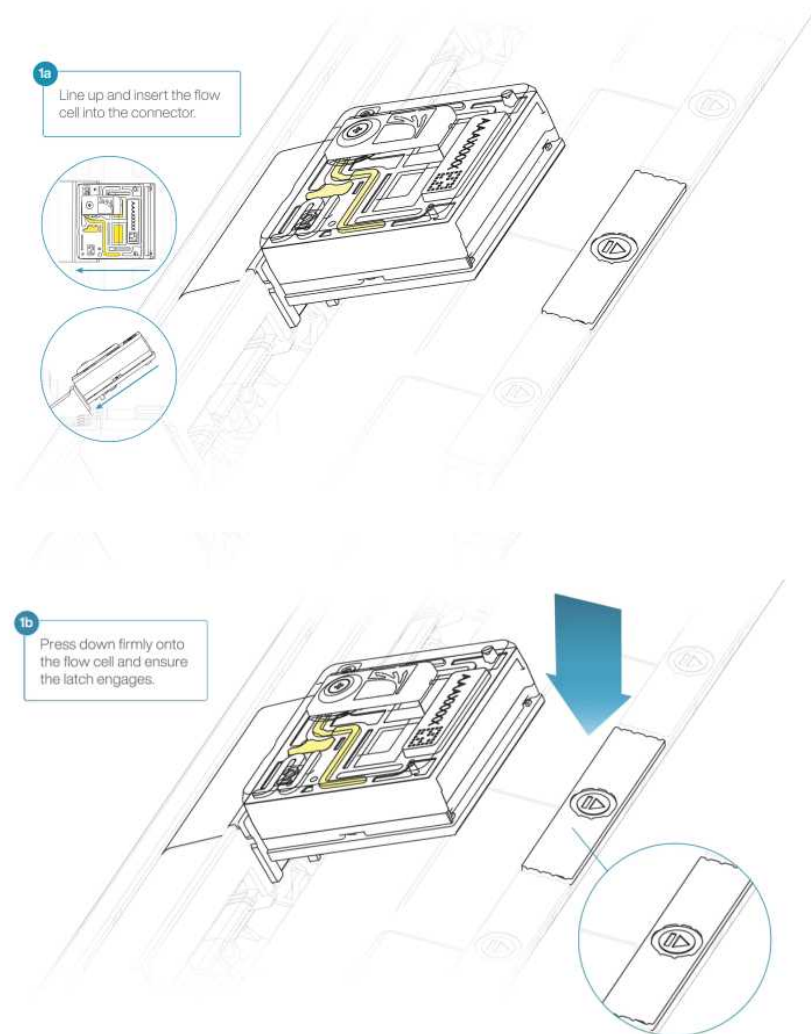
In a clean suitable tube for the number of flow cells, combine and mix the following reagents:

A	B
Reagent	Volume per flow cell
Flow Cell Flush (FCF)	1,170 µl
Flow Cell Tether (FCT)	30 µl
Total volume	1,200 µl

61 Load the flow cell(s) into the docking ports on the PromethION 24/48.

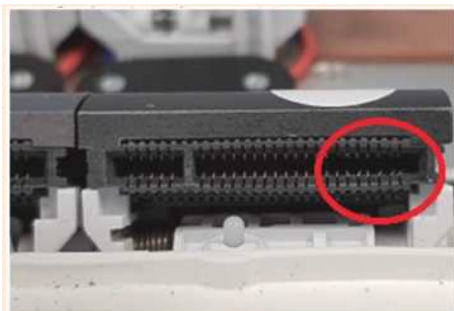
61.1 Line up the flow cell with the connector horizontally and vertically before smoothly inserting into position.

61.2 Press down firmly onto the flow cell and ensure the latch engages and clicks into place.



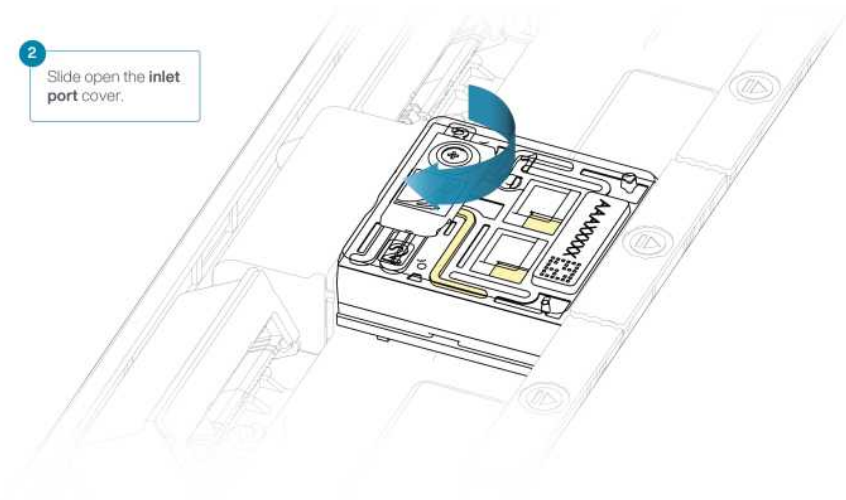
Note

Insertion of the flow cells at the wrong angle can cause damage to the pins on the PromethION and affect your sequencing results. If you find the pins on a PromethION position are damaged, please contact support@nanoporetech.com for assistance.




62 Turn the valve clockwise to expose the inlet port.

2 Slide open the inlet port cover.



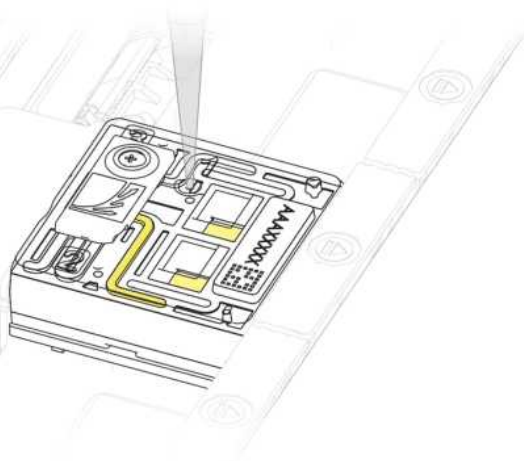
63 After opening the inlet port, draw back a small volume to remove any air bubbles:

63.1 Set a P1000 pipette tip to  200 μL .

63.2 Insert the tip into the inlet port.

63.3 Turn the wheel until the dial shows 220-230 μL , or until you see a small volume of buffer entering the pipette tip.

3 Insert a P1000 pipette into the inlet port. Turn the pipette wheel to draw back 20-30 μL or until you can see a small volume of buffer entering the pipette tip.





Note


Take care when drawing back buffer from the flow cell. Do not remove more than 20-30 μL , and make sure that the array of pores are covered by buffer at all times. Introducing air bubbles into the array can irreversibly damage pores.

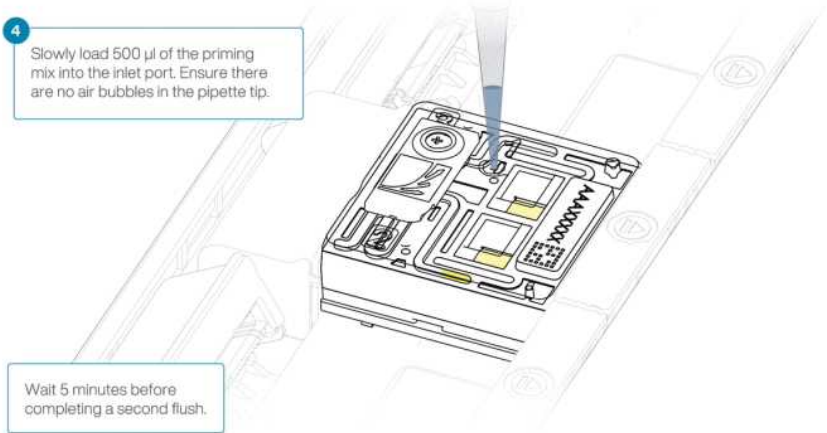
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5m

Load  500 μL of the priming mix into the flow cell via the inlet port, avoiding the introduction of air bubbles. Wait  00:05:00.

During this time, prepare the library for loading  go to step #65



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Note

The Library Beads (LIB) tube contains a suspension of beads that settle very quickly. It is vital that they are mixed thoroughly by pipetting immediately before use.

In a new 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube, prepare the library for loading as follows:

A	B
Reagent	Volume per flow cell
Sequencing Buffer (SB)	100 μl
Library Beads (LIB) thoroughly mixed before use	68 μl
DNA library	32 μl
Total	200 μl

Note

Do not vortex prepared library

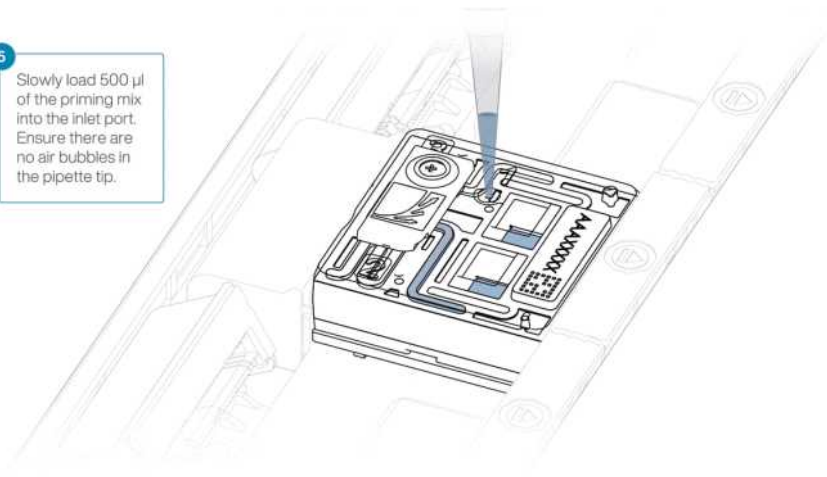
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5m

Complete the flow cell priming by slowly loading  500 μL of the priming mix into the inlet port.

5 Slowly load 500 μ l of the priming mix into the inlet port. Ensure there are no air bubbles in the pipette tip.

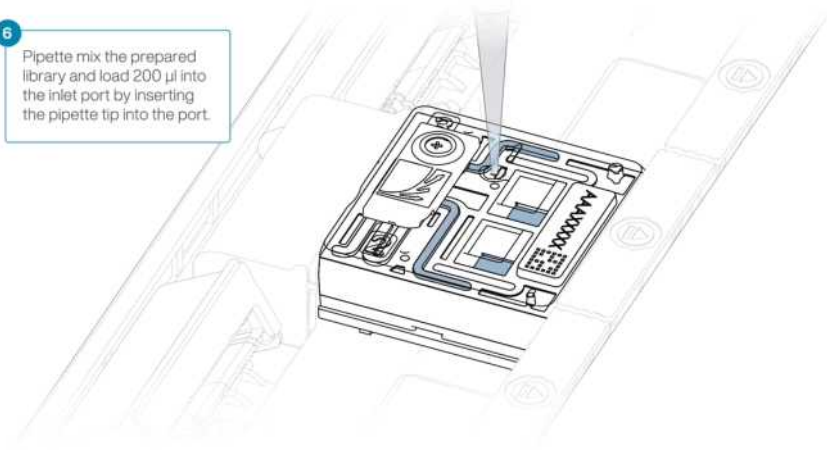


Wait  00:05:00 before loading library

- 67 Mix the prepared library gently by pipetting up and down just prior to loading. Using a P1000, insert the pipette tip into the inlet port and load  200 μ L of library.

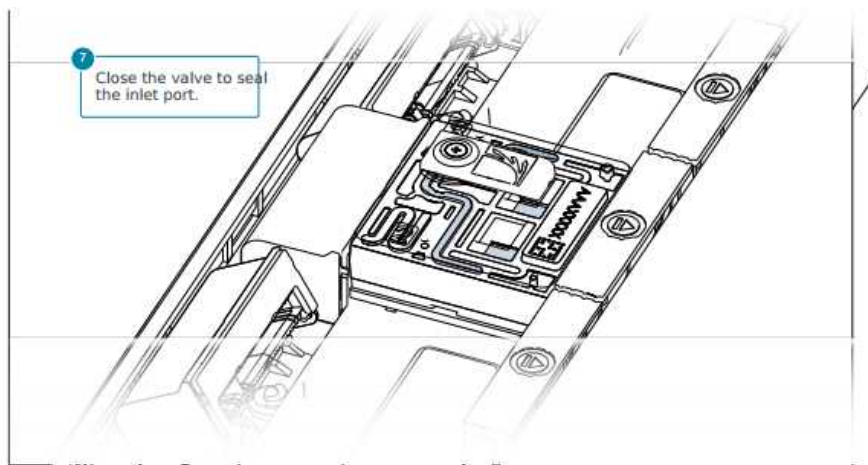


6 Pipette mix the prepared library and load 200 μ l into the inlet port by inserting the pipette tip into the port.



- 68 Close the valve to seal the inlet port.

7 Close the valve to seal the inlet port.

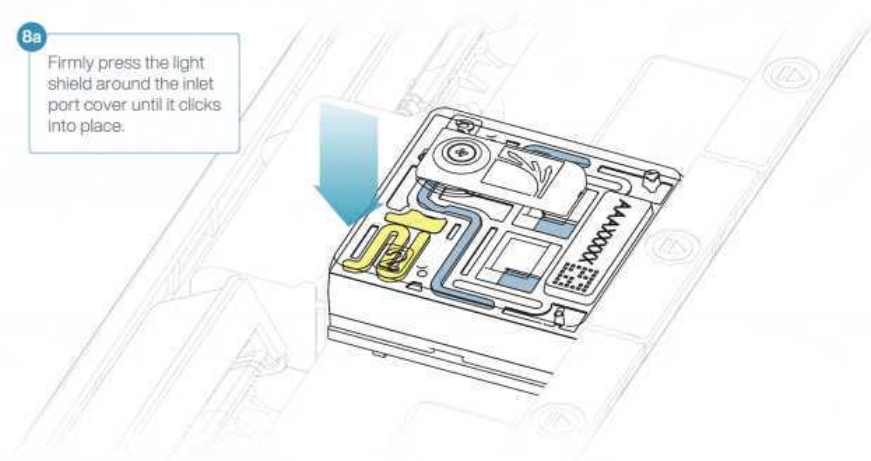


- 69 Install the light shield on your flow cell as follows:

- Align the inlet port cut out of the light shield with the inlet port cover on the flow cell. The leading edge of the light shield should sit above the flow cell ID. Firmly press the light shield around the inlet port cover. The inlet port clip will click into place underneath the inlet port cover.

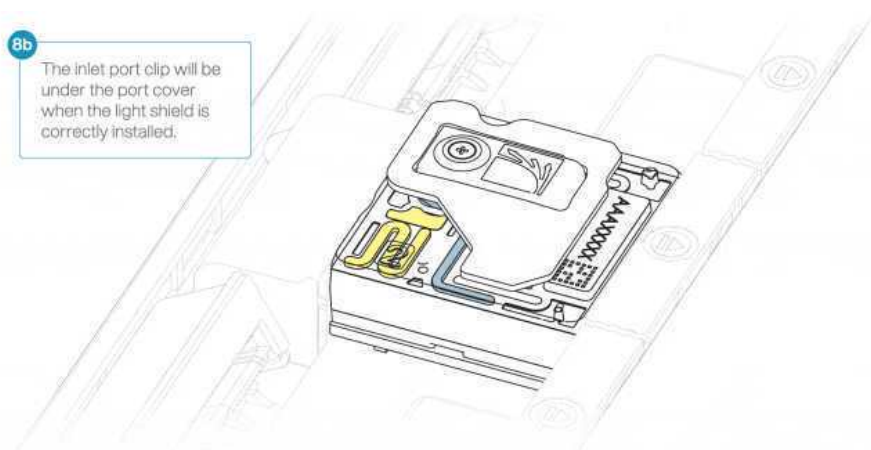
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Firmly press the light shield around the inlet port cover until it clicks into place.



8b

The inlet port clip will be under the port cover when the light shield is correctly installed.





Note

For optimal sequencing output ONT recommend leaving the light shield on the flow cell when library is loaded, including during any washing and reloading steps.

- Close the PromethION lid when ready to start a sequencing run on MinkNOW.

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Wait a minimum of  00:30:00 after loading the flow cells with library before initiating sequencing to increase the sequence output. 

Data acquisition and high accuracy basecalling for adaptive sampling

71

Select 'Start Sequencing' on the start page of the MinkNOW software to set up the sequencing parameters for the experiment:

71.1 Type in the experiment name appended with a run number for the chosen flow cell/s. Label sample ID's.

Note

If sequencing needs to be stopped and the flow cell/s moved to another position, append experiment name with the next run number.

71.2 Select the Native Barcoding Kit 24 V14 (SQK-NBD114.24) used to prepare the library.

71.3 Set up the run options:

- run limit: 96 hours
- Minimum read length: 200 bp
- Adaptive sampling: select 'Enrich or deplete sequences'.

Upload an alignment reference (e.g. hg38 FASTA file) and specific sequence coordinates of interest (e.g. SCA4_human_hg38.bed).

Select 'enrich alignment matches'.

71.4 Turn 'barcode balancing' off.

Note

There is beta support to allow users to preferentially sequence underrepresented barcodes in their samples to balance the read data across the barcodes based on the reference file provided. Under this option, there will be options to balance all barcodes detected or to choose barcodes to balance. Note that with increasing the number of reads sequenced for these barcodes, the overall data output for all reads may be reduced.

71.5 'Active channel selection' is on by default.

Note

This option maximises the number of pores sequencing at the start of the experiment. If a pore is in the 'Saturated' or 'Multiple' state, the software instantly switches to a new pore in the group. If a pore is 'Recovering', MinKNOW will attempt to revert the pore back to 'Pore' or 'Sequencing' for ~5 minutes, after which it will select a new pore in the group. By default, this option is on but can be switched off.

The time between pore scans is 1.5 hours by default.

71.6 Turn 'Reserved pore' option off to front-load sequence data acquisition.

Note

The reserve pore feature prioritises consistency and accuracy over immediacy by reserving wells where voltages have dropped until later in the run, such that other wells can catch up. Switch off this feature to fully front-load sequence data acquisition.

71.7 'Basecalling' is on by default. Click "Edit options" to specify the basecall model as 'High accuracy Basecalling'.

71.8 'Modified bases' is off by default.

Note

This can be switched on to use the CpG context models and basecall 5mC. Note that this requires additional CPU, which could slow down the high accuracy real-time basecalling required for adaptive sampling, increasing decision time and ultimately resulting in less enrichment.

Modified basecalling may be performed post-sequencing

71.9 'Barcoding' is on by default.

Note

These options are only available when a barcoding sequencing kit or expansion has been selected and automatically demultiplexes each barcode. Barcoding can be switched off and performed post-sequencing.

Click 'Edit options' to specify the barcoding options: barcode trimming, mid-read barcoding filtering and barcoding minimum score are off by default.

71.10 'Alignment' is optional.

Note

To use alignment during sequencing, upload an alignment reference file as a .fasta or .mmi file. A reference file can contain multiple entries in the same file (e.g. multiple chromosomes). Alignment hits from these files are used to populate the alignment graphs which can be viewed on the GUI.

A BED file can also be uploaded alongside the reference when there is a specific interest in a particular region of the reference (e.g. specific gene in a chromosome). Alignment hits from BED files will be highlighted in the sequencing .txt file generated in the data folder. Click 'Edit options' to open a dialogue box to upload a BED file.

71.11 Select 'output location'.

Note

ONT recommend saving your alignment files in a folder with the prefix/data or the default location MinKNOW saves your reads.

E.g. Windows: C:\data\

Mac: /Library/MinKNOW/data/

Ubuntu: /var/lib/MinKNOW/data/

For adaptive sampling experiments, there is an additional adaptive_sampling.csv file that is saved in other_reports in the run folder, which can be used for troubleshooting.

71.12 Select 'output format':

- Raw reads default is .POD5
- Basecalled reads default is .FASTQ
- Aligned reads (if selected) default is .BAM

Note

Raw reads can be saved as .POD5 or .FAST5. Note that for Kit 14 chemistry, .POD5 is the default file output, which is a Nanopore-developed file format that writes data faster, uses less compute and has smaller raw data file size.

71.13 'Filtering' is at Q9 by default for the high accuracy basecalling.

71.14 Click 'Start' to review all run options selected.

- Edits can be made by selecting the 'Edit' button.
- Select 'Advanced run options' to view the extra options selected.
- Click 'Start' to begin sequencing

72 Click on the flow cell to check the number of active pores.

Note

The first pore scan should report a similar number of active pores (within 10-15%) to that reported in the flow cell check. If there is a significant reduction in active pores in the first pore scan:

- restart MinKNOW
- move the flow cell to a new position in the PromethION
- reboot the host computer.

If sequencing needs to be stopped and the flow cell/s moved to another position, append experiment name with the next run number.

73 Monitor translocation speed, quality score and data output during the sequencing run.

If translocation speed ≤ 350 bps, quality score begins to drop toward Q9 and there is little increase in data output:


- pause sequencing

- Perform a flow cell wash
- Prime flow cell
- load 50 fmol prepared library
- restart sequencing

Performing a flow cell wash

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- Place the tube of Wash Mix (WMX) on ice. Do not vortex.
- Thaw one tube of Wash Diluent (DIL) at room temperature. Mix the contents of Wash Diluent (DIL) thoroughly by vortexing, then spin down briefly and place on ice.

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In a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube, prepare the following Flow Cell Wash Mix:

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Reagent	Volume per flow cell
Wash Mix (WMX)	2 µl
Wash Diluent (DIL)	398 µl
Total volume	400 µl

Mix well by pipetting and place on ice. Do not vortex.

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Pause the sequencing run.

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Ensure the inlet port is closed and remove any waste fluid from the waste port labelled 2 on the flow cell.


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Open the inlet port and draw back a small volume to remove any air bubbles

 [go to step #62](#) Follow steps 62-63

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Load  400 µL of the prepared Flow Cell Wash Mix into the flow cell via the inlet port, avoiding the introduction of air bubbles 1h

Wait  01:00:00.

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Prepare Priming Mix and library, load flow cell.

 [go to step #62](#) Follow steps 62-70

1h

Note

It may be necessary to mop up any excess fluid that escapes from the flow cell waste ports 2 and 3 using tissue paper. Ensure the inlet port is closed and remove any waste fluid from the waste port labelled 2 on the flow cell.

81 Restart sequencing.

Note

Restoration of sequencing pores will be observed after a new pore scan has been performed.

82 Monitor translocation speed, quality score and data output during the sequencing run.
If translocation speed ≤ 350 bps, quality score begins to drop toward Q9 and there is little increase in data output perform a flow cell wash, re-prime the flow cell, load 50 fmol prepared library and restart sequencing [⇒ go to step #74 steps 74-81](#)

Ending the experiment

83 Flow cells are unlikely to be re-useable given the nature of adaptive sampling. However, if you would like to reuse the flow cell, follow the Flow Cell Wash steps [⇒ go to step #74 follow steps 74-79](#) . Store the washed flow cell at [🔥 2 °C](#) - [🔥 8 °C](#) .

84 Alternatively, flush the flow cell/s with deionised water and store ready to send back to Oxford Nanopore.

Data Analysis

85 Data analysis pipeline is available through https://github.com/egustavsson/long-read_SV_calling.git