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We are still developing and optimizing this protocol

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Abstract

Protocol for add azide modified nucleotide to 3' end of unmodified DNA oligonucleotide using terminal transferase. Protocol adapted from [Winz et al. 2015](#).

Materials

MATERIALS

✕ Terminal Transferase - 2,500 units **New England Biolabs Catalog #M0315L**

✕ ethanol

✕ N6-(6-Azido)hexyn-3dATP **Jena Bioscience Catalog #NU-1707**

✕ 3M Sodium Acetate solution

TdT reaction

1 Set up TdT reaction

🧪 2.5 μ L 10x Terminal transferase buffer

🧪 10 μ L 2.5mM CoCl₂

🧪 2 μ L 400 μ M template oligo

🧪 1 μ L 10mM N6(6-azido)hexyl-3'-dATP

🧪 2.5 μ L recombinant TdT (20U/ μ L)

🧪 7 μ L nuclease free water

Note

Probably useful to scale up reaction.

2 Incubate at 37°C overnight.

🌡 37 °C Incubate on thermal cycler

🌡 50 °C thermal cycler lid temperature

🕒 12:00:00 incubate overnight

Ethanol precipitate to cleanup

3 Add 1/10th volume sodium acetate and 3x volume ethanol to precipitate azide labelled oligo.

🧪 2.5 μ L 3M sodium acetate

🧪 82.5 μ L 200 proof ethanol

Note

If you want to get rid of excess N6-(6-azido)hexyl-3'-dATP, you may want to use 1/2 volume 7.5M ammonium acetate.

4 Place solution at -80°C for 1 hour to precipitate.

Note

Fine to incubate at -20°C or -80°C for longer.

🌡 -80 °C



01:00:00

5 Centrifuge for 10 minutes to precipitate

00:10:00 Centrifuge at 16,000 x g

4 °C

6 Remove supernatant. Careful not to disturb pellet.

7 Wash sample with 500 µL 70% ethanol

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8 Centrifuge for 2-5 minutes.

00:02:00 Centrifuge at 16,000 x g

9 Remove supernatant. Careful not to disturb pellet.

10 Centrifuge for 1 minute to collect supernatant from the lid and walls.

00:01:00 Centrifuge at 16,000 x g

11 Remove supernatant then dry pellet under vacuum or ambient air.

12 Add 1.8 µL nuclease free water to dissolve dry pellet. Let sit at room temp for ≥20 minutes.

1.8 µL nuclease free water

25 °C incubate at room temperature

00:20:00 incubate at room temperature.

Note

Adding 1.8 µL and assuming ~10% loss. Can be more precise and measure final concentration but beware of residual dATP.

13 Store azide modified oligo at -20°C indefinitely.

-20 °C