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Abstract

Non-polyadenylated RNA includes a large subset of crucial regulators of RNA expression and constitutes a substantial portion of the transcriptome, playing essential roles in gene regulation. For example, enhancer RNAs are long non-coding RNAs that perform enhancer-like functions, are bi-directionally transcribed, and usually lack polyA tails. This paper presents a novel method, *seSeq*, that selectively removes mRNA and pre-mRNA from samples to enable the selective sequencing of crucial regulatory elements, including non-polyadenylated RNA such as long non-coding RNA, enhancer RNA, and non-canonical mRNA.



Materials

Required

✕ SuperScript® III First-Strand Synthesis System **Thermo Scientific Catalog #18080-051**

✕ RNase H - 1,250 units **New England Biolabs Catalog #M0297L**

✕ TURBO DNase 2 U/uL **Fisher Scientific Catalog #AM2239**

✕ Agencourt RNAClean XP Magnetic Beads **Beckman Coulter Catalog #A63987**

✕ Ethanol

A thermocycler and a qPCR machine

A magnetic rack

Optional

✕ Luna Universal Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit - 200 rxns **New England Biolabs Catalog #E3006S**

✕ Eukaryotic 18S rRNA Endogenous Control (FAM™/MGB probe, non-primer limited) **Thermo Fisher Catalog #4333760F**

✕ TaqMan™ GAPDH Control Reagents (human) **Thermo Fisher Catalog #402869**

rRNA depletion oligos

Troubleshooting

Before start

Prewarm SuperScript III 10X Buffer to  Room temperature



poly-A tailed cDNA synthesis

- 1 Mix the following in a 0.2ml tube

A	B
Component	Volume (μl)
Total RNA (1-4ug total)	1
Oligo dTs	1.5
10 mM dNTP mix	1.5
Nuclease-free H ₂ O	10

poly-A tailed cDNA reaction synthesis components

- 2 Denature sample RNA/primer mixture for 00:05:00 at 65 °C then cool to 4 °C for ≥ 00:02:00

7m

- 3 Spin tube briefly and add the following and mix by pipetting

55m

A	B
Component	Volume (μl)
10X SuperScript III Buffer	2
25mM MgCl ₂	4
0.1M DTT	2
Superscript III Reverse Transcriptase	2

poly-A tailed cDNA reaction synthesis components

Incubate 50 °C for 00:50:00 followed by 00:05:00 at 85 °C to deactivate the enzyme, then cool to 4 °C and proceed to the next step

Optional: rRNA depletion

- 4 Add in the appropriate rRNA depletion oligos for you sample

2m



Incubate 90 °C for 00:02:00 and ramp down to Room temperature at 0.1 °C per second then proceed to the next step

poly-A tailed (and ribosomal) RNA depletion

5 Add 2 µL of RNase H

6 Incubate 37 °C for 00:20:00 followed by 00:05:00 at 65 °C to deactivate the enzyme, then cool it to 4 °C and proceed to the next step

25m

poly-A tailed (and ribosomal) DNA depletion

7 Add in the following components and mix gently by pipetting

A	B
Component	Volume (µl)
10X Turbo DNase Buffer	4
Turbo DNase	4
Nuclease-free H2O	10

DNase treatment components

8 Incubate at 37 °C for 00:30:00

30m

Bead cleanup

9 Add 90 µl (1.8X) of resuspended RNAClean XP Beads to the sample
Mix by pipetting 10x

10 Incubate 00:15:00 at On ice

15m

11 Place on the magnet, allow the beads to aggregate, and remove and discard the supernatant

12 Add  200 μL  80 % (v/v) ethanol and incubate (still on the magnet) for

30s

 00:00:30

12.1 Remove the supernatant

12.2 Repeat  for a total of 2 washes

13 Air dry for  00:00:30 , don't allow the beads to become cracked

30s

14 Remove the tubes from the magnetic rack

Add  50 μL H₂O (optionally add-in  1 μL RNase inhibitor) and resuspend the beads by pipetting $\geq 10\times$

15 Incubate  00:05:00 at  Room temperature

5m

16 Place on the magnet, aspirate  50 μL of the eluant into a new tube

Optional: One-step RT-qPCR quantification

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A	B
Component	Volume (μl)
Luna Universal Probe One-Step Reaction Mix (2X)	5
Luna WarmStart RT Enzyme Mix (20X)	0.5
TaqMan GAPDH Control Reagents (human; 20x)	0.5
TaqMan 18S rRNA Control Reagents (eukaryotic; 20x)	0.5
RNA	2
Nuclease-free H ₂ O	1.5

Luna RT-qPCR one-step quantification

A	B	C	D	E
<i>Step</i>	<i>Temp (C)</i>	<i>Time (s)</i>	<i>Cycles</i>	<i>Ramp Rate (C/s)</i>
Reverse transcription	55	600	1	2.73
Denaturation	95	60	45	2.73
Denaturation	95	10		2.73
Amplification	60	30		2.11
Capture	60	0		–

Cycle parameters for QuantStudio 3