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Abstract

This protocol is designed to sequence MPXV from wastewater samples using a limited amplicon scheme that targets all MPXV clades, subclades, and lineages.

Materials

Q5® High-Fidelity 2X Master Mix: M0492L, AMPure XP beads: A63882, Qubit High Sensitivity DNA kit: Q32851, D5000 ScreenTape: 5067-5589, D5000 Reagents: 5067-5588, MPXV_v1.0_primer sequences,



Viral DNA Amplification

- 1 Prepare the following master mix per sample (+10%):

Reagent	Volume in 10 µl reaction
Q5 Hotstart 2X Master Mix	5
Primer Pool* (10 µM cumulative; 1 µM cumulative final concentration)	1

*Primer stocks are in plate format at 100 µM each. To pool, combine equal volume of each primer (100 µM) into a 1.5 mL tube and dilute the pool to 10 µM (cumulative concentration, 0.8 µM in final reaction). Concentration per primer is as follows: (82 oligos) → $10\text{ }\mu\text{M}/82 = 0.12\text{ }\mu\text{M}$ per oligo (120 nM) or 0.01 µM in the PCR reaction.

*Primer scheme available on Andersen Lab Github (https://github.com/andersen-lab/MPXV_wastewater_sequencing)

- 2 Add 6 µl of PCR master mix to the 96-well PCR reaction plate.
- 3 Add 4 µl sample to the 96-well PCR plates. Mix by pipetting. Seal plates with foil seals and briefly spin down.
- 4 Run the following program on thermocycler:
 - 1) 98°C for 30 sec
 - 2) 95°C for 15 sec
 - 3) 60°C for 5 min
 - Repeat steps 2-3 for a total of 40 cycles
 - 4) 4°C for ∞
- 5 Check the amplification product on the Tapestation with a D5000 ScreenTape. Expected fragment size ~225-275bp. Spot check a couple samples if running multiple.



- 5.1 In a PCR tube, add 1 μ l of amplified PCR product to 5 μ l of sample buffer. Add 1 μ l of D5000 ladder to 5 μ l of sample buffer.
- 5.2 Vortex for 1 min at 2000 rpm. Briefly spin before loading on the Tapestation.

Library Construction

- 6 Combine the tailed primers equimolarly and dilute to 4.1 μ M (50 nM for each primer).
*Each primer will be 2 nM per oligo final concentration in solution.
- 7 Add 90 μ l H₂O to the amplified DNA **OR** add 9 μ l H₂O to 1 μ l amplified DNA to dilute it 10x. Mix by pipetting.
- 8 Prepare the following master mix per sample (+10%):

	Reagent	Volume in 10 μ l reaction
	Q5 Hotstart 2X Master Mix	5
	Tailed primer pool (50 nM per primer; 5 nM final concentration)*	1
	Nuclease-free water	1

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- 9 Aliquot 7 μ l of the PCR master mix in a 96-well PCR reaction plate.
- 10 Add 1 μ l of the unique Barcode i7 primer to each sample (10 μ M; 1 μ M final concentration).
- 11 Add 1 μ l of the unique Barcode i5 primer to each sample (10 μ M; 1 μ M final concentration).



- 12 Add 1 µl amplified PCR product (10x diluted) to the 96-well reaction plates. Mix by pipetting. Seal plates with foil seals and briefly spin down.
- 13 Run the following program on thermocycler:
 - 1) 95°C for 5 min
 - 2) 98°C for 30 sec
 - 3) 60°C for 20 min
 - 4) 72°C for 2 min
 - Repeat steps 2-4 once more
 - 5) 98°C for 30 sec
 - 6) 65°C for 30 sec
 - 7) 72°C for 2 min
 - Repeat steps 5-7 14 more times*
 - 8) 72°C for 5 min
 - 9) 4°C for ∞

*The first part of this PCR ensures that the tailed primers can introduce the adapter overhangs. After that there will be 6 more cycles of PCR. For large batches, this can be lowered (6 total cycles).

Library Clean Up and Quantification

- 14 Allow AMPure XP beads to equilibrate to room temperature, vortex until homogenous.
- 15 Add 7 µl beads to 10 µl of the library PCR product. Mix well by pipetting and incubate at room temp for 10 minutes.
- 16 Place the plate on a magnetic stand and wait until the solution appears clear.
- 17 Discard supernatant without disturbing the beads.
- 18 With the plate on the magnet, add 200 µl of 80% EtOH, incubate for 30 seconds, and remove the EtOH wash.
 - NOTE: do not resuspend the beads in the wash solution. Just make sure the wash covers the beads stuck to the side of the well.
- 19 Repeat the previous 80% EtOH wash step and remove as much EtOH as possible.
 - NOTE: use a P20 pipette tip to remove all excess EtOH.



- 20 Leave the plate on the magnet to air dry for 3 min.
- 21 Remove the plate from the magnet. Add 20 μ l of nuclease-free water and mix well by pipetting. Incubate at room temp for 10 minutes.
- 22 Place the plate on the magnet. When the solution appears clear, remove supernatant without disturbing the beads and place into a new plate.
- 23 Add 199 μ l Qubit HS DNA buffer to a Qubit tube for each sample.
- 24 Add 190 μ l Qubit HS DNA buffer to a Qubit tube for each standard (2).
- 25 Add 10 μ l Qubit HS DNA standard #1 to one standard Qubit tube.
- 26 Add 10 μ l Qubit HS DNA standard #2 to other standard Qubit tube.
- 27 Transfer 1 μ l library from library elution plate to corresponding. Mix well by pipetting.
- 28 Quantify using the Qubit reader.
- 29 Check the library product on the TapeStation with a D5000 ScreenTape. Expected fragment size ~400 bp. Spot check a couple samples if running multiple.

Normalize Libraries and Pool

- 30 Calculate the molarity of the libraries.
- 31 Dilute libraries to a 2nM pool.
- 32 Load sample on the Illumina sequencer according to manufacturer's instructions.

