ForenSeq DNA Signature Prep Kit Checklist



Amplify and Tag Targets

Purified DNA

- Using nuclease-free water, dilute 1 ng purified DNA input to 0.2 ng/µl.
- **2.** In the Master Mix tube, combine the following volumes per sample:
 - PCR1 (4.7 μl)
 - FEM (0.3 µl)
 - DPMA or DPMB (5 ul)
- **3.** Pipette and centrifuge briefly.
 - [Optional] Distribute master mix among an 8-tube strip.
- **5.** Add 10 µl master mix to the FSP.
- 6. In a 1.7 ml tube, combine:
 - 2800M (2 µl)
 - Nuclease-free water (98 µl)
- **7.** Invert three times and centrifuge briefly.
- 8. Add 5 µl diluted 2800M to the FSP.
- 9. Add 5 µl nuclease-free water to the FSP.
- **10.** Add 5 µl 0.2 ng/µl DNA to the FSP and pipette.
- **11.** Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.
- **12.** Place on the thermal cycler and run the PCR1 program.

SAFE STOPPING POINT

If you are stopping, store the plate at 2°C to 8°C for up to 2 days. Alternatively, leave on the thermal cycler overnight.

Crude Lysate

- 1. In the Master Mix tube, combine the following volumes per sample:
 - PCR1 (4.7 µl)

- FEM (0.3 µl)
- DPMA or DPMB (5 µl)
- Nuclease-free water (3 ul)
- **2.** Pipette and centrifuge briefly.
- [Optional] Distribute master mix among an 8-tube _3. strip.
- **4.** Add 13 µl master mix the FSP.
- **5.** In a 1.7 ml tube, combine:
 - 2800M (2 µl)
 - Nuclease-free water (38 µl)
- 6. Invert three times and centrifuge briefly.
- **7.** Add 2 µl diluted 2800M to the FSP.
- 8. Add 2 µl nuclease-free water to the FSP.
- **9.** Add 2 µl diluted crude lysate to the FSP.
- **10.** Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.
- 11. Place on the thermal cycler and run the PCR1 program.

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FTA Card

- 1. Place a 1.2 mm FTA card punch into each FSP well.
- **2.** Add 100 µl 1X TBE Buffer.
- **3.** Place on a PCR tube storage rack.
- 4. Shake at 1800 rpm for 2 minutes.
- 5. Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.
- 6. Remove and discard all supernatant.
- **7.** Add the following volumes to each control well:
 - PCR1 (4.7 μl)
 - FEM (0.3 μl)
 - DPMA or DPMB (5 ul)
- **8.** In a 1.7 ml tube, combine:
 - 2800M (2 µl)

- Nuclease-free water (98 µl)
- **9.** Invert three times and centrifuge briefly.
- **10.** Add 5 µl diluted 2800M to the positive control wells.
- **11.** Pipette to mix.
- **12.** Add 5 µl nuclease-free water to the negative control wells.
- **13.** Pipette to mix.
- **14.** In the FTA Master Mix tube, combine the following volumes per sample:
 - PCR1 (4.7 μl)
 - FEM (0.3 µl)
 - DPMA or DPMB (5 µl)
 - Nuclease-free water (5 µl)
- **15.** Pipette, and then centrifuge briefly.
- **16.** [Optional] Distribute FTA Master Mix among an 8tube strip.
- **17.** Add 15 µl FTA Master Mix to the FSP.
- **18.** Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.
- **19.** Place on the thermal cycler and run the PCR1 program.

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Enrich Targets

- Centrifuge the FSP at $1000 \times g$ for 30 seconds.
- 2. Place the Index 1 Adapter tubes in the ForenSeq Index Plate Fixture.
- **3.** Place the Index 2 Adapter tubes in the ForenSeq Index Plate Fixture.
- **4.** Place the FSP on the ForenSeg Index Plate Fixture.
- 5. Add index adapters:
 - a. Add 4 µl R7XX down each column.
 - **b.** Replace the cap on each Index 1 Adapter tube.

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c. Add 4 μl A50X across each row.

d. Replace the cap on each Index 2 Adapter tube.

6. Vortex PCR2, and then centrifuge briefly.

[Optional] Distribute PCR2 among an 8-tube strip.
Add 27 µl PCR2.

- **9.** Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.
- **10.** Place on the thermal cycler and run the PCR2 program.

SAFE STOPPING POINT

If you are stopping, store the plate at 2°C to 8°C for up to 7 days. Alternatively, leave on the thermal cycler overnight.

Purify Libraries

- 1. Add 45 µl SPB to the PBP.
- **2.** Centrifuge the FSP at $1000 \times \text{g}$ for 30 seconds.
- **3.** Transfer 45 μ l reaction from the FSP to the PBP.
- 4. Shake at 1800 rpm for 2 minutes.
- **5.** Incubate at room temperature for 5 minutes.
- 6. Place on the magnetic stand until clear.
- **7.** Remove and discard all supernatant.
- 8. Wash as follows.
 - **a.** Add 200 µl fresh 80% EtOH.
 - **b.** Incubate for 30 seconds.
 - Lc. Remove and discard all supernatant.
- **9.** Wash a **second** time.
- **10.** Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.
- **11.** Place on the magnetic stand.
- 12. Remove residual EtOH.
- **13.** Remove from the magnetic stand.
- **14.** Add 52.5 µl RSB.
- **15.** Shake at 1800 rpm for 2 minutes.
- **16.** If necessary, pipette or reshake.
- **7.** Incubate at room temperature for 2 minutes.

18. Place on the magnetic stand until clear.

19. Transfer 50 μl supernatant from the PBP to the PLP. **20.** Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.

SAFE STOPPING POINT

If you are stopping, store the plate at -25°C to -15°C for up to 1 year.

Normalize Libraries

1. In the LNA1/LNB1 Master Mix tube, combine the following volumes per sample:

- LNA1 (46.8 µl)
- LNB1 (8.5 µl)

2. Vortex and invert several times.

- 3. Transfer to a reagent reservoir.
- **4.** Add 45 μl LNA1/LNB1 Master Mix to the NWP.
- 5. To clear any aspirated beads, place the PLP on the magnetic stand until clear.
- 6. Transfer 20 μl supernatant from the PLP to the NWP.
- **7.** Shake at 1800 rpm for 30 minutes.
- **8.** While shaking, perform steps 9–11.
- **9.** In the 0.1 N HP3 tube, combine the following volumes per sample:
 - Nuclease-free water (33.3 µl)
 - HP3 (1.8 µl)
- **10.** Invert several times and set aside.
- **11.** Add 30 µl LNS2 to the NLP.
- 12. Immediately after shaking, place the NWP on the magnetic stand until clear.
- **13.** Remove and discard all supernatant.
- **14.** Remove from the magnetic stand.
- **15.** Wash as follows.
 - **a.** Add 45 µl LNW1 to each well.
 - **b.** Shake at 1800 rpm for 5 minutes.
 - **c.** Place on the magnetic stand until clear.

d. Remove and discard all supernatant.

e.Remove from the magnetic stand.

16. Wash a **second** time.

- **17.** Centrifuge at 1000 × g for 30 seconds.
- **18.** Place on the magnetic stand until clear.
- **19.** Remove residual LNW1.
- **20.** Remove from the magnetic stand.
- **21.** Add 32 µl 0.1 N HP3.
- **22.** Shake at 1800 rpm for 5 minutes.
- **23.** Place on the magnetic stand until clear.
- **24.** Transfer 30 μ l supernatant from the NWP to the NLP.
- **25.** Pipette to mix.
- **26.** Centrifuge at $1000 \times \text{g}$ for 30 seconds.

SAFE STOPPING POINT

If you are stopping, store the plate at -25°C to -15°C for up to 30 days.

Pool Libraries

- 1. Transfer 5 µl of each library to an 8-tube strip.
- 2. Store the NLP at -25°C to -15°C for up to 30 days.
- **3.** Transfer libraries from the 8-tube strip to the PNL tube.
- **4.** Vortex and centrifuge briefly.

SAFE STOPPING POINT

If you are stopping, store the tube at -25°C to -15°C for up to 30 days.

Denature and Dilute Libraries

- 1. In the Denatured HSC tube, combine:
 - HSC (2 μl)
 - HP3 (2 µl)
 - Nuclease-free water (36 µl)

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Pipette gently to mix. Cap and centrifuge briefly to mix.
Incubate at room temperature for 5 minutes.
Add 591 µl HT1 to the DNL tube.
Transfer 7 µl library from the PNL tube to the DNL tube.
Pipette to mix.
Store the PNL tube at -25°C to -15°C for ≤ 30 days.
Add 4 µl denatured HSC to the DNL tube.
Pipette to mix.
O. Vortex and centrifuge briefly.
Place on the microheating system for 2 minutes.
Invert several times to mix.
Immediately cool for 5 minutes.
Transfer entire volume to the reagent cartridge.

Acronyms

Acronym	Definition
2800M	Control DNA 2800M
A50X	Index 2 (i5) Index Adapter
DNL	Diluted Normalized Libraries
DPMA	DNA Primer Mix A
DPMB	DNA Primer Mix B
FEM	Enzyme Mix
FSP	ForenSeq Sample Plate
HP3	2 N NaOH
HSC	Human Sequencing Control
HT1	Hybridization Buffer

Acronym	Definition
LNA1	Library Normalization Additives 1
LNB1	Library Normalization Beads 1
LNS2	Library Normalization Storage Buffer 2
LNW1	Library Normalization Wash 1
NLP	Normalized Library Plate
NWP	Normalization Working Plate
PBP	Purification Bead Plate
PCR1	PCR1 Reaction Mix
PCR2	PCR2 Reaction Mix
PLP	Purified Library Plate
PNL	Pooled Normalized Libraries
R7XX	Index 1 (i7) Index Adapter
RSB	Resuspension Buffer
SPB	Sample Purification Beads