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///// Product Overview

The NEXTFLEX® Small RNA-Seq Kit v4 with UDIs can be used to prepare small RNA libraries from total RNA or purified small RNA. The NEXTFLEX® Small RNA-Seq Kit v4 with UDIs is designed to greatly reduce formation of adapter-dimer product in small RNA-seq library preparation, allowing completely gel-free library preparation from typical input amounts. This kit is designed to greatly reduce sequence bias in small RNA sequencing library construction, allowing more accurate identification and quantification of microRNAs, piRNAs, and other small RNAs.

Sequencing libraries generated by this kit contain Unique Dual Indices (UDIs), which are designed to specifically address the index-hopping phenomenon associated with Illumina platforms utilizing a patterned flow cell. These UDIs prevent mis-assigned reads from appearing in final datasets, allowing for the highest assurance of data integrity. These indexes work on Illumina[®] instruments such as the MiSeq[®], HiSeq[®] 2000/2500, MiniSeq[®] any NextSeq[®] and NovaSeq[®].

///// Kit Overview

This kit can be used to generate 8, 48, 96 small RNA libraries. The kit contains the necessary reagents to process the user's purified RNA sample through library preparation.

///// Kit Contents, Storage & Shelf Life

The NEXTFLEX® Small RNA-Seq Kit v4 with UDIs contain enough material to prepare 8, 48, 96 RNA samples for Illumina-compatible next-generation sequencing. The shelf life of all reagents is 6 months when stored properly. All components can safely be stored at -20°C, except: NEXTFLEX® Adapter Depletion Solution, Resuspension Buffer, and Nuclease-free Water, which can be stored at room temperature, and NEXTFLEX® Cleanup Beads, which should be stored at 4°C.

| Kit Contents | Cap Color | Amount (8, 48, 96) | Storage Temp. |
|---|---------------------|--------------------------|---------------|
| NEXTFLEX® 3' Adenylated Adapter v4 | RED CAP | 8/48/96 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® 3' Ligation Buffer v4 | RED CAP | 100/600/1,200 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® 3' Ligation Enzyme Mix | RED CAP | $12/72/144\mu\mathrm{L}$ | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® Adapter Depletion Solution | RED CAP | 320/(2)960/4,000 µL | Room Temp. |
| NEXTFLEX® tRNA/YRNA Blockers v4 | RED CAP | 8/48/96 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® Adapter Inactivation Mix v4 | PINK CAP | 32/192/384 µL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® 5' Adapter v4 | LIGHT PURPLE CAP | 8/48/96 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX [®] 5' Ligation Buffer v4 | LIGHT PURPLE CAP | 24/144/288 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® 5' Ligation Enzyme Mix | LIGHT PURPLE CAP | 16/96/192 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® RT Enzyme Mix | BLUE CAP | 16/96/192 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® RT Buffer v4 | BLUE CAP | 56/336/672 µL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® RT Primer v4 | BLUE CAP | 8/48/96 μL | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX° UDI Barcoded Primer Mix v4* (6.25 µM, 4 µL per well) | | 1 Plate | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® Small RNA PCR Master Mix v4 | GREEN CAP | 48/288/576 μL | -20°C |
| Resuspension Buffer | YELLOW CAP | 1/1/(2)1 mL | Room Temp. |
| Nuclease-free Water | WHITE CAP | 1/(2)1.5/10 mL | Room Temp. |
| microRNA Control | CLEAR CAP | $10/(2)10/(2)10\mu L$ | -20°C |
| NEXTFLEX® Cleanup Beads | WHITE CAP BOTTLE | 1/5/10 mL | 4°C |

///// Required Materials Not Provided

- 1 ng 2 μg total RNA or purified small RNA from 1-10 μg total RNA in up to 5 μL Nuclease-free Water
- Isopropanol
- 80% Ethanol
- 2, 10, 20, 200 and 1000 µL pipettes
- RNase-free pipette tips
- Microcentrifuge
- 96 well PCR Plate Non-skirted (Phenix Research, Cat # MPS-499) or similar
- Thin-wall nuclease-free PCR tubes
- Thermal Cycler
- Vortex
- Magnetic Stand -96 (Ambion, Cat # AM10027) or similar

///// Revision History

| Version | Date | Description |
|---------|------------|--------------------------|
| V22.04 | April 2022 | Early Technology Release |
| V22.06 | June 2022 | Product Launch |

///// Warnings and Precautions

We strongly recommend that you read the following warnings and precautions. Periodically, optimizations and revisions are made to the components and manual. Therefore, it is important to follow the protocol included with the kit. If you need further assistance, you may contact your local distributor or contact us at NGS@perkinelmer.com.

- Do not use the kit past the expiration date.
- Try to maintain a laboratory temperature of 20°-25°C (68°-77°F).
- RNA sample quality may vary between preparations. It is the user's responsibility to optimize the initial RNA input amount to obtain desired PCR bands for purification and sequencing. Refer to the Starting Material section for additional information.
- Vortex and centrifuge each component prior to use. To ensure material has not lodged in the cap or side of the tube, centrifuge in a microcentrifuge at >12,000 x g for 5 seconds.
- Do not remove NEXTFLEX® 3' Ligation Enzyme Mix or NEXTFLEX® 5' Ligation Enzyme Mix from -20°C until immediately before use and return to -20°C immediately after use.
- Some total RNA extraction and purification methods may not efficiently isolate small RNAs. Users should verify that their extraction and purification methods also isolate small RNAs.
- Do not freeze NEXTFLEX[®] Cleanup Beads. NEXTFLEX[®] Cleanup Beads should be stored at 4°C and brought to room temperature before use.

//// NEXTFLEX® Small RNA Sample Preparation Flow Chart

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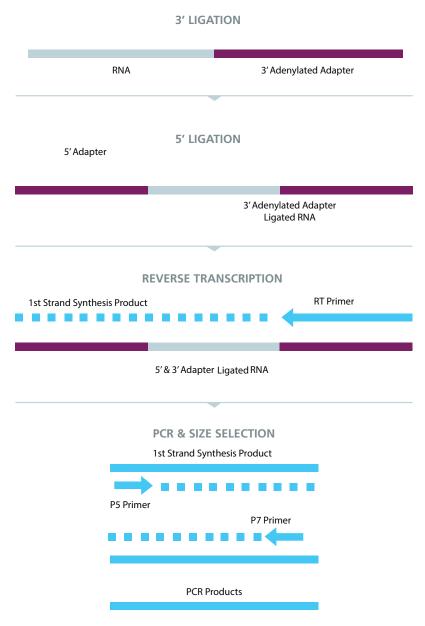


Figure 1. Sample flow chart.

///// Starting Material

The NEXTFLEX° Small RNA-Seq Kit v4 with UDIs has been optimized and validated using total RNA (1 ng - 2 μ g), purified small RNA (from 1 - 10 μ g total RNA), and a synthetic miRNA pool (\geq 100 pg). Best results are obtained with high quality starting material. The use of degraded RNA may result in poor yields or lack of sequencing output data. We recommend running total RNA on a 1 - 2% agarose gel or examining its integrity using an Agilent Bioanalyzer. High quality total RNA preparations should have a 28S band that is twice as intense as the 18S band of ribosomal RNA. At low concentrations, small RNA is difficult to detect on a gel; however, it can be detected using a LabChip° assay or similar.

For very poor-quality samples, diluting the NEXTFLEX[®] 3' Adenylated adapter and the NEXTFLEX[®] 5' Adapter 1/4 with nuclease-free water can help reduce adapter dimer formation. See Table 1 be below for more details. The NEXTFLEX[®] Small RNA-Seq[™] Kit v4 with UDIs is compatible with cell-free RNA, such as RNA isolated from plasma. Users who wish to deplete the abundant tRNA fragments and YRNA fragments found in many types of cell-free RNA should use the NEXTFLEX[®] tRNA/YRNA Blockers (included in kit). When working with cell-free RNA, it is recommended that users input 4 µl of extracted RNA, or 5 µl if not using tRNA/YRNA Blockers.

If the user is performing the procedure for the first time, we recommend using the microRNA Control included in the kit. This positive control sample consists of 21 RNA nucleotides and does not match any known sequence in miRBase. When running a positive control reaction, the user should add 1 μ L of the microRNA Control in STEP A instead of their small RNA sample and expect to observe a strong ~165 bp PCR product following 15 cycles of PCR. The microRNA control may degrade with multiple freeze thaw cycles or exposure to nucleases. If you plan on using the control multiple times, we recommend aliquoting into several tubes and storing at -20°C. For a total RNA positive control, human brain total RNA (Ambion catalog number AM7962 or similar) is recommended.

| Input Amount | PCR Cycles |
|---------------|------------|
| 1 µg | 12 |
| 100 ng | 15 |
| 10 ng | 18 |
| 1 ng | 22* |
| Plasma/Serum | 22* |
| miRNA Control | 15 |

Table 1. Guidelines for different input amounts. Some optimizations may be required.

*When diluting adapters by 1/4, use 24 PCR cycles.

////Reagent Preparation

- 1. Vortex and centrifuge each component prior to use, to ensure material has not lodged in the cap or the side of the tube.
- Allow NEXTFLEX* Cleanup Beads to come to room temperature and vortex the beads until liquid appears homogenous before every use
- 3. Due to the viscosity of certain materials, attempting to prepare more than the stated number of reactions may result in a shortage of materials. All NEXTFLEX* enzyme components must be centrifuged at 600xg for 5 seconds before opening the tube(s). Adapters/barcoded primers supplied in a 96-well plate must be centrifuged at 280xg for 1 minute before removing the plate seal. Adapters/barcoded primers supplied in plates must be centrifuged at 600xg for 5 seconds before opening the tube(s).

IMPORTANT - PLEASE READ

The NEXTFLEX® Small RNA Sequencing Kit v4 protocol requires 6-7 hours for completion. Approximate times to complete each step and safe Stopping Points are noted in the manual; however, careful planning and time management are important for efficient and successful small RNA library preparation. If performing the protocol for the first time, we highly recommend preparing a library with the included microRNA control.



STEP A: NEXTFLEX[®] 3' Adenylated Adapter Ligation

MATERIALS

- RED CAP NEXTFLEX® 3' Adenylated Adapter
- RED CAP NEXTFLEX® 3' Ligation Buffer
- RED CAP NEXTFLEX® 3' Ligation Enzyme Mix
- RED CAP NEXTFLEX® tRNA/YRNA Blockers
- WHITE CAP Nuclease-free Water

User Supplied

- RNA (1 ng 2 μg total RNA or small RNA isolated from total RNA) in up to 5 μL Nuclease- Free Water
- 96-well PCR Plate
- Adhesive PCR Plate Seal
- Thermal Cycler
- Ice

 NOTE: Be sure to mix the following reaction until visibly homogenous by brief vortexing. For each sample, combine the following reagents on ice in a nuclease- free 96well PCR plate. It is recommended to combine these reagents as a master mix if processing multiple samples:

| _μL | RNA |
|----------|--|
| $_\mu L$ | Nuclease-Free Water |
| 1 µL | NEXTFLEX® tRNA/YRNA Blockers (optional) |
| 1 μL | NEXTFLEX [®] 3' Adenylated Adapter |
| 12.5 µL | NEXTFLEX [®] 3' Ligation Buffer |
| 1.5 μL | NEXTFLEX [®] 3' Ligation Enzyme Mix |
| 20 µL | TOTAL |
| | |

- 2. Mix viscous reaction by vortexing for at least 3 seconds until homogenized.
 - Incubate at 25°C for 1 hour in a thermal cycler. Hold at 4°C for at least 5 minutes. For ligations to 2'O-methylated small RNAs, such as those found in plants, incubate at 16°C overnight.
- 4. Proceed immediately to Step B: Adapter Inactivation.

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| | EP B: Exce | ess 3' Adapter Removal | TOTAL 15 MIN |
|-------------|---------------------------|--|-----------------|
| • P | INK CAP - | NEXTFLEX® Adapter Inactivation Buffer | ST |
| | er Supplie | * | EP A |
| • • • | Thermal c Ice | PCR Plate Seal | STEP B |
| 1. | For each s | ample, combine the following reagents on ice in a nuclease-free 96 well PCR plate: | |
| | $20\mu L$ | NEXTFLEX® 3' Adapter Ligated RNA (from Step A) | STEP |
| | 4 μL | NEXTFLEX® Adapter Inactivation Mix | |
| | $24\mu L$ | TOTAL | |
| 2. 3. | Mix viscou Incubate as | s reaction by vortexing for at least 3 seconds until homogenized. follows: | STEP D |
| | 2 min | 70°C | |
| | 5 min | 4°C | |
| | HOLD | 4°C | |
| 4. | Proceed im | mediately to Step C: NEXTFLEX [®] 5' Adapter Ligation. | TEP E |
| | | | S |
| | | | STEP F |
| | | | STEP |

| STE | P C: NEX | FLEX® 5' Adapter Ligation | 30 MIN | 1.5 HR |
|-------------|-------------------|--|--------------|---------|
| MAT | ERIALS | | | |
| • 1 | IGHT PUR | PLE CAP - NEXTFLEX* 5' Adapter PLE CAP - NEXTFLEX* 5' Ligation Buffer PLE CAP - NEXTFLEX* Ligation Enzyme Mix | | |
| Use | er Supplied | | | |
| • • • | Thermal Cy Ice | CR Plate Seal | | |
| 1. | each sample, | ure to mix the following reaction until visibly homogenous by b combine the following reagents on ice in a nuclease- free 96 we ed to combine these reagents as a master mix if processing multi | ll PCR plate | . It is |
| | 24 µL | NEXTFLEX [®] 3' Adapter Ligated RNA (from Step B) | | |
| | 1 μL | NEXTFLEX® 5' Adapter | | |
| | 3 µL | NEXTFLEX [®] 5' Ligation Buffer | | |
| | 2 µL | NEXTFLEX® 5' Ligation Enzyme Mix | | |
| | 30 µL | TOTAL | | |
| 2. 3. | | by vortexing for at least 3 seconds until homogenized. 0°C for 60 minutes in a thermal cycler. | | |
| | 60 min | 20°C | | |
| | 5 min | 4°C | | |
| | HOLD | 4°C | | |
| 4. | Proceed imm | nediately to Step D: Reverse Transcription - First Strand Synthes | sis. | |

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STEP C

| | | | TOTAL |
|----------|-----------------------------|--|--------|
| | P D: Reve and Synth | erse Transcription-First | 1.5 HR |
| MA | TERIALS | | |
| •] | BLUE CAP | - NEXTFLEX® RT Buffer - NEXTFLEX® RT Enzyme Mix - NEXTFLEX® RT Primer | STEP A |
| Us | er Supplied | | |
| • | Thermal cyc Ice | CR Plate Seal cler | STEP B |
| • | 30 µL of 5 | and 3' NEXTFLEX® Adapter Ligated RNA (from Step C) | |
| 1. | | nple, combine the following reagents on ice in a nuclease-free 96 well PCR plate. nended to combine these reagents as a master mix if processing multiple samples: | STEP C |
| | 30 µL | 5' and 3' NEXTFLEX®Adapter Ligated RNA (from Step C) | |
| | 1 μL | NEXTFLEX® RT Primer | |
| | 7 μL | NEXTFLEX® RT Buffer | STEP D |
| | $2\mu L$ | NEXTFLEX® RT Enzyme Mix | D |
| | 40 µL | TOTAL | |
| 2. 3. | Mix reaction Incubate as | n by vortexing for at least 3 seconds until homogenized. follows: | STEP |
| | 60 min | 50°C | Ē |
| | 5 min | 90°C | |
| | 5 min | 4°C | |
| | HOLD | 4°C | STEP |
| 4. | Proceed im | mediately to Step E: Bead Cleanup. | Π |
| st | ored overnight | DINT: Alternatively, the procedure may be stopped at this point with samples at 4°C or up to one week at -20°C. To restart, thaw frozen samples on ice ng to Step E: Bead Cleanup. | STEP G |
| | | | |

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STEP E: Bead Cleanup

MATERIALS

STEP E

| STE | EP F: PCR | Amplification | |
|-----|-------------------|---|-------------|
| MA | TERIALS | | 40-00 10110 |
| | | TFLEX® UDI Barcoded Primer Mix AP - NEXTFLEX® Small RNA PCR Master Mix | STEP A |
| Us | er Supplied | Ł | |
| | Thermal cy Ice | PCR Plate Seal | STEP B |
| 1. | | imple, combine the following reagents on ice in a nuclease-free 96 well PCR plate. mended to combine these reagents as a master mix if processing multiple samples: | STEP |
| | 16 µL | Purified First Strand Synthesis Product (From Step E) | EP C |
| | 4 μL | NEXTFLEX® UDI Barcoded Primer Mix (a different barcoded primer should be used for each sample that will be multiplexed for sequencing) | |
| | 6 µL | NEXTFLEX® Small RNA PCR Master Mix | \sim |
| | 26 µL | TOTAL | STEP D |
| 2. | Cycle as fo | llows: | |
| | 30 sec | <u>98°C</u> | |
| | 10 sec 20 sec | 98°C (See Table 1 on page 9 in Starting 65° C) | STE |
| | 15 sec | 53° Materials for recommendations) 72°C | Ē |
| | 2 min | 72°C | |
| 3. | Proceed in | nmediately to Step G: Size Selection & Cleanup. | STE |
| st | ored up to or | OINT: Alternatively, the procedure may be stopped at this point with samples se week at -20°C. To restart, thaw frozen samples on ice before proceeding to election Cleanup | P F |



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STEP G: Size Selection & Cleanup

MATERIALS

- WHITE CAP Nuclease-Free Water
- YELLOW CAP Resuspension Buffer
- CLEAR CAP BOTTLE NEXTFLEX[®] Cleanup Beads

User Supplied

- 80% Ethanol, freshly prepared
- Magnetic Stand
- 26 µL of PCR Product (from Step F)
- 1. Ensure the volume of all samples is 26 μL . If less, add Nuclease-free Water to bring the entire volume up to 26 μL
- 2. Add 34 µL of NEXTFLEX® Cleanup Beads and mix well by pipetting.
- 3. Incubate for 5 minutes.
- 4. Magnetize sample for 5 minutes or until solution is clear.
- Transfer 56 µL of supernatant to a new well. DO NOT DISCARD SUPERNATANT, this solution contains the amplified product. Take care to not transfer beads along with clear supernatant.
- 6. Remove plate from magnetic stand.
- 7. Add 13 µL of NEXTFLEX® Cleanup Beads to each sample and mix well by pipette.
- 8. Incubate for 5 minutes.
- 9. Magnetize sample for 5 minutes, or until solution appears clear.
- 10. Remove and discard supernatant.
- 11. Add 200 μL of freshly prepared 80% ethanol, incubate for 30 seconds, and remove all of the supernatant. Repeat this step for a total of 2 ethanol washes.
 - IMPORTANT: Always use freshly prepared 80% ethanol and do not incubate the bead pellet with 80% ethanol for extended periods.
- 12. Incubate sample for 3 minutes. After one minute, remove all residual liquid that may have collected at the bottom of the well.
- Remove plate from magnetic stand and resuspend bead pellet in 17 μL of Resuspension Buffer by pipetting volume up and down. Ensure that beads are completely resuspended.
- 14. Incubate for 2 minutes.
- 15. Magnetize sample for 3 minutes or until solution appears clear.
- Transfer 15 μL of supernatant to a new well or clean microcentrifuge tube. This is your sequencing library.
- 17. Check the size distribution of the final library by LabChip® or equivalent and the concentration by Qubit dsDNA HS Assay (Life Technologies).



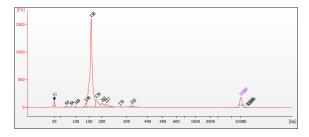


Figure 2. Sample Bioanalyzer HS DNA traces from libraries created from 1 ng human brain total RNA.



Oligonucleotide Sequences

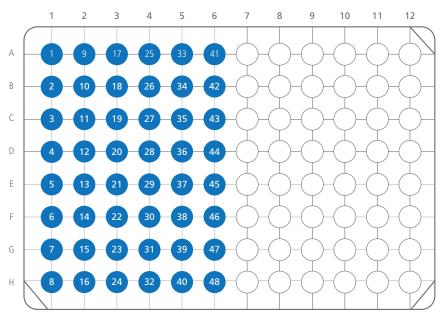
| NEXTFLEX® 3'Adenylated Adapter |
|--|
| 5' rApp /TGGAATTCTCGGGTGCCAAGG/ 3SpC3/ |
| NEXTFLEX® 5'Adapter |
| 5' UCUUUCCCUACACGACGCUCUUCCGAUCU |
| NEXTFLEX® RT Primer |
| 5' CCTTGGCACCCGAGAATTCCA |
| UDI primer 1 – P7 (included in NEXTFLEX UDI Barcoded Primer Mix) |
| 5' CAAGCAGAAGACGGCATACGAGAT <u>XXXXXXX</u> 'GTGACTGGAGTTCCTTGGCACCCGAGAATTCCA |
| UDI primer 2 – P5 (included in NEXTFLEX UDI Barcoded Primer Mix) |
| 5' AATGATACGGCGACCACCGAGATCTACAC <u>XXXXXXX</u> 'ACACTCTTTCCCTACACGACGCTCTTCCGATCT |

XXXXXXXX¹ denotes the P7 index region of the primer. The index sequences that are added to each barcoded library via PCR are listed below. Note: UDI primer 1 contains the reverse complement of the sequence listed under P7 Index. The final library, however, will contain the P7 Index listed below, and the sequencer will read the index as listed below.

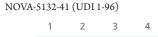
XXXXXXX² denotes the P5 index region of the primer. The index sequences that are added to each barcoded library via PCR are listed below.

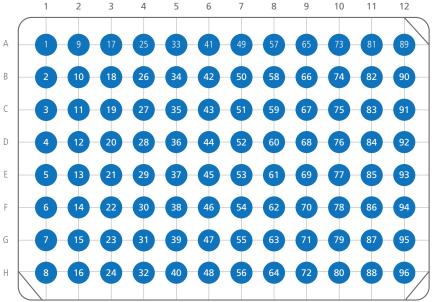
The complete index sequences can be found under the Technical Resources tab at https://perkinelmer-appliedgenomics.com/home/products/library-preparation-kits/small-rna-library-prep/nextflex-small-rna-seq-kit-v4/

When entering index sequences for the Illumina[®] MiniSeq[®], NextSeq[®], HiSeq[®] 3000 or HiSeq[®] 4000 platforms, enter the P5 Index Reverse Complement. For all other Illumina[®] platforms, enter the P5 Index in the first column. For additional information, please email NGS@perkinelmer.com



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