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## Abstract

This protocol describes the **single-index** PCR procedure for Parse Biosciences Evercode WT and WT Mega v2 kits. Each subpool is barcoded with a single Illumina index on the 3' end of the cDNA library. This acts as the fourth "round" of cell barcoding and **must be included in the final cell ID/barcode in order to ensure unique barcodes across subpools within an experiment**. The numerical ID and sequence of the Illumina barcode used for each subpool are recorded in experiment metadata and used downstream for subpool demultiplexing after the sequencing run.

## Troubleshooting

## Appendix D2: Sublibrary Single Index PCR

- 1 If using unique dual indexes (UDIs) instead of sublibrary single index primers for indexing, see Section 3.5. Otherwise, replace the entirety of Section 3.5 with the following steps.

**Multiple thermocyclers may be needed for this section** depending on the amount of cDNA added to each sublibrary during the fragmentation reaction. Refer to step next page to determine how many thermocyclers are needed.

- 2 Using a new 1.5 mL tube, combine the **Universal Index Primer** and **Index Primer Mix** to make the **Sublibrary Amplification Mix**. Mix well by pipetting and store on ice.

|                        | A    | B    | C    | D     | E     | F     | G     | H     | I     | J |
|------------------------|------|------|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|---|
| # Sublibraries         | 1    | 2    | 3    | 4     | 5     | 6     | 7     | 8     | 16    |   |
| Index PCR Mix          | 27.5 | 55   | 82.5 | 110   | 137.5 | 165   | 192.5 | 220   | 440   |   |
| Universal Index Primer | 2.2  | 4.4  | 6.6  | 8.8   | 11    | 13.2  | 15.4  | 17.6  | 35.2  |   |
| Total                  | 29.7 | 59.4 | 89.1 | 118.8 | 148.5 | 178.2 | 207.9 | 237.6 | 465.2 |   |

- 3 Add **2 µL of different index primers to each sublibrary** ensuring that no two sublibraries contain the same sublibrary index primer. Make sure to record which sublibrary contains which index primer.
- 4 Add **27 µL Sublibrary Amplification Mix** to the 23 µL sublibrary from the previous step. Pipette up and down 10x with the pipette set to 27 µL to ensure proper mixing, followed by brief centrifugation (~2 sec).
- 5 Place the samples(s) into a thermocycler and run the program below. The number of cycles (X) should be adjusted based on the amount of cDNA added to the fragmentation reaction.

| Run Time | Lid Temperature | Sublibrary Volume |
|----------|-----------------|-------------------|
| ~30 min  | 105C            | 50 uL             |

#### Sublibrary Index Amplification Overview

| Step | Time  | Temperature |
|------|---|-------------|
| 1    | 3 min   | 95C         |
| 2    | 20 sec  | 98C         |
| 3    | 20 sec  | 67C         |
| 4    | 1 min, then go to step 2, repeat X-1 times (X cycles total) | 72C         |
| 5    | 5 min   | 72C         |
| 6    | Hold  | 4C          |

#### Sublibrary Index Amplification

| A                             | B     | C     | D     | E       | F       | G      |
|-------------------------------|-------|-------|-------|---------|---------|--------|
| cDNA in Fragmentation (ng)    | 10-24 | 25-49 | 50-99 | 100-299 | 300-999 | 1,000+ |
| Total PCR cycles required (X) | 13    | 12    | 11    | 10      | 9       | 7      |

#### PCR Cycles based on cDNA in Fragmentation

*Note: cDNA concentration was recorded in step 2.5.18, and 10 µL from each sublibrary should have been added into the fragmentation reaction (step 3.1.2).*

- Sublibraries can be stored at this point at 4°C overnight. If you wish to continue, proceed directly to Section 3.6: Post-Amplification Double-Sided Size Selection.

#### **[STOPPING POINT]**

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