

# ***Gingeras Lab RNA-Seq Library Production Document***

## **ENCODE Transcriptome**

Sample Description: NHEK Whole Cell Poly-A- RNA Biorep 2

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**CELL CULTURE:** Cells are grown according to the ENCODE growth protocol and standards. Each bioreplicate grown and isolated independently.

## **RNA ISOLATION:**

**Kits: miRNeasy Mini kit (QIAGEN cat#:217004)**  
**RNeasy MinElute cleanup kit (QIAGEN cat#:74204)**

1. Regular harvest and count cells and centrifuge for 10 min at 1900 rpm 4°C.
2. Completely aspirate supernatant.
3. Resuspend all pellets in 10-30 mL of cold PBS by pipetting up and down.
4. Centrifuge for 5 min at 2000 rpm 4°C.
5. Carefully aspirate the supernatant.
6. Add QIAzol Lysis Reagent to the pellet and vortex to mix.
7. If number of cells is  $\leq 3 \times 10^6$  then vortex for 1 min to homogenize the cells.  
If number of cells is  $> 3 \times 10^6$  homogenize by placing 700  $\mu$ L of sample into a QIAshredder homogenizer and centrifuge for 2.5 min at maximum speed.
8. Place the tube(s) containing the homogenate on the benchtop at room temperature (15-25°C) for 5 min.
9. Add 20% volumes of chloroform to the homogenate and cap it securely. Shake the tube vigorously for 15 s.
10. Place the tube containing the homogenate on the benchtop at room temperature for 2-3 minutes.
11. Centrifuge the homogenate for 15 min at 12,000 x g at 4°C.
12. Transfer the upper, colorless, aqueous phase containing the RNA to a new collection tube.
13. Add an equal volume of 70% ethanol and mix thoroughly by vortexing. Do not centrifuge.
14. Pipet 700  $\mu$ L of the sample including any precipitate that may have formed into an RNeasy Mini spin column placed in a 2 mL collection tube. Close the lid gently and centrifuge at  $\geq 8000 \times g$  ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm) for 30 s at room temperature. Repeat this step until the whole sample has been pipetted into the spin column and discard the flow-through each time.
15. Pipet the flow-through (which contains miRNA) into a 2 mL RNase free tube. The spin column contains the large RNA.

## **Large RNA Purification**

- L1. Pipet 700  $\mu$ L Buffer RWT into the RNeasy Mini spin column from step 15. Close the lid gently and centrifuge for 30 s at  $\geq 8000 \times g$  ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm) to wash the spin column membrane. Discard the flow through.
- L2. Add 500  $\mu$ L Buffer RPE to the RNeasy Mini spin column. Close the lid gently and centrifuge for 30 s at  $\geq 8000 \times g$  ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm) to wash the spin column membrane. Discard the flow through.
- L3. Add another 500  $\mu$ L Buffer RPE to the RNeasy Mini spin column. Close the lid gently and centrifuge for 30 s at  $\geq 8000 \times g$  ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm) to wash the spin column membrane. Discard the flow through and the collection tube.
- L4. Place the RNeasy Mini spin column in a new 2 mL collection tube. Open the lid and centrifuge at full speed for 1 min.
- L5. Transfer the RNeasy Mini spin column to a new 1.5 mL collection tube. Pipet 30-50  $\mu$ L RNase-free water directly onto the RNeasy Mini spin column membrane. Close the lid gently. Wait one minute and then centrifuge for 1 min at  $\geq 8000 \times g$  ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm) to elute the total RNA (containing large RNA).
- L6. If the expected RNA yield is  $> 30 \mu$ g, repeat step L5 with an additional volume of 30-50  $\mu$ L RNase-free water. Elute into the same collection tube.
- L7. Proceed to ethanol precipitation.

## **Ethanol Precipitation**

1. Add 2.5 volumes of 100% ethanol and 1/10 volumes of NaOAc PH 5.5 to the eluted RNA.
2. Freeze in -80°C for at least 30 min.
3. Centrifuge for 35 min at max speed at 4°C.
4. Pipette and discard the supernatant making sure not to touch the pellet of RNA.
5. Wash with 1 mL of 70% ethanol and centrifuge at max speed for 5 min.
6. Pipette and discard the supernatant.
7. Open the cap and speed vacuum at low heat for 3-5 min making sure that the pellet is dry.
8. Resuspend the pellet with RNase-free water.

## **DNase Digest (same for Small and Large RNA)**

Reagents	100 $\mu$ L Sample (100 $\mu$ g RNA max)	50 $\mu$ L Sample (50 $\mu$ g RNA max)
Total RNA (100 $\mu$ g max)	78 $\mu$ L	39 $\mu$ L
10X One-phor-all Buffer	10 $\mu$ L	5 $\mu$ L

10 U/ $\mu$ L DNase/RNase Free	8 $\mu$ L	4 $\mu$ L
20 U/ $\mu$ L RNasin/anti-RNase	4 $\mu$ L	2 $\mu$ L
<i>Total Volume</i>	<i>100 <math>\mu</math>L</i>	<i>50 <math>\mu</math>L</i>

1. Add all reagents to resuspended RNA and pipette to mix well.
2. Place in a 37°C waterbath for 30 min.
3. Proceed to RNA Cleanup, which is different for Small and Large RNA.

### Large RNA Cleanup

1. Add 350  $\mu$ L Buffer RLT to the 100  $\mu$ L (100  $\mu$ g) sample of RNA. Vortex to mix well.
2. Add 250  $\mu$ L of 100% ethanol to the reaction and mix by inverting.
3. Transfer the 700  $\mu$ L of sample to an RNeasy mini spin column placed in a 2 mL collection tube. Close the lid gently and centrifuge for 30 s at 8000 x g ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm). Discard the flow through.
4. Add 700  $\mu$ L Buffer RW1 to the RNeasy mini spin column. Close the lid gently and centrifuge for 30 s at 8000 x g ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm). Discard the flow through.
5. Repeat Step 4.
6. Add 500  $\mu$ L Buffer RPE to the RNeasy mini spin column. Close the lid gently and centrifuge for 30 s at 8000 x g ( $\geq 10,000$  rpm). Discard the flow through.
7. Repeat Step 6.
8. Transfer the RNeasy spin column to a new collection tube. Centrifuge for 2 min at 10,000 x g to dry the RNeasy membrane.
9. Place the RNeasy spin column into a new 1.5 mL collection tube and discard the old tube. Add 30-50  $\mu$ L of RNase-free water directly on the spin column membrane. Close the lid gently and let stand for 1 min. Centrifuge for 1 min at 10,000 x g to elute the RNA.
10. Add another 30-50  $\mu$ L of RNase-free water onto the membrane using the same centrifuge tube. Wait 1 min and then centrifuge for 1 min at 10,000 x g to elute the RNA.
11. Proceed to ethanol precipitation.

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2. Freeze in -80°C for at least 30 min.
3. Centrifuge for 30 min at max speed at 4°C.
4. Pipette and discard the supernatant making sure not to touch the pellet of RNA.
5. Wash with 1 mL of 70% ethanol and centrifuge at max speed for 5 min.
6. Pipette and discard the supernatant.
7. Open the cap and speed vacuum at low heat for 5 min making sure that the pellet is dry.
8. Resuspend the pellet with RNase-free water.

### POLY-A+ SELECTION:

#### Qiagen mRNA Isolation Protocol (using Oligotex mini kit)

The batch protocol has been used for the recent library production, but from other experience the spin column protocol (listed in the handbook prior to the batch protocol) gives the same results (as far as bioanalyzer image goes)

#### Important notes before starting

- This protocol may be necessary if you are using impure total RNA or if you are unsure about the purity of your total RNA. Many isolation procedures do not remove contaminants such as protein that can clog Oligotex spin columns. Better results are generally obtained with purer starting material.

- **Heat Oligotex Suspension to 37°C in a water bath or heating block. Mix by vortexing, and then place at room temperature.**

- **Heat a water bath or heating block to 70°C, and heat Buffer OEB.**

- Review the introductory material on pages 12–19 before starting.
- If working with RNA for the first time, please read Appendix A (page 76).
- Determine the amount of total RNA in the RNA sample (see “Quantification of starting RNA”, page 18).

- Buffer OBB may (and almost always does) form a precipitate upon storage. If necessary, redissolve by warming at 37°C for approximately 10 minutes, and then place at room temperature. You can wrap the OBB bottle in parafilm and carefully,

partially, submerge it in the water bath, or aliquot the needed amount in 1.5ml tubes and use the heat block

- Unless otherwise indicated, all protocol steps, including centrifugation, should be performed at 20 to 30°C (room temp).
- All centrifugation steps should be performed in a microcentrifuge at maximum speed (14,000–18,000 x g).

## Procedure

**1. Determine the amount of starting RNA. Do not use more than 3 mg total RNA. Pipet total RNA into an RNase-free 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube, and adjust the volume with RNase-free water (if necessary) to the volume indicated in Table 5.**

**Note:** The initial volume of the RNA solution is not important so long as the volume can be brought up to the indicated amount with RNase-free water. If starting with precipitated RNA, dissolve the RNA pellet in the appropriate amount of RNase-free water by heating the tube for 3 min at 60°C followed by vortexing for 5 s and sharply flicking the tube. Repeat at least twice.

**2. Add the appropriate volume of Buffer OBB and Oligotex Suspension (see Table 5). Mix the contents thoroughly by pipetting or flicking the tube.**

**Table 5. Buffer amounts for Oligotex mRNA Batch Protocol**

Total RNA	Add RNase free water to:	Buffer OBB (ul)	Oligotex Suspension (ul)	Prep size
≤0.25 mg	250 ul	250	15	Mini
0.25–0.50 mg	500ul	500	30	Midi
0.50–0.75 mg	500ul	500	45	Midi
0.75–1.00 mg	500ul	500	55	Midi
1.0–1.5 mg	650ul	650	85	Maxi
1.5–2.0 mg	650ul	650	115	Maxi
2.0–2.5 mg	650ul	650	135	Maxi
2.5–3.0 mg	650ul	650	175	Maxi

\*We generally use slightly more than the recommended amount of beads (~5ul)

**3. Incubate the sample for 3 min at 70°C in a water bath or heating block.**

This step disrupts secondary structure of the RNA.

**4. Remove sample from the water bath/heating block, and place at 20 to 30°C for 12 min** (manual says 10, we say 12).

This step allows hybridization between the oligo dT30 of the Oligotex particle and the poly-A tail of the mRNA.

**5. Pellet the Oligotex:mRNA complex by centrifugation for 2 min at maximum speed (14,000–18,000 x g), and carefully remove the supernatant by pipetting.**

Loss of the Oligotex resin can be avoided if approximately 50 µl of the supernatant is left in the microcentrifuge tube. The remaining solution will not affect the procedure. **Note:** Save the supernatant until certain that satisfactory binding and elution of poly A+ mRNA has occurred. **We save the supernatant always, as to save the A- fraction.** (see protocol for purifying A- at the end of the A+ steps)

**6. Resuspend the Oligotex:mRNA pellet in 1 ml Buffer OW2 by vortexing or pipetting (pipetting works better, be sure to resuspend well) Pellet the Oligotex:mRNA complex by centrifugation for 2 min at maximum speed, and carefully remove the supernatant by pipetting.**

Loss of the Oligotex resin can be avoided if approximately 50 µl of the supernatant is left in the microcentrifuge tube. The remaining solution will not affect the procedure.

**7. Repeat step 6 once.**

**8. Add 20–100 µl hot (70°C) Buffer OEB. Pipet up and down 10–15 times to resuspend the resin, and centrifuge for 2 min at maximum speed. Carefully transfer the supernatant, containing the eluted poly A+ mRNA, to a small spin column, close column and set aside.**

**\*We always use 100ul, it gives better yields.**

**Note:** The volume of Buffer OEB used depends on the expected or desired concentration of poly A+ mRNA. Ensure that Buffer OEB does not cool significantly during handling. Remember that small volumes cool down quickly. With multiple samples, it may be necessary to place the entire microcentrifuge tube (with Oligotex and sample) into a 70°C heating block to maintain the temperature while preparing the next samples.

**9. To ensure maximal yield, add another 20–100 µl hot (70°C) Buffer OEB to the Oligotex pellet. Pipet up and down 10–15 times to resuspend the resin, and centrifuge for 2 min at maximum speed.**

Carefully transfer the supernatant, containing the eluted poly A+ mRNA, into the spin filter with the previous 100ul of eluate.

10. Spin filter column for 2 min at 18000xg to remove any remaining Oligotex suspension from the A+ RNA.

11. EtOH precipitate.

#### **A- fraction purification**

Using the saved the A- fraction from oligo-dT selection (the first supernatant)

2 more rounds of Oligotex selection, to remove any remaining A+ RNA-

Add 20ul Oligotex suspension to supernatant (A- fraction)

Mix well by pipetting

Put in 70° heatblock for 3 minutes

Put at room temp. for 12 minutes, mix by inverting the tubes every so often

Spin at 18000xg at room temp for 2 minutes to pellet the Oligotex

Remove and keep supernatant

Repeat once more.

EtOH precipitate

Resuspend in ~100ul (depends on size of pellet)

Measure concentration with nanodrop

Check quality with nanochip on bioanalyzer

#### **RIBOMINUS TREATMENT:**

##### **Hybridization Step**

Instructions are provided below to perform hybridization for 1–10 ug of your total RNA sample with the RiboMinus™ Eukaryote Probe. To process >10 ug total RNA sample, divide your sample into two samples, each containing <10 ug total RNA.

1. Set a water bath or heat block to 70–75°C.

2. To a sterile, RNase-free 1.5 mL microcentrifuge tube, add the following:

Total RNA (10 ug): <20 uL

RiboMinus™ Probe (15 pmol/L): 10 uL

Hybridization Buffer: 300 uL

3. Incubate the tube at 70–75°C for 5 minutes to denature RNA.

4. Allow the sample to cool to 37°C slowly over a period of 30 minutes by placing the tube in a 37°C water bath (a heat block works as well). To promote sequence-specific hybridization, it is important to allow slow cooling. **Do not** cool samples quickly by placing tubes in cold water.

5. While the sample is cooling down, proceed to **Preparing Beads**.

\*An earlier version of this protocol says to use RNA in less than 20ul, add 10ul of probe and 300ul hybridization buffer, this larger volume means you need to precipitate the ribominused RNA in a 2ml tube at the end. Either way works. It doesn't change anything else expect the supernatant volumes and the precipitation tube size.

##### **Preparing Beads**

1. Resuspend RiboMinus™ Magnetic Beads in its bottle by thorough vortexing.

2. Pipet 750 uL of the bead suspension into a sterile, RNase-free, 1.5 mL microcentrifuge tube.

3. Place the tube with the bead suspension on a magnetic separator for 1 minute. The beads settle to the tube side that faces the magnet. Gently aspirate and discard the supernatant.

4. Add 750 uL sterile, DEPC Water to the beads and resuspend beads by pipetting

5. Place tube on a magnetic separator for 1 minute. Aspirate and discard the supernatant.

6. Repeat Steps 4–5 once.

7. Resuspend beads in 750 uL Hybridization Buffer and transfer 250 µL beads to a new tube and maintain the tube at 37°C for use at a later step.

8. Place the tube with 500 uL beads on a magnetic separator for 1 minute. Aspirate and discard the supernatant.

9. Resuspend beads in 200 uL Hybridization Buffer and keep the beads at 37°C until use.

##### **Removing rRNA**

1. After the incubation at 37°C for 30 minutes of the hybridized sample (above), briefly centrifuge the tube to collect the sample to the bottom of the tube.
2. Transfer the sample (~120 uL- this will be ~330ul with the older protocol) to the prepared RiboMinus™ Magnetic beads from Step 9 (**Preparing Beads**, above). Mix well by pipetting up and down
3. Incubate the tube at 37°C for 15 minutes. During incubation, gently mix the contents occasionally. Briefly centrifuge the tube to collect the sample to the bottom of the tube.
4. Place the tube on a magnetic separator for 1 minute to pellet the rRNA-probe complex. **Do not discard the supernatant. The supernatant contains RiboMinus™ RNA.**
5. Place the tube with 250 µL beads from Step 7 (**Preparing Beads**, above) on a magnetic separator for 1 minute. Aspirate and discard the supernatant.
6. To this tube of beads, add ~320 µL (~500ul with older protocol) supernatant containing RiboMinus™ RNA from Step 4, above. Mix well by pipetting up and down or low speed vortexing.
7. Incubate the tube at 37°C for 15 minutes. During incubation, gently mix the contents occasionally. Briefly centrifuge the tube to collect the sample to the bottom of the tube.
8. Place the tube on a magnetic separator for 1 minute to pellet the rRNA-probe complex. **Do not discard the supernatant as the supernatant contains RiboMinus™ RNA.**
9. Transfer the supernatant (~ 320 uL- ~500ul with older protocol) containing **RiboMinus™ RNA** to a small filter column and spin at max speed for 2 minutes to remove any remaining magnetic particles.
10. Transfer flow through (ribominus RNA) to a new tube (1.5ml for small volume, 2ml for large volume)
11. EtOH precipitate with glycoblue

**SPIKE-INS:** NIST Spike-Ins beta set: Pool 14. 2 ng added to 100 ng of RNA. Use “corrected fasta” to map against.

**LIBRARY PROTOCOL:** Adapted from... *Transcriptome analysis by strand-specific sequencing of complementary DNA* Dmitri Parkhomchuk, Tatiana Borodina, Vyacheslav Amstislavskiy, Mariya Banaru, Linda Hallen, Sylvia Krobitsch, Hans Lehrach & Alexey Soldatov.

Use 100 ng of ribominused RNA (add spike ins, pool14 NIST beta) in 4.75ul or less of RNase free H2O for cDNA synthesis

**cDNA- 1<sup>st</sup> strand:** Mix

4.75 ul sample r- RNA  
 2ul 50ng/ul random primers  
 2.5 50uM oligo-DT primer  
 2ul NIST spike-ins  
 1.25ul RNase inhibitor  
 Up to 12.5ul with RNase free H2O if needed

98° 2 min  
 70° 5 min  
 .1°/s ramp to 15°  
 15° 30 min  
 .1°/s ramp to 25°  
 25° 10 min  
 .1°/s ramp to 42°  
 42° 45 min  
 .1°/s ramp to 50°  
 50° 15 min  
 75° 15 min  
 4° hold

**As soon as** 15 degrees is reached (after ~15min), pause program and add:

5ul 5X First Strand Buffer  
 1.25ul .1M MgCl2  
 1.25ul 10mM dNTPs  
 2.5ul .1M DTT

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22.5ul (total at this point)

After 30 minutes at 15 degrees, pause program and add (**before temp. ramp!**):

1.25ul Actinomycin-D (we have a 1mg/ml stock, dilute to 120ng/ul in 10mM Tris-Cp pH 7.6 before use)  
1.25ul Superscript III

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25ul final volume for 1<sup>st</sup> strand reaction

Rest of reaction takes about 1 hour 40 minutes  
Then, 4 degree hold

Bring reaction volume to 100ul (add 75ul Rnase free H2O)  
Add 5 volume PB (500ul) mix and apply to Minelute spin column  
Follow Qiagen Minelute cleanup protocol  
Elute 2 x 15ul EB

### **2<sup>nd</sup> Strand Synthesis**

Prepare 2<sup>nd</sup> strand mix:  
(22.5ul per sample)

1ul 5X 1<sup>st</sup> Strand Buffer  
15ul 5X 2<sup>nd</sup> Strand Buffer  
.5ul MgCl<sub>2</sub>  
1ul DTT  
2ul dUNTPs  
.5ul E. coli DNA ligase  
2ul E. coli DNA polymerase I  
.5ul RNase H

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22.5ul

Mix:  
30ul first strand reaction  
22.5ul second strand mix  
22.5ul RNase free H<sub>2</sub>O

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75ul final reaction volume

2 hours 16 degrees, 4 degrees hold in PCR machine  
Bringing volume to 100ul with H<sub>2</sub>O, then add 500ul PB, follow minelute cleanup protocol  
Elute 2 x 26ul (fragmentation takes place in 50ul).  
Bioanalyzer- high sensitivity DNA chip (to see if cDNA is full length, peak should be around 1000bp- if it is not, you need to lessen fragmentation time)

### **Fragment cDNA: Covaris**

If machine is not on:  
Fill appropriate chambers with autoclaved DI water  
Run degas program (~30 minutes)

Transfer your 50ul cDNA sample to the sonicator tube (using pipette)  
Place on machine (snaps in) and run program degas60snapcap100ul (60s sonication)  
Run Bioanalyzer- high sensitivity DNA chip to check fragment size (peak should be 200-300)

### **End-Repair cDNA**

48ul sample  
27ul H<sub>2</sub>O  
10ul T4 DNA ligase buffer with 10mM ATP ("10X ER")  
4ul dNTP mix 10mM  
5ul T4 DNA polymerase 3U/ul (NEB)  
1ul Klenow DNA polymerase 5U/ul (NEB)  
5ul T4 PNK 10U/ul (NEB)

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100ul final volume

Room temp. 30min.

Add 500ul PB, follow Minelute cleanup, elute 2 x 16ul

#### **Addition of single <A> Base**

32ul eluted cDNA

5ul NEBuffer2

10ul dATP (1mM)

3ul Klenow fragment 3' to 5' exo- 5U/ul

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50ul final volume

37 degrees, 30 min.

Bring volume to 100ul (add 50ul H2O), then add 500ul PB

Follow minelute cleanup, elute 1 x 19ul

#### **Adapter Ligation**

19ul eluted cDNA

25ul DNA ligase buffer

1ul adapter oligo mix

5ul DNA ligase 1U/ul (Enzymatics)

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50ul final volume

Room temp, 15 min.

Bring volume to 100ul with H2O (add 50ul), then add 500ul PB

Minelute cleanup, elute 1 x 15ul

#### **UNG Treatment**

15ul eluted cDNA

1.7ul 500 mM KCl

1ul UNG

37 degrees, 15 min

95 degrees, 10 min

Hold on ice

Add 10ul loading buffer

Run on 2% Ultra-pure agarose gel for 2 hours, 70V (use 100bp ladder)

Cut out 200bp band, and another band just slightly larger (freeze larger slice, -20)

If you do not see anything on the gel at this point, do not be alarmed, cut bands anyway

Use Qiaquick gel extraction kit, elute 2 x 15ul

#### **PCR Amplification:** Mix

15ul eluted cDNA from gel-extraction (freeze remaining cDNA)- If you suspect you need more or less for good amplification, use more or less

1ul PE primer 1

1ul PE primer 2

50ul HF Phusion Mix

33ul H2O (adjust this volume according to how much cDNA was used)

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100ul final PCR volume



98° 1 min

18 cycles of:

98° 10s

60° 30s

72° 30s

72° 5 min

4° hold

Add 500ul PB, Min-elute clean up, elute 1 x 15ul

Add 10ul loading dye, run on 2% gel at 70V for 2 hours

Cut distinct band (should be ~100bp larger than cDNA band)

You may have more than 1 band at this point, cut whichever band is ~100bp larger than your cDNA cut was

Gel purify as before

Elute 2 x 15ul

Precipitate

Resuspend 25ul H2O

Measure library with Nanodrop (1ul) –very inaccurate.

Run High sensitivity DNA chip (1ul)

#### **DSN Normalization (Full protocol available in pdf format)**

To remove highly abundant DNA molecules derived from rRNA, tRNA and housekeeping genes

Materials needed:

1M HEPES Buffer

5M NaCl

5X Phusion Buffer and Polymerase (NEB #F-530)

10mM dNTPs

96 well V-bottom plate (Axygen #P96450V-C)

DSN kit (Evrogen #EA001)

200 proof EtOH

Microamp clear adhesive seal (AB #4306311)

Buffer EB (found in Qiagen PCR clean up kits)

Magnet stand 96 (Ambion #AM10027)

SPRI beads (Agencourt AMPure #29152)

When the DSN kit arrives, dilute the lyophilized enzyme as such:

Add 5ul DSN storage buffer per 10 DSN units

Incubate at room temp. for 5 min

Add equal volume of 100% glycerol

Mix by gently flicking, and spin briefly

Store diluted enzyme at -20.

#### **Prepare Reaction Mix/Hybridization/DSN Treatment:**

Only do up to 4 reactions per PCR machine, this protocol is very sensitive!

Make 4X hybridization buffer:

For 100ul:

200ul 1M HEPES buffer

400ul 5M NaCl

200ul nuclease free H<sub>2</sub>O

In a .2ml PCR tube mix:

Reagent	Volume (ul)
cDNA sample library (80-100ng)	13.5 (may need to dilute or speed vac depending on library concentration)
4X Hybridization Buffer	4.5
Total Volume per sample	18

Gently pipette to mix, and spin down briefly

Incubate mix in PCR machine:

2 minutes at 98°

5 hours at 68°

Program the PCR machine as such, to include downstream incubations:

98° 2min

68° 5 hours

68° 10min

68° 25min

End

Use heated lid, volume set to 18ul

After the 5 hour hybridization, proceed immediately to **DSN treatment**

For DSN treatment you will need a 68° heat lock located right next to the PCR machine

Dilute 10X Master buffer supplied with the DSN kit to 2X

Pre-heat 2X buffer in 68° heat block next to PCR for 20 minutes prior to end of hyb.

When 5 hours is over, pause PCR machine and add 20ul of 2X DSN buffer to each reaction, leaving everything on the block. Do NOT remove the sample from the PCR machine or buffer tubes from the heat block.

While pipetting out the buffer from the heatblock, keep PCR machine lid closed, pipette directly into sample tube on the PCR machine

Pipette gently up and down 5-8 times to mix

Close the lid and unpause the machine

10 minute incubation

After 10 minutes, pause the machine and add 2ul DSN enzyme to each reaction directly on block using a 2ul pipette

To mix, use a 100ul pipette set to 40ul and pipette up and down 5-8 times Do NOT remove tubes from PCR machine

Close lid and unpause the machine  
25 minute incubation

At the end of 25 minutes, add 40ul of DSN stop solution to each reaction tube, mix by pipetting and spin briefly

You can stop here and store at -20.

### **Purify DSN Treated DNA templates**

**(Copied directly from PDF protocol, nothing tricky here)**

This process purifies DSN treated DNA with SPRI beads.

Consumables User-Supplied:

96-well V-bottom plate

Freshly prepared 80% Ethanol (EtOH)

MicroAmp clean adhesive seal

QIAGEN EB (provided in the MinElute PCR Purification Kit)

SPRI beads

### **Procedure**

1. Transfer 80 µl of the samples from step 10 of the *Add DSN Treatment* procedure to each well of a new, 96-well V-bottom plate.
  2. Vortex the SPRI beads until they are well dispersed, then add 128 µl of well-mixed SPRI beads to each well of the 96-well V-bottom plate that contains the samples.
  3. Gently pipette the entire volume up and down 8 times to mix thoroughly.
  4. Incubate the plate for 5 minutes at room temperature.
  5. Place the plate on the magnetic stand for 8 minutes at room temperature until the liquid appears clear. Do not remove the plate from the magnetic stand.
  6. Remove and discard the supernatant from the plate with a pipette. Take care not to disturb the SPRI beads.
  7. Add 180 µl of freshly prepared 80% EtOH to each well of the plate without disturbing the beads. Do not remove the plate from the magnetic stand.
  8. Incubate the plate for 30 seconds at room temperature, then remove and discard the supernatant from each well using a multichannel pipette.
  9. Repeat steps 6 and 7 once for a total of two 80% EtOH washes.
  10. Seal the plate with a MicroAmp Clean Adhesive Seal.
  11. Remove the plate from the magnetic stand and briefly centrifuge at 1,000 rpm for 10 seconds.
  12. Remove the MicroAmp Clean Adhesive Seal.
  13. Place the plate on the magnetic stand for 30 seconds at room temperature, then remove and discard the EtOH using a 10 µl pipette.
- NOTE** To verify that the solution is clear, use a pipette to extract some supernatant to more closely view the beads. If not all beads are precipitated, carefully return the supernatant to the well without disturbing the pellet.
14. Heat the plate on the pre-heated heat block for 1–2 minutes at 37°C until the pellet appears dry (A PCR machine set to 37° hold works well for this step).
  15. Add 30 µl of QIAGEN EB to the pellet to elute the DNA. Gently pipette the entire volume up and down 5 times to mix thoroughly.
  16. Incubate the plate for 2 minutes at room temperature, then gently pipette the entire volume up and down 10 times to mix thoroughly.
  17. Place the plate on the magnetic stand for 1 minute at room temperature.
  18. Transfer all of the supernatant to a new, nuclease-free, 200 µl PCR tube.
- NOTE** Over-dried beads will contain many cracks in the pellet. If this is the case, place the plate in the magnetic stand. The bead pellet is very light when over-dried and will be easily blown out of the well. If the bead is not dry enough, the DNA recovery rate is lower due to the remaining EtOH.
- NOTE** If the beads are over-dried, you will need to incubate the plate a longer time.

### **Enrich DNA Fragments**

User supplied:

5X Phusion Buffer (Finnzymes only)  
Phusion Polymerase (Finnzymes only)  
10mM dNTP's  
Illumina PCR primer PE1.0  
Illumina PCR primer PE2.0

For a 50ul PCR:

20ul reaction mix (always make at least double the mix, even if doing only one reaction. since such small volumes are needed):

10ul Phusion Buffer  
1ul 10mM dNTPs  
.5ul primer PE1.0  
.5ul primer PE2.0  
.5ul Phusion DNA Polymerase  
7.5ul H2O

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20ul

Add reaction mix to 30ul DSN treated DNA

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50ul final volume

PCR program:

98° 30s

12 cycles of:

98° 10s

65° 30s

72° 30s

72° 5min

10° hold

### **Purify PCR products (taken from PDF protocol)**

This process purifies PCR product with SPRI beads.

Consumables User-Supplied

96-well V-bottom plate

Freshly prepared 80% Ethanol (EtOH)

MicroAmp clean adhesive seal

QIAGEN EB (provided in the MinElute PCR Purification Kit)

SPRI beads

Procedure

1. Transfer 50 µl of the samples from step 3 of the *Enrich DNA Fragments* procedure to each well of a new, 96-well V-bottom plate.
2. Vortex the SPRI beads until they are well dispersed, then add 80 µl of well-mixed SPRI beads to each well of the 96-well V-bottom plate containing samples. Gently pipette the entire volume up and down 8 times to mix thoroughly.
3. Incubate the plate for 5 minutes at room temperature.
4. Place the plate on the magnetic stand for 8 minutes at room temperature until the liquid appears clear. Do not remove the plate from the magnetic stand.
5. Remove and discard the supernatant from the plate with a pipette. Take care not to disturb the SPRI beads.
6. Add 180 µl of freshly prepared 80% EtOH to each well of the plate without disturbing the beads. Do not remove the plate

from the magnetic stand.

**7.** Incubate the plate for 30 seconds at room temperature, then remove and discard the supernatant from each well using a multichannel pipette.

**8.** Repeat steps 6 and 7 once for a total of two 80% EtOH washes.

**9.** Seal the plate with a MicroAmp Clean Adhesive Seal.

**10.** Remove the plate from the magnetic stand and briefly centrifuge at 1,000 rpm for 10 seconds. **11.** Remove the MicroAmp Clean Adhesive Seal.

**12.** Place the plate on the magnetic stand for 30 seconds at room temperature, then remove and discard the EtOH using a 10 µl pipette.

**NOTE** To verify that the solution is clear, use a pipette to extract some supernatant to more closely view the beads. If not all beads are precipitated, carefully return the supernatant to the well without disturbing the pellet. **15 DSN Normalization**  
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**13.** Heat the plate on the pre-heated heat block for 1–2 minutes at 37°C until the pellet appears dry (use PCR machine at 37° hold).

**14.** Add 20 µl of QIAGEN EB to the pellet to elute the DNA. Gently pipette the entire volume up and down 5 times to mix thoroughly.

**15.** Incubate the plate for 2 minutes at room temperature, then gently pipette the entire volume up and down 10 times to mix thoroughly.

**16.** Place the plate on the magnetic stand for 1 minute at room temperature.

**17.** Transfer all of the supernatant to a new, nuclease-free, 200 µl PCR tube (1.5ul eppendorf tube is fine also). Store the tube at -15° to -25°C. The amplification of heavily expressed genes should be reduced in the normalized samples.

**NOTE** Over-dried beads will contain many cracks in the pellet. If this is the case, place the plate in the magnetic stand. The bead pellet is very light when over-dried and will be easily blown out of the well. If the bead is not dry enough, the DNA recovery rate is lower due to the remaining EtOH.

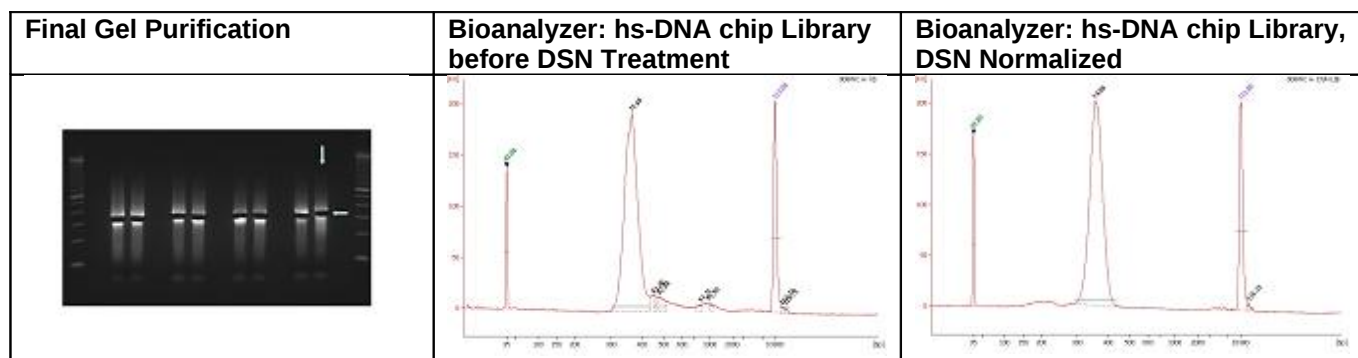
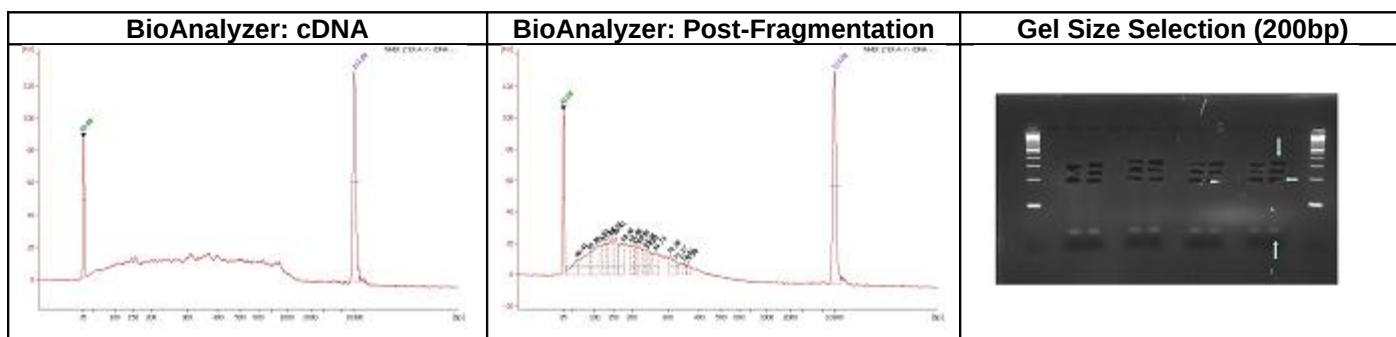
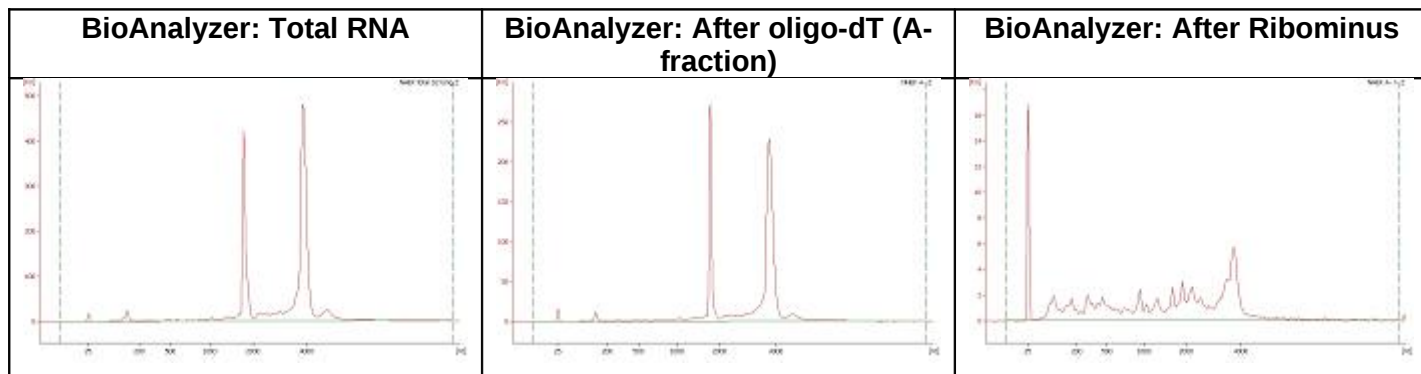
**NOTE** If the beads are over-dried, you will need to incubate the plate a longer time.

Measure concentration with nanodrop

Check DSN normalized library with bioanalyzer on high sensitivity DNA chip

Dilute to 10nM (do not have to use whole library)

Prior to cluster generation we add PhiX at 1%.



\* Sometimes we see a doublet in the BioAnalyzer image of the final library. We take the height of the first peak to represent the library insert size when determining molarity. These doublets are not visible on gels, the libraries sequence fine and show inserts surrounding the first peak size.