



Shotgun Subcloning

I. Shearing

a. Preparing sample

- i. Make sure there is no undissolved material in the DNA sample.
- ii. You need 3-5 ug of BAC or cosmid DNA and 5-10u g for genomic DNA in 250 ul. (DNA concentration is not critical for shearing but you need enough DNA to be detected on a gel after shearing.)

b. Parameters

- i. Usually, if you want to get average insert size of 2-3kb, use speed code 9 or 10 (use 10 to get 3 kb average).
- ii. Enter your sample volume
- iii. Don't change any other numbers on the program
- iv. Run automatic running

c. Useful tips

- i. Here is a tip for removing air bubble in your sample during the shearing
- ii. After injecting your sample into the syringe, turn the silver nob halfway (until the nob is vertical) instead all the way to output when the computer says 'turn it to output'.
- iii. Right after the air bubble moved away, turn the nob to the output.
- iv. Start shearing
- v. Run a mini-gel with 10 ul of the sheared sample

II. End repairing

a. Concentration

- i. Add 1/10 vol of 3M NaOAc
- ii. Add 2.5 vol of 95% EtOH and mix
- iii. Keep the sample in freezer for 30 min
- iv. Spin at 13000rpm for 20 min

- v. Rinse with 300ul of 70% EtOH
- vi. Dry the pellet and resuspend in 15 ul of water

b. Enzyme reaction

5X Kinase buffer	6ul
10 mM ATP	4 ul
2.5 mM dNTP	0.56 ul
T4 Kinase (10U/ul)	0.24 ul
Klenow (4U/ul)	2 ul
T4 DNA pol. (5U/ul)	1.6 ul
DNA	15 ul
- Make the final volume to 30 ul	
- Incubate at 37C for 45 min	

III. Size selection

a. Gel running

- i. Run 1% agarose gel with TAE buffer
- ii. Don't run the gel too fast, use 50-80 V for 1 – 1.5 hr

b. Band isolation

- i. Cut the gel between 3 – 4 kb region
- ii. Use Qiagen gel extraction kit to elute the DNA from gel
- iii. Check the DNA conc on a mini-gel

IV. Ligation & Transformation

a. Ligation

- i. Adjust the ratio between vector and insert to 1:1.
- ii. Use pUC18/SmaI/CIP for blunt-end ligation
- iii. Mix insert, vector, buffer and ligase on ice
- iv. Use a Fast-Link™ DNA Ligation Kit (Epicentre)
- v. Incubate at room temperature for 30 min
- vi. Heat denature the enzyme at 70C for 15 min

b. Transformation

Heat-shock transformation with 1-2 ul of the ligation.