

SOP intra-FLA bacteria METAGENOMICS

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1. Purpose

The purpose of this procedure is to describe a method to analyze the 16S ribosomal RNA gene in order to study the biodiversity among the pathogenic bacteria from inside Free Living Amoeba (FLA) isolated from water.

2. Procedure description

The workflow of the procedure is:

1. Amplicon PCR using the designed primers
2. Library preparation
3. Sequencing on MiSeq
4. Data analysis of the sequences obtained

2.1 Equipment and Materials

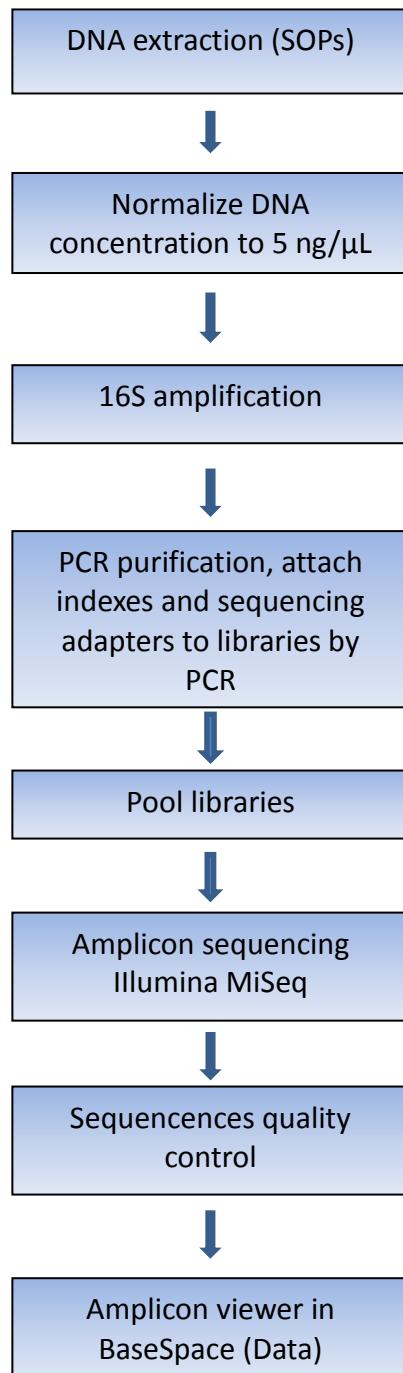
EQUIPMENT:

- Standard benchtop microcentrifuge containing a rotor for 2.0 ml reaction tubes
- Fluorometer. QUBIT™ (Invitrogen)

MATERIALS:

- Micropipettes and tips with aerosol resistant filter
- Sterilized microtubes (0.2-1.5 µL)
- Molecular grade water, nuclease-free
- Quant-iT™ assays kit for use with Qubit.
- KAPA HiFi HotStart ready mix (2X)

WORKFLOW 16S Metagenomic Sequencing preparation



2.2. Amplicon Primers

The specific sequences of the primers used in this protocol target the V3-V4 16S rRNA region. Specificity of the primers were performed *in silico* and *in vitro* with a battery of reference DNAs from different bacteria (preparing data for publication).

16S Amplicon primers:

FORWARD PRIMER

341F: 5'-CCT ACG GGN GGC WGC AG-3' (Herlemann et al., 2011)

REVERSE PRIMER

802R: 5'- TAC NVG GGT ATC TAA TCC-3' (Claesson et al., 2009)

The Illumina overhang adapter sequences to be added to primer-specific sequences are:

Forward overhang :

5'-TCG TCG GCA GCG TCA GAT GTG TAT AAG AGA CAG-3' [primer-specific sequence]

Reverse overhang:

5'- GTC TCG TGG GCT CGG AGA TGT GTA TAA GAG ACA G-3' [primer-specific sequence]

2.3. Procedure

a. PCR

PCR was performed as described by Illumina guide in the documentation provided by Illumina (http://www.illumina.com/content/dam/illumina-support/documents/documentation/chemistry_documentation/16s/16s-metagenomic-library-prep-guide-15044223-b.pdf).

Amplification reaction:

PCR reaction Mix	Volume
Microbial DNA (5 ng/ μ l)	2.5 μ l
Forward Primer 1 μ M	5 μ l
Reverse Primer 1 μ M	5 μ l
2x KAPA HiFi HotStart ReadyMix	12.5 μ l
TOTAL	25 μl

Mix and perform PCR in a thermal cycler using the following program:

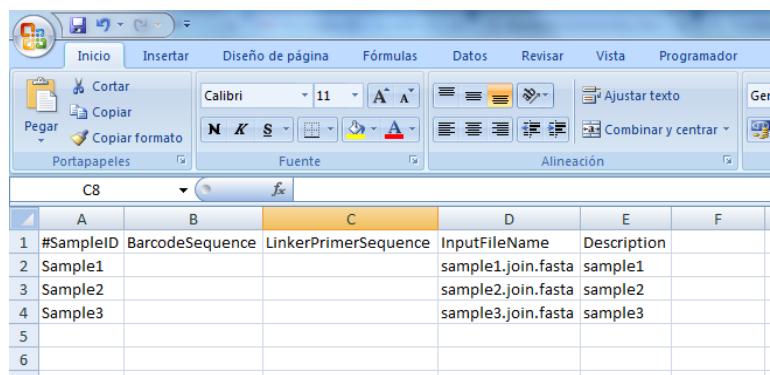
- 95°C for 3 minutes
- 25 cycles of:
 - 95°C for 30 seconds
 - 55°C for 30 seconds
 - 72°C for 30 seconds
- 72°C for 5 minutes
- Hold at 4°C

- b. Steps 2 and 3 (library preparation and sequencing on MiSeq) were performed as described by Illumina guide in the documentation provided by Illumina (http://www.illumina.com/content/dam/illumina-support/documents/documentation/chemistry_documentation/16s/16s-metagenomic-library-prep-guide-15044223-b.pdf)
- c. Bioinformatics data analysis: DNA sequencing data was processed using the QIIME open – source bioinformatics pipeline (Caporaso et al., 2010). OTUs were picked at 97% similarity against the Greengenes database (De Santis et al., 2006) or SILVA database (www.arb-silva.de; Quast et al., 2013)

QIIME WORKFLOW

Data were analyzed using the QIIME 1.8.0 software package (<http://qiime.org/>). The workflow followed consists of the following steps:

Create mapping file in Excel



The screenshot shows a Microsoft Excel spreadsheet titled 'map.txt'. The columns are labeled '#SampleID', 'BarcodeSequence', 'LinkerPrimerSequence', 'InputFileName', and 'Description'. The rows contain data for three samples: Sample1, Sample2, and Sample3. The 'InputFileName' column contains 'sample1.join.fasta', 'sample2.join.fasta', and 'sample3.join.fasta' respectively. The 'Description' column contains 'sample1', 'sample2', and 'sample3' respectively.

#SampleID	BarcodeSequence	LinkerPrimerSequence	InputFileName	Description
1			sample1.join.fasta	sample1
2			sample2.join.fasta	sample2
3			sample3.join.fasta	sample3
4				
5				
6				

The SampleID, BarcodeSequence, LinkerPrimerSequence, and Description headers need to be present.

Save the document in .txt format

a) Validate mapping file

```
validate_mapping_file.py -m map.txt -o validate_mapping_file_output -b -p -j Description
```

In the Linux terminal should appear the message: "No errors or warnings were found in mapping file"

b) Generate a single .fna archive including all your samples

```
add_qiime_labels.py -m map.txt -i FASTA -c InputFileName
```

Resulting archive will be combined_seqs.fna

c) Count number of sequences and get the average length of the sequences

```
count_seqs.py -i combined_seqs.fna -o counted_sequences.txt
```

d) Pick OTUs and assign taxonomy

```
pick_open_reference_otus.py -o otusopen/ -i combined_seqs.fna -r 97_otus.fasta -a -O 2 -p uc_fast_params.txt
```

The archive 97_otus.fasta comes from the greengenes database

(<http://greengenes.secondgenome.com/downloads>)

Previously, create the document uc_fast_params.txt. It should only include the following line:

```
pick_otus:enable_rev_strand_match True
```

A .biom (biological observation matrix) archive is created. It contains OTUs and taxonomy information.

e) Statistics of .biom table

```
biom summarize-table -i otusopen/otu_table_mc2_w_tax_no_pynast_failures.biom -o  
otusopen/statistics.txt
```

f) Convert .biom table into a .txt document

```
biom convert -i otusopen/otu_table_mc2_w_tax_no_pynast_failures.biom -o  
otusopen/table_from_biom.txt -b --header-key taxonomy
```

Now the table_from_biom.txt document can be opened in Excel

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