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We use this protocol and it's working

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Abstract

Universal 16S rRNA probe-based-qPCR assay for bacteria.

The primers target the V4 region of the 16S rRNA gene and were specifically designed for Illumina amplicon sequencing. The original primers were designed by Caporaso *et al.* (2012) and modified by Walters *et al.* (2015). For barcoding, we use the **Fludigm Access Array** for barcoding the sample and therefore the primers are synthesized with the CS1 and CS2 regions.

Citation

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Materials

STEP MATERIALS

- ✕ Agarose **Merck MilliporeSigma (Sigma-Aldrich) Catalog #A9539**
- ✕ GeneRuler DNA Ladder Mix **Thermo Fisher Scientific Catalog #SM0331**
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- ✕ PCR H2O **Top Bio Catalog #P040**
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Primers

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	Name	Direction	Sequence ¹	Target region ²
	515Fmod_CS1	Forward	ACA CTG ACG ACA TGG TTC TAC AGT GYC AGC MGC CGC CGT AA	515-533
	806mod_CS2	Reverse	TAC GGT AGC AGA GAC TTG GTC TGG ACT ACN VGG GTW TCT AAT	787-806

1. CS + primer sequence (in bold)

2. Relative to *E. coli* SSU rRNA gene

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PCR reaction

2 Prepare the following master mixture  On ice .

Don't forget to prepare an additional mixture for the negative (NTC) and positive controls, and to account for pipetting errors.

	Reagent	Final. conc.	1 tube (25 µl)	100 reactions (96-well plate; µl)
	PCR H ₂ O		9.3	930
	Fast Start PCR Master (2x)	1x	12.5	1250
	BSA (20 µg/µl)	0.6 µg/µl	0.7	70
	515Fmod-CS1 (10 µM)	0.3 µM	0.75	75
	806R-CS2 (10 µM)	0.3 µM	0.75	75
	Final volume		24	2400



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3 Vortex and spin down 00:00:03

3s

4 Distribute 24 μL of the mixture to each tube and add 1 μL of template DNA or cDNA

PCR reaction

3s

5 Run the following PCR program:

17m 15s

1. 94 °C 00:05:00

2. x 27 {

2.1 94 °C 00:00:45

2.2 50 °C 00:00:45

2.3 72 °C 00:00:45

3. 72 °C 00:10:00

4. 4 °C hold

Evaluate PCR products on an agarose gel

40m

6 Prepare a 1.5% agarose gel by mixing:

100 mL TAE

1.5 g agarose

Heat in the microwave until dissolved and pour into a gel frame.

Place solid gel into an electrophoresis bath filled with TAE buffer.

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- 7 Mix up to  5 μL of the PCR reaction sample with  1 μL of loading dye and load the sample into a well.
In addition load  5 μL of DNA ladder mix (80-10,000 bp) into an empty well, as a marker.
- 8 Run the gel at 110V, 265mA for approx.  00:40:00 40m
- 9 Stain gel for at least 40min in an Ethidium bromide TAE bath (or any other DNA stain).
- 10 Visualise the gel using a gel documentation system.

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