

Ligation sequencing gDNA - native barcoding (SQK-NBD112.24)

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Before start checklist		
Materials	Consumables	Equipment
<input type="checkbox"/> Native Barcoding Kit 24 (SQK-NBD112.24)	<input type="checkbox"/> NEB Blunt/TA Ligase Master Mix (NEB, M0367)	<input type="checkbox"/> Hula mixer (gentle rotator mixer)
<input type="checkbox"/> 400 ng gDNA per sample for >4 barcodes	<input type="checkbox"/> NEBNext FFPE Repair Mix (NEB, M6630)	<input type="checkbox"/> Microfuge
<input type="checkbox"/> 1000 ng gDNA per sample for ≤4 barcodes	<input type="checkbox"/> NEBNext Ultra II End repair/dA-tailing Module (NEB, E7546)	<input type="checkbox"/> Magnetic rack
	<input type="checkbox"/> NEBNext Quick Ligation Module (NEB, E6056)	<input type="checkbox"/> Vortex mixer
	<input type="checkbox"/> 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tubes	<input type="checkbox"/> Thermal cycler
	<input type="checkbox"/> 0.2 ml thin-walled PCR tubes	<input type="checkbox"/> Ice bucket with ice
	<input type="checkbox"/> Nuclease-free water (e.g. ThermoFisher, AM9937)	<input type="checkbox"/> Timer
	<input type="checkbox"/> Freshly prepared 70% ethanol in nuclease-free water	<input type="checkbox"/> Pipettes and pipette tips P2, P10, P20, P100, P200, P1000, Multichannel
	<input type="checkbox"/> Qubit™ Assay Tubes (Invitrogen, Q32856)	
	<input type="checkbox"/> Qubit dsDNA HS Assay Kit (ThermoFisher, cat # Q32851)	
INSTRUCTIONS		NOTES/OBSERVATIONS
DNA repair and end-prep		
<p>Prepare the NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Mix and NEBNext Ultra II End Repair / dA-tailing Module reagents in accordance with manufacturer's instructions, and place on ice.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Thaw all reagents on ice. <input type="checkbox"/> Flick and/or invert the reagent tubes to ensure they are well mixed. Note: Do not vortex the FFPE DNA Repair Mix or Ultra II End Prep Enzyme Mix. <input type="checkbox"/> Always spin down tubes before opening for the first time each day. <input type="checkbox"/> The Ultra II End Prep Buffer and FFPE DNA Repair Buffer may have a little precipitate. Allow the mixture to come to RT and pipette the buffer up and down several times to break up the precipitate, followed by vortexing the tube for 30 seconds to solubilise any precipitate. Note: It is important the buffers are mixed well by vortexing. <input type="checkbox"/> The FFPE DNA Repair Buffer may have a yellow tinge and is fine to use if yellow. 		
IMPORTANT		
<input type="checkbox"/> Do not vortex the NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Mix or NEBNext Ultra II End Prep Enzyme Mix.		
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<input type="checkbox"/> It is important that the NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Buffer and NEBNext Ultra II End Prep Reaction Buffer are mixed well by vortexing.		

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<p><input type="checkbox"/> Thaw the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) at RT and mix by vortexing. Keep the beads at RT.</p> <p>In clean 0.2 ml thin-walled PCR tubes, prepare your DNA sample:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> For >4 barcodes, aliquot 400 ng per sample</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> For ≤4 barcodes, aliquot 1000 ng per sample</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Make up each sample to 12 µl using Nuclease-free water. Mix gently by pipetting and spin down.</p> <p>Combine the following components per sample:</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 0.875 µl NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Buffer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 0.875 µl Ultra II End-prep reaction buffer</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 0.75 µl Ultra II End-prep enzyme mix</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> 0.50 µl NEBNext FFPE DNA Repair Mix</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Mix well by pipetting and spin down in a centrifuge.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Using a thermal cycler, incubate at 20°C for 5 minutes and 65°C for 5 minutes.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Transfer the sample to a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Resuspend the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) by vortexing.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add 15 µl of resuspended AMPure XP Beads (AXP) to each end-prep reaction and mix by flicking the tube.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Incubate on a Hula mixer (rotator mixer) for 5 minutes at RT.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Prepare 500 µl of fresh 70% ethanol in Nuclease-free water.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spin down the samples and pellet the beads on a magnet until the eluate is clear and colourless. Keep the tubes on the magnet and pipette off the supernatant.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Keep the tube on the magnet and wash the beads with 200 µl of freshly prepared 70% ethanol without disturbing the pellet. Wait for the beads to migrate towards the magnet and form a pellet. Remove the ethanol using a pipette and discard.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Repeat the previous step.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Briefly spin down and place the tube back on the magnet. Pipette off any residual ethanol. Allow to dry for 30 seconds, but do not dry the pellet to the point of cracking.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Remove the tube from the magnetic rack and resuspend the pellet in 10 µl Nuclease-free water. Spin down and incubate for 2 minutes at RT.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pellet the beads on a magnet until the eluate is clear and colourless.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Remove and retain 10 µl of eluate into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.</p>	
<p>Quantify 1 µl of each eluted sample using a Qubit fluorometer.</p>	
<p>Take forward an equimolar mass of each sample to be barcoded forward into the native barcode ligation step. However, you may store the samples at 4°C overnight.</p>	

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<p>Native barcode ligation</p> <p>Prepare the NEB Blunt/TA Ligase Master Mix according to the manufacturer's instructions, and place on ice:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Thaw the reagents at RT. <input type="checkbox"/> Spin down the reagent tubes for 5 seconds. <input type="checkbox"/> Ensure the reagents are fully mixed by performing 10 full volume pipette mixes. <p><input type="checkbox"/> Thaw the EDTA at RT and mix by vortexing. Then spin down and place on ice.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Thaw the native barcodes at RT. Use one barcode per sample. Individually mix the barcodes by pipetting, spin down, and place them on ice.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Select a unique barcode for each sample to be run together on the same flow cell. Up to 24 samples can be barcoded and combined in one experiment.</p> <p>In clean 0.2 ml thin-walled PCR tubes, add the reagents in the following order per sample:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 7.5 µl End-prepped DNA <input type="checkbox"/> 2.5 µl Native barcode <input type="checkbox"/> 10 µl Blunt/TA Ligase Master Mix <p><input type="checkbox"/> Thoroughly mix the reaction by gently pipetting and briefly spinning down.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Incubate for 20 minutes at RT.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add 2 µl of EDTA to each tube and mix thoroughly by pipetting and spin down briefly.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Pool the barcoded samples in a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Resuspend the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) by vortexing.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Add AMPure XP Beads (AXP) to the pooled reaction, and mix by pipetting for a 0.4X clean.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Incubate on a Hula mixer (rotator mixer) for 10 minutes at RT.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Prepare 2 ml of fresh 70% ethanol in Nuclease-free water.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spin down the sample and pellet on a magnet for 5 minutes. Keep the tube on the magnetic rack until the eluate is clear and colourless, and pipette off the supernatant.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Keep the tube on the magnetic rack and wash the beads with 700 µl of freshly prepared 70% ethanol without disturbing the pellet. Remove the ethanol using a pipette and discard.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Repeat the previous step.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Spin down and place the tube back on the magnetic rack. Pipette off any residual ethanol. Allow the pellet to dry for ~30 seconds, but do not dry the pellet to the point of cracking.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Remove the tube from the magnetic rack and resuspend the pellet in 35 µl Nuclease-free water by gently flicking.</p>	

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<input type="checkbox"/> Incubate for 10 minutes at 37°C. Every 2 minutes, agitate the sample by gently flicking for 10 seconds to encourage DNA elution. <input type="checkbox"/> Pellet the beads on a magnetic rack until the eluate is clear and colourless. <input type="checkbox"/> Remove and retain 35 µl of eluate into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.	
Quantify 1 µl of eluted sample using a Qubit fluorometer.	
Take forward the barcoded DNA library to the adapter ligation and clean-up step. However, you may store the sample at 4°C overnight.	
Adapter ligation and clean-up	
IMPORTANT <input type="checkbox"/> Adapter Mix II H (AMII H) used in this kit and protocol is not interchangeable with other sequencing adapters.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Thaw the Elution Buffer (EB) and NEBNext Quick Ligation Reaction Buffer (5x) at RT, mix by vortexing, spin down and place on ice. Check the contents of each tube are clear of any precipitate. <input type="checkbox"/> Spin down the Quick T4 Ligase and the Adapter Mix II H (AMII H), and place on ice.	
IMPORTANT Depending on the wash buffer (LFB or SFB) used, the clean-up step after adapter ligation is designed to either enrich for DNA fragments of >3 kb, or purify all fragments equally. <input type="checkbox"/> To enrich for DNA fragments of 3 kb or longer, use Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) <input type="checkbox"/> To retain DNA fragments of all sizes, use Short Fragment Buffer (SFB)	
<input type="checkbox"/> To enrich for DNA fragments of 3 kb or longer, thaw one tube of Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) at RT, mix by vortexing, spin down and place on ice. <input type="checkbox"/> To retain DNA fragments of all sizes, thaw one tube of Short Fragment Buffer (SFB) at RT, mix by vortexing, spin down and place on ice. In a 1.5 ml Eppendorf LoBind tube, mix in the following order: <input type="checkbox"/> 30 µl Pooled barcoded sample <input type="checkbox"/> 5 µl Adapter Mix II H (AMII H) <input type="checkbox"/> 10 µl NEBNext Quick Ligation Reaction Buffer (5X) <input type="checkbox"/> 5 µl Quick T4 DNA Ligase <input type="checkbox"/> Thoroughly mix the reaction by gently pipetting and briefly spinning down. <input type="checkbox"/> Incubate the reaction for 20 minutes at RT.	
IMPORTANT <input type="checkbox"/> The next clean-up step uses Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) or Short Fragment Buffer (SFB) rather than 70% ethanol to wash the beads. The use of ethanol will be detrimental to the sequencing reaction.	
<input type="checkbox"/> Resuspend the AMPure XP Beads (AXP) by vortexing.	

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<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Add 20 µl of resuspended AMPure XP Beads (AXP) to the reaction and mix by pipetting. <input type="checkbox"/> Incubate on a Hula mixer (rotator mixer) for 10 minutes at RT. <input type="checkbox"/> Spin down the sample and pellet on the magnetic rack. Keep the tube on the magnet and pipette off the supernatant. <input type="checkbox"/> Wash the beads by adding either 125 µl Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) or Short Fragment Buffer (SFB). Flick the beads to resuspend, spin down, then return the tube to the magnetic rack and allow the beads to pellet. Remove the supernatant using a pipette and discard. <input type="checkbox"/> Repeat the previous step. <input type="checkbox"/> Spin down and place the tube back on the magnet. Pipette off any residual supernatant. Allow to dry for ~30 seconds, but do not dry the pellet to the point of cracking. <input type="checkbox"/> Remove the tube from the magnetic rack and resuspend the pellet in 15 µl Elution Buffer (EB). <input type="checkbox"/> Spin down and incubate for 10 minutes at 37°C. Every 2 minutes, agitate the sample by gently flicking for 10 seconds to encourage DNA elution. <input type="checkbox"/> Pellet the beads on a magnet until the eluate is clear and colourless, for at least 1 minute. <input type="checkbox"/> Remove and retain 15 µl of eluate containing the DNA library into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube. 	
<p>Quantify 1 µl of eluted sample using a Qubit fluorometer.</p>	
<p>IMPORTANT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> We recommend loading 5 - 10 fmol of this final prepared library onto the flow cell. 	
<p>The prepared library is used for loading onto the flow cell. Store the library on ice until ready to load.</p>	
<p>Priming and loading the SpotON flow cell</p>	
<p>IMPORTANT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> The Kit 12 chemistry runs at 30°C on nanopore sequencing devices. This is several degrees cooler than other chemistries. While the protocol was initially developed on GridION and PromethION, we also support its use on MinION Mk1C, as the MinION Mk1C device's temperature control allows the flow cell to be maintained at 30°C for the duration of the run. However, we cannot guarantee the same level of temperature control on the MinION Mk1B. Therefore, if you are running Kit 12 chemistry on the MinION Mk1B, ensure that the ambient temperature does not exceed 23°C. 	
<p>Using the Loading Solution</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Thaw the Sequencing Buffer II (SBI), Loading Beads II (LBI) or Loading Solution (LS, if using), Flush Tether (FLT) and one tube of Flush Buffer (FB) at RT before mixing the reagents by vortexing and spin down at RT. <input type="checkbox"/> To prepare the flow cell priming mix, add 30 µl of thawed and mixed Flush Tether (FLT) directly to the tube of thawed and mixed Flush Buffer (FB), and mix by vortexing at RT. 	

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<p><input type="checkbox"/> Open the MinION lid and slide the flow cell under the clip. Press down firmly on the flow cell to ensure correct thermal and electrical contact.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Slide the flow cell priming port cover clockwise to open the priming port.</p>	
<p>IMPORTANT</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Take care when drawing back buffer from the flow cell. Do not remove more than 20-30 μl, and make sure that the array of pores are covered by buffer at all times. Introducing air bubbles into the array can irreversibly damage pores.</p>	
<p>After opening the priming port, check for a small air bubble under the cover. Draw back a small volume to remove any bubbles:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Set a P1000 pipette to 200 μl <input type="checkbox"/> Insert the tip into the priming port <input type="checkbox"/> Turn the wheel until the dial shows 220-230 μl, to draw back 20-30 μl, or until you can see a small volume of buffer entering the pipette tip <p>Note: Visually check that there is continuous buffer from the priming port across the sensor array.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Load 800 μl of the priming mix into the flow cell via the priming port, avoiding the introduction of air bubbles. Wait for five minutes. During this time, prepare the library for loading by following the steps below.</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Thoroughly mix the contents of the Loading Beads II (LBII) by pipetting.</p>	
<p>IMPORTANT</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> The Loading Beads II (LBII) tube contains a suspension of beads. These beads settle very quickly. It is vital that they are mixed immediately before use.</p>	
<p>In a new tube, prepare the library for loading as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> 37.5 μl Sequencing Buffer II (SBI) <input type="checkbox"/> 25.5 μl Loading Beads II (LBII) mixed immediately before use, or Loading Solution (LS), if using <input type="checkbox"/> 12 μl DNA library <p>Complete the flow cell priming:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Gently lift the SpotON sample port cover to make the SpotON sample port accessible. <input type="checkbox"/> Load 200 μl of the priming mix into the flow cell priming port (not the SpotON sample port), avoiding the introduction of air bubbles. <input type="checkbox"/> Mix the prepared library gently by pipetting up and down just prior to loading. <input type="checkbox"/> Add 75 μl of the prepared library to the flow cell via the SpotON sample port in a dropwise fashion. Ensure each drop flows into the port before adding the next. <input type="checkbox"/> Gently replace the SpotON sample port cover, making sure the bung enters the SpotON port and close the priming port. 	
<p>IMPORTANT</p> <p><input type="checkbox"/> Install the light shield on your flow cell as soon as library has been loaded for optimal sequencing output.</p>	

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<p>Place the light shield onto the flow cell, as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> Carefully place the leading edge of the light shield against the clip. Note: Do not force the light shield underneath the clip. <input type="checkbox"/> Gently lower the light shield onto the flow cell. The light shield should sit around the SpotON cover, covering the entire top section of the flow cell. 	
<p>Close the device lid and set up a sequencing run on MinKNOW.</p>	
<p>Flow cell reuse and returns</p>	
<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> After your sequencing experiment is complete, if you would like to reuse the flow cell, please follow the Flow Cell Wash Kit protocol and store the washed flow cell at 2-8°C. <input type="checkbox"/> Alternatively, follow the returns procedure to flush out the flow cell ready to send back to Oxford Nanopore. 	
<p>IMPORTANT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <input type="checkbox"/> If you encounter issues or have questions about your sequencing experiment, please refer to the Troubleshooting Guide that can be found in the online version of this protocol. 	