

# **HaloPlex Target Enrichment System**

**For Illumina Sequencing**

## **Protocol**

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## In this Guide...

This guide describes an optimized protocol for using the Agilent HaloPlex target enrichment system to prepare sequencing library samples for Illumina paired-end multiplexed sequencing platforms.

### **1 Before You Begin**

This chapter contains information (such as procedural notes, safety information, required reagents and equipment) that you should read and understand before you start an experiment.

### **2 Sample Preparation**

This chapter describes the steps of the HaloPlex workflow, to prepare target-enriched sequencing libraries for the Illumina platform.

### **3 Reference**

This chapter contains reference information, including component kit contents, index sequences, and optional gel validation instructions.

## What's New in Version D.4

- Support for HaloPlex Cancer Research Panel designs ([Table 2](#) on page 10, [Table 7](#) on page 28, and [Table 12](#) on page 48)
- Updated Custom Kit ordering information ([page 10](#))
- Updated supplier information for NaOH and acetic acid ([Table 1](#) on page 9) and updated preparation instructions for NaOH ([page 29](#))
- New Run Time Considerations section ([page 15](#))
- Support for FFPE-derived DNA samples (see Note on [page 16](#))
- Updated instructions for preparation of RE Master Mix Strip ([Figure 2](#) and associated steps [page 17](#) to [page 19](#))
- Instructions for obtaining Agilent's SureCall analysis software ([page 46](#))

## What's New in Version D.3

- Updated instructions for determination of hybridization time by referral to Box 1 Certificate of Analysis ([page 28](#))
- Updated instructions for use of Enzyme Strips 1 and 2 ([page 16](#) and [page 18](#))
- Support for 12-reaction run setup ([page 15](#) to [page 33](#))
- Update to enriched library purification protocol ([step 9](#) on [page 36](#))

## What's New in Version D.2

- Updated URL for design of HaloPlex probes ([www.agilent.com/genomics/suredesign](http://www.agilent.com/genomics/suredesign); see [page 13](#))
- Support for 48-reaction kits ([Table 1](#) and [Table 12](#) to [Table 14](#))
- Update to TapeStation sample analysis instructions to emphasize importance of mixing step during TapeStation sample preparation ([page 24](#) and [page 40](#))

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## Before You Begin

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Make sure you read and understand the information in this chapter and have the necessary equipment and reagents listed before you start an experiment.



## Procedural Notes

- The protocols in this manual are for use with Agilent's G9901A, G9901B, G9901C, G9911A, G9911B, G9911C, G9921A, G9921B, G9921C, G9903A, and G9903B HaloPlex Target Enrichment System kits. The protocol is not compatible with earlier versions of HaloPlex reagent kits, including Agilent part numbers G9900A, G9900B, and G9900C.
- The HaloPlex protocol is optimized for digestion of 200 ng of genomic DNA (split among 8 different restriction digestion reactions) plus 25 ng excess DNA, for a total of 225 ng genomic DNA. Using lower amounts of DNA in the enrichment protocol can adversely affect your results. Use a fluorometry-based DNA quantitation method, such as PicoGreen stain or Qubit fluorometry to quantify the DNA starting material.
- Always keep pre-amplification and post-amplification DNA samples in separate work areas. Perform the enrichment procedure in the pre-amplification area. Open and store the amplified, enriched DNA samples only in the post-amplification area.
- Possible stopping points, where DNA samples may be stored between steps, are marked in the protocol. Store the samples at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$ , but do not subject the samples to multiple freeze/thaw cycles.
- Ensure that master mixes are thoroughly mixed, by pipetting up-and-down or by gentle vortexing, before distributing to the samples.
- In general, follow Biosafety Level 1 (BL1) safety rules.

## Safety Notes

### CAUTION

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) when working in the laboratory.
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## Required Reagents

**Table 1** Required Reagents for HaloPlex Target Enrichment

Description	Vendor and part number
HaloPlex Target Enrichment System Kit	Select the appropriate kit for your probe design from <a href="#">Table 2</a>
Herculase II Fusion Enzyme with dNTPs (100 mM; 25 mM for each nucleotide), 200 reactions*	Agilent p/n 600677
Nuclease-free Water (not DEPC-treated)	Ambion Cat #AM9930
Agencourt AMPure XP Kit 5 mL 60 mL	Beckman Coulter Genomics p/n A63880 p/n A63881
10 M NaOH, molecular biology grade	Sigma, p/n 72068
2 M acetic acid	Sigma, p/n A8976
10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0 or 10 mM Tris-acetate, pH 8.0	General laboratory supplier
100% Ethanol, molecular biology grade	Sigma-Aldrich p/n E7023
Quant-iT dsDNA BR Assay Kit, for use with the Qubit fluorometer	
100 assays, 2-1000 ng	Life Technologies p/n Q32850
500 assays, 2-1000 ng	Life Technologies p/n Q32853

\* Also available separately as Herculase II Fusion DNA Polymerase, 40 reactions (Agilent p/n 600675) and 100 mM dNTP Mix (Agilent p/n 200415, sufficient for 1000 HaloPlex enrichment reactions).

## 1 Before You Begin

### Required Reagents

To select a HaloPlex Target Enrichment System Reagent Kit, use Agilent's SureDesign tool at [www.agilent.com/genomics/suredesign](http://www.agilent.com/genomics/suredesign) to design a custom panel or to select a pre-designed panel. Reagent kit ordering information is supplied as part of the SureDesign process and is summarized in [Table 2](#) below.

**Table 2** HaloPlex Target Enrichment System Kits for Illumina Sequencing

HaloPlex Probe Design	Part Number
Custom Panel Tier 1 <sup>*</sup> , ILM, 96 reactions	G9901B
Custom Panel Tier 1 <sup>*</sup> , ILM, 48 reactions	G9901C
Custom Panel Tier 2 <sup>†</sup> , ILM, 96 reactions	G9911B
Custom Panel Tier 2 <sup>†</sup> , ILM, 48 reactions	G9911C
Custom Panel Tier 3 <sup>‡</sup> , ILM, 96 reactions	G9921B
Custom Panel Tier 3 <sup>‡</sup> , ILM, 48 reactions	G9921C
Cancer Research Panel, ILM, 96 reactions	G9903B
Cancer Research Panel, ILM, 16 reactions	G9903A

\* Tier 1 designs are 1-500 kb and up to 20,000 probes.

† Tier 2 designs are 0.5-2.5 Mb OR 1-500 kb with >20,000 probes.

‡ Tier 3 designs are 2.6 Mb-5 Mb.

#### NOTE

This protocol is also compatible with discontinued products G9901A (16 reaction kit for Tier 1 designs), G9911A (16 reaction kit for Tier 2 designs) and G9921A (16 reaction kit for Tier 3 designs).

Kits contain enough reagents for 96, 48, or 16 reactions total, including one or more control reactions using Enrichment Control DNA (ECD) samples. Each run of up to 96 samples should include one ECD control enrichment reaction.

## Required Equipment

**Table 3** Required Equipment for HaloPlex Target Enrichment

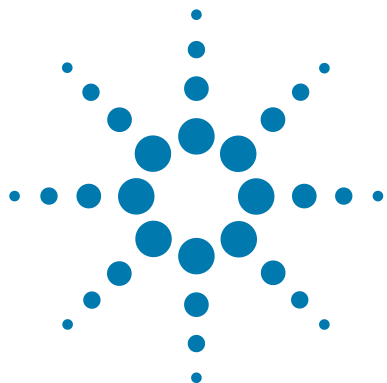
Description	Vendor and part number
Thermal Cycler	Agilent SureCycler 8800, p/n G8800A and 96 well plate module, p/n G8810A or equivalent thermal cycler and accessories *
Thermal cycler-compatible 96-well plates	Agilent p/n 401333 (for SureCycler 8800) or see manufacturer's recommendations
8-well PCR strip tubes with caps	Nippon Genetics, p/n FG-088WF, or equivalent
96-well plate and strip tube-compatible magnetic separator	Agencourt SPRIPlate Super Magnet Plate p/n A32782, or equivalent
1.5 mL tube-compatible magnetic separator	DynaMag-2 magnet, Life Technologies p/n 12321D, or equivalent
Benchtop microcentrifuge	VWR p/n 93000-196, or equivalent
Benchtop plate centrifuge	Labnet International MPS1000 Mini Plate Spinner p/n C1000, or equivalent
Multichannel pipettes (10- $\mu$ L and 100- $\mu$ L volume)	Pipetman or equivalent
P10, P20, P200 and P1000 pipettes	Pipetman P10, P20, P200, P1000 or equivalent
Adhesive seals for 96-well PCR plates	Agilent p/n 410186, or equivalent
Qubit 2.0 Fluorometer	Life Technologies p/n Q32866
Qubit assay tubes	Life Technologies p/n Q32856
Ice bucket	General laboratory supplier
Vortex mixer	General laboratory supplier

\* Thermal cycler must have a maximum reaction volume specification of at least 100  $\mu$ L and must be compatible with 0.2 mL tubes.

## Optional Validation Reagents and Equipment

**Table 4** Reagents and Equipment for Optional Validation Methods

Description	Vendor and part number
2200 TapeStation Platform and Consumables	
2200 TapeStation	Agilent p/n G2964AA or G2965AA
High Sensitivity D1K ScreenTape	Agilent p/n 5067-5363
High Sensitivity D1K Reagents	Agilent p/n 5067-5364
2100 Bioanalyzer Platform and Consumables	
2100 Bioanalyzer Laptop Bundle	Agilent p/n G2943CA
2100 Bioanalyzer Electrophoresis Set	Agilent p/n G2947CA
High Sensitivity DNA Kit	Agilent p/n 5067-4626
Gel Electrophoresis Platform and Consumables	
XCell SureLock Mini-cell	Life Technologies p/n EI0001
Novex 6% Polyacrylamide, TBE Pre-cast Gels	Life Technologies p/n EC62655BOX
Novex TBE Running Buffer, 5X	Life Technologies p/n LC6675
Novex High-density TBE Sample Buffer, 5X	Life Technologies p/n LC6678
GelRed Nucleic Acid Stain, 3X in water	Biotium p/n 41001
DNA molecular weight markers	General laboratory supplier
UV-transilluminator	General laboratory supplier



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This section contains instructions for gDNA library target enrichment for sequence analysis using the Illumina platform. For each sample to be sequenced, an individual target-enriched, indexed library is prepared.

The target region can vary from 1 kb to 5 Mb. Custom HaloPlex probes must be designed before purchasing the kit using Agilent's SureDesign tool at [www.agilent.com/genomics/suredesign](http://www.agilent.com/genomics/suredesign).

The HaloPlex Target Enrichment System amplifies thousands of targets in the same reaction, incorporating standard Illumina paired-end sequencing motifs in the process. During hybridization, each sample can be uniquely indexed, allowing for pooling of up to 96 samples per sequencing lane.

See [Figure 1](#) for a summary of the overall HaloPlex target enrichment workflow.



## 2 Sample Preparation

1) Digest genomic DNA.



2) Hybridize the HaloPlex probe library in presence of the Indexing Primer Cassette. Hybridization results in gDNA fragment circularization and incorporation of indexes and Illumina sequencing motifs.



3) Capture target DNA-probe hybrids. Biotinylation of probe DNA allows capture using streptavidin-coated magnetic beads.



4) PCR amplify targeted fragments to produce a sequencing-ready, target-enriched sample.



**Figure 1** Overall HaloPlex target-enriched sequencing sample preparation workflow.

## Run Size Considerations

Kits contain enough reagents for 48 or 96 reactions total, including control reactions using the provided Enrichment Control DNA (ECD). Each run that uses independently-prepared reagent master mixes should include one ECD control enrichment reaction.

The following protocol includes volumes appropriate for 12-sample runs. When planning a run size different from 12 samples, you will need to adjust volumes of components accordingly. Calculate the amount of each solution needed for the number of reactions in your run, plus 2 reactions excess for the restriction digestion steps and 1 reaction excess for the remaining steps. For example, for a 24 reaction run, calculate amounts of each solution by multiplying the single reaction value by 26 for restriction digestion steps and by 25 for hybridization and later steps.

A 96-reaction kit contains enough reagents to prepare master mixes for eight runs of 12 samples each for a total of 96 samples. When processing samples using runs with fewer than 12 samples, some reagents may be depleted before 96 samples are run.

A 48-reaction kit contains enough reagents to prepare master mixes for four runs of 12 samples each, for a total of 48 samples. When processing samples using runs with fewer than 12 samples, some reagents may be depleted before 48 samples are run.

## Run Time Considerations

Before you begin, refer to the Certificate of Analysis provided with Box 1 of your kit to determine the hybridization duration appropriate for your design. After reviewing the duration of this and other steps in the protocol, plan the start time for your experiment accordingly.

Designs containing <20,000 probes use a 3-hour hybridization time, and DNA digestion through PCR steps (see [Figure 1](#)) are typically run in the same day. Designs containing >20,000 probes use a 16-hour hybridization time, which is typically completed overnight, with the DNA digestion step started in the afternoon.

## Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

In this step, gDNA samples are digested by 16 different restriction enzymes to create a library of gDNA restriction fragments.

### NOTE

Successful enrichment using the protocol in this guide requires high-quality DNA samples. Before you begin, verify that the genomic DNA samples have an OD 260/280 ratio ranging from 1.8 to 2.0. Verify the size distribution of DNA in each DNA preparation by gel electrophoresis. Any smearing below 2.5 kb indicates sample degradation.

For HaloPlex target enrichment of FFPE-derived DNA samples, see Agilent publication no. G9900-90050, available at <http://www.genomics.agilent.com>. This publication provides a PCR-based protocol for assessment of DNA integrity and provides HaloPlex protocol modifications for improved performance from lower-quality DNA samples.

- 1 Use the Qubit dsDNA BR Assay or PicoGreen staining kit to determine the concentration of your gDNA samples.

Follow the manufacturers instructions for the kits and instruments.

### NOTE

Use a fluorometry-based DNA quantitation method, such as Qubit fluorometry or PicoGreen staining, to accurately quantify the DNA starting material.

In the protocol below, 200 ng genomic DNA is split among eight different restriction digests, with an additional 25 ng excess DNA included to allow for pipetting losses. Using <225 ng DNA in the enrichment protocol can result in low yield and can potentiate rare allele dropouts.

- 2 Prepare the DNA samples for the run. For 12-reaction runs, prepare 11 gDNA samples and one Enrichment Control DNA sample.
  - a In separate 0.2-mL PCR tubes, dilute 225 ng of each gDNA sample in 45  $\mu$ L nuclease-free water, for a final DNA concentration of 5 ng/ $\mu$ L. Store on ice.
  - b In a separate 0.2-mL PCR tube, dispense 45  $\mu$ L of the supplied Enrichment Control DNA (ECD). Store on ice.

### NOTE

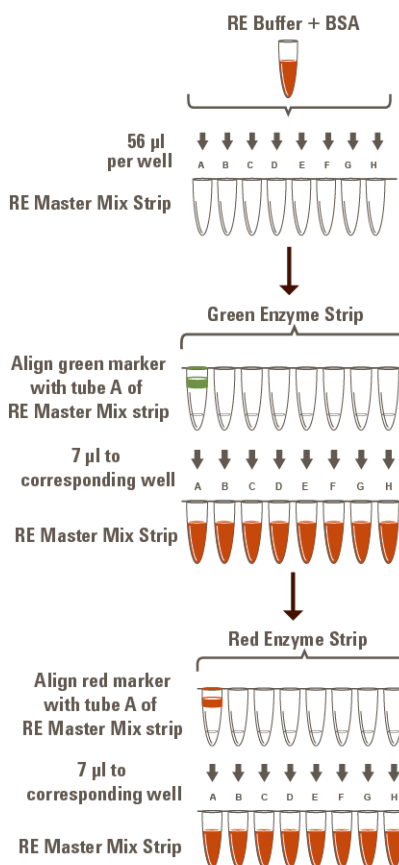
Although specific instructions are provided for the typical 12-sample run size, runs may include up to 96 samples. Include one ECD control sample per run of 2-96 samples. See [page 15](#) for additional run size considerations.



## Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

## 3 Prepare the Restriction Enzyme Master Mix strip.

The gDNA is digested in eight different restriction reactions, each containing two restriction enzymes. **The 16 restriction enzymes are provided in two 8-well strip tubes that are distinguished by red and green color markers.** Enzymes are combined from corresponding wells of the red- and green-marked strip tubes, along with restriction buffer and BSA to make eight different RE Master Mixes. [Figure 2](#) illustrates how to prepare the 8-well Restriction Enzyme Master Mix strip for a 12-sample run using the steps detailed on [page 18](#).



**Figure 2** Preparation of the Restriction Enzyme Master Mix Strip for 12-sample run.

## 2 Sample Preparation

### Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

- a Combine the amounts of RE Buffer and BSA Solution indicated in the table below in a 1.5-mL tube. Mix by vortexing briefly.

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
RE Buffer	34.0 $\mu$ L	476 $\mu$ L
BSA Solution	0.85 $\mu$ L	11.9 $\mu$ L
<b>Total Volume</b>	<b>34.85 <math>\mu</math>L</b>	<b>487.9 <math>\mu</math>L</b>

- b To begin preparation of the Restriction Enzyme Master Mix Strip, dispense the appropriate volume of the RE Buffer/BSA mixture to each well of an 8-well strip tube.

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
RE Buffer/BSA mixture	4 $\mu$ L	56 $\mu$ L

#### CAUTION

It is important to use the restriction enzyme tube strip in the proper orientation when preparing the RE Master Mixes as described below. The red or green color marker on the tube strip and cap strip is positioned adjacent to well A of each enzyme strip.

- c Using a multichannel pipette, add the appropriate volume of each enzyme from the Green Enzyme Strip, with green marker aligned with tube A, to corresponding tubes A to H of the Restriction Enzyme Master Mix Strip.

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
RE Enzymes from Green Enzyme Strip	0.5 $\mu$ L	7 $\mu$ L

## Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

- d** Using a multichannel pipette, add the appropriate volume of each enzyme from the Red Enzyme Strip, with red marker aligned with tube A, to each corresponding tube A to H of the same Restriction Enzyme Master Mix Strip.

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
RE Enzymes from Red Enzyme Strip	0.5 $\mu$ L	7 $\mu$ L

- e** Mix by gentle vortexing and then spin briefly.
- f** Keep the Restriction Enzyme Master Mix Strip on ice until it is used in [step 4](#).
- 4** Aliquot the Restriction Enzyme Master Mixes to the rows of a 96-well plate to be used as the restriction digest reaction plate.
- a** Align the Restriction Enzyme Master Mix Strip, prepared in [step 3](#), along the vertical side of a 96-well PCR plate as shown below.
- b** Using a multichannel pipette, carefully distribute 5  $\mu$ L of each RE master mix row-wise into each well of the plate.
- For runs with >12 samples, continue distributing 5  $\mu$ L from the same RE Master Mix strip row-wise into each well of the additional plates.
- Visually inspect pipette tips for equal volumes before dispensing to the plate(s).

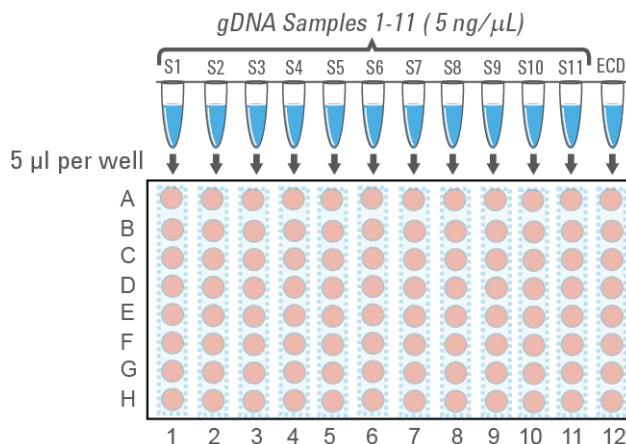


Each row of the 96-well plate now contains 5  $\mu$ L per well of the same restriction enzyme combination.

## 2 Sample Preparation

### Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

- 5 Aliquot DNA samples into the 96-well Restriction Digest Reaction Plate(s).
  - a Align the DNA samples (11 gDNA samples and the ECD sample), prepared in [step 2](#), along the horizontal side of the digestion reaction plate(s) as shown below.



- b Carefully distribute 5 µL of DNA samples column-wise into each well of the digestion reaction plate.

If using a multichannel pipette, visually inspect pipette tips for equal volumes before dispensing.
  - c Seal the plate thoroughly with adhesive plastic film.
- 6 Carefully vortex the plate to mix the digestion reactions.
- 7 Briefly spin the plate in a plate centrifuge.

Wells of the prepared 96-well plate now contain complete 10-µL restriction digestion reactions. In this format, each column corresponds to one DNA sample digested in eight different restriction reactions.

## Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

- 8 Place the Restriction Digest Reaction Plate in a thermal cycler and run the program in [Table 5](#), using a heated lid.

**Table 5** Thermal cycler program for HaloPlex restriction digestion

Step	Temperature	Time
Step 1	37°C	30 minutes
Step 2	8°C	Hold

**NOTE**

Do **not** pool the eight restriction digests for a single DNA sample at this time. Restriction enzymes are still active and will catalyze inappropriate cleavage events if DNA samples are pooled before enzyme inactivation. DNA samples are pooled during the hybridization step on [page 27](#), upon which restriction enzymes are inactivated by the reaction conditions.

## 2 Sample Preparation

### Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

- 9 Validate the restriction digestion reaction by electrophoretic analysis of the Enrichment Control DNA (ECD) reactions.

Keep the Restriction Digest Reaction Plate on ice during validation.

- a Transfer 4  $\mu$ L of each ECD digestion reaction from wells of the digestion reaction plate to fresh 0.2-mL PCR tubes.
- b Incubate the removed 4- $\mu$ L samples at 80°C for 5 minutes to inactivate the restriction enzymes.
- c Analyze the prepared samples using microfluidic electrophoresis on the 2100 Bioanalyzer (see [page 23](#)) or on the 2200 TapeStation (see [page 24](#)) or by gel electrophoresis (see [page 25](#)).

The ECD sample contains genomic DNA mixed with an 800-bp PCR product that contains restriction sites for all the enzymes used in the digestion protocol. When analyzing validation results, the undigested control should have gDNA bands at >2.5 kbp and a PCR product band at 800 bp. Each of the eight digested ECD samples should have a smear of gDNA restriction fragments between 100 and 2500 bp, overlaid with three predominant bands at approximately 125, 225 and 450 bp. These three bands correspond to the 800-bp PCR product-derived restriction fragments, and precise sizes will differ after digestion in each of the eight RE master mixes.

#### NOTE

In addition to the three predominant bands at approximately 125, 225 and 450 bp, you may detect additional, minor bands in the digested ECD sample lanes.

Successful digestion is indicated by the appearance of the three predominant bands. The presence of additional minor bands, with relative abundance similar to the additional bands visible in [Figure 3](#), [Figure 4](#), and [Figure 5](#) does not impact enrichment results.

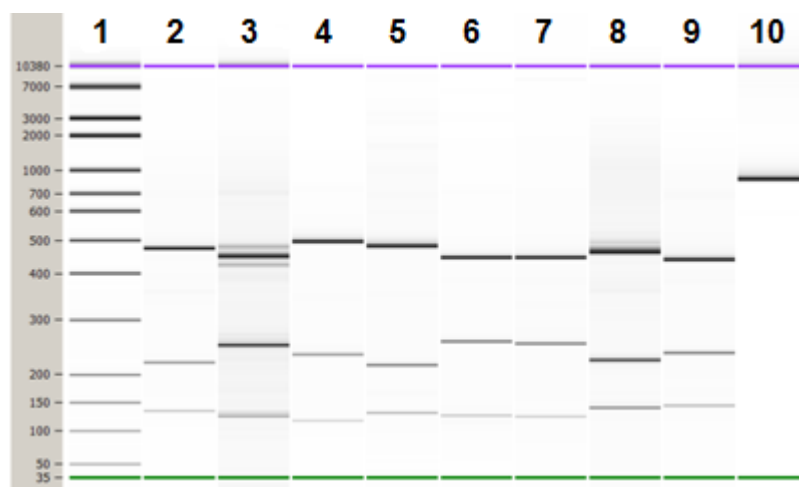
It is acceptable for band intensities in digestion reaction B to be slightly reduced, compared to the other digestion reactions.

**Option 1: Validation by 2100 Bioanalyzer analysis**

Use a High Sensitivity DNA Kit (p/n 5067-4626) and the 2100 Bioanalyzer system with 2100 Expert Software (version B.02.07 or higher required to run the High Sensitivity Kit). See the reagent kit guide for general Bioanalyzer system setup instructions.

- Prepare an undigested DNA gel control by combining 0.5  $\mu\text{L}$  of the Enrichment Control DNA stock solution and 3.5  $\mu\text{L}$  of nuclease-free water.
- Prepare the chip, samples and ladder as instructed in the reagent kit guide, using 1  $\mu\text{L}$  of each ECD sample and undigested DNA control for the analysis.
- When loading samples on the chip, load the DNA ladder in the ladder sample well marked on the chip. Load the eight ECD digest samples (A to H) in sample wells 1 to 8, and load the undigested ECD sample in sample well 9. Do not run the undigested ECD control in sample well 1.
- Place the prepared chip into the 2100 Bioanalyzer instrument and start the run within five minutes after preparation.

See [Figure 3](#) for sample Bioanalyzer electrophoresis results.



**Figure 3** Validation of restriction digestion by 2100 Bioanalyzer system analysis. Lane 1: 50-bp DNA ladder, Lanes 2-9: ECD digestion reactions A–H, Lane 10: Undigested Enrichment Control DNA.

## 2 Sample Preparation

### Step 1. Digest genomic DNA with restriction enzymes

#### Option 2: Validation by 2200 TapeStation analysis

Use a High Sensitivity D1K ScreenTape (p/n 5067-5363) and reagent kit (p/n 5067-5364). For more information to do this step, see the *2200 TapeStation User Manual*.

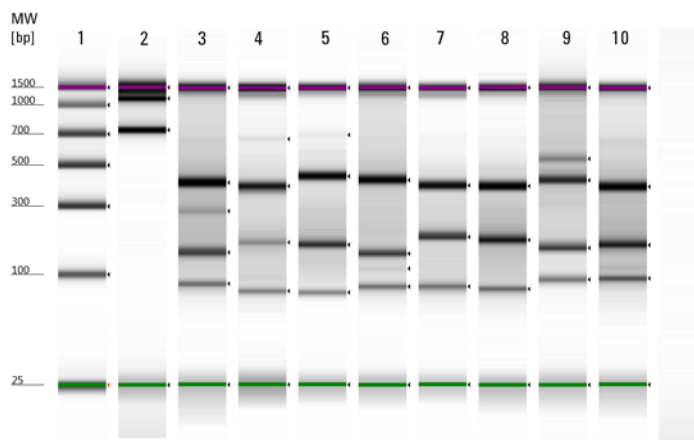
- Prepare an undigested DNA gel control by combining 1  $\mu$ L of the Enrichment Control DNA solution and 1  $\mu$ L of nuclease-free water.
- Prepare the TapeStation samples as instructed in the *2200 TapeStation User Manual*. Use 2  $\mu$ L of each ECD sample diluted with 2  $\mu$ L of High Sensitivity D1K sample buffer in separate wells of a tube strip for the analysis.

#### CAUTION

Make sure that you thoroughly mix the combined DNA and High Sensitivity D1K sample buffer on a vortex mixer for 5 seconds for accurate results.

- Load the sample tube strip, the High Sensitivity D1K ScreenTape, and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation as instructed in the *2200 TapeStation User Manual*. Start the run.

See [Figure 4](#) for sample TapeStation electrophoresis results



**Figure 4** Validation of restriction digestion by 2200 TapeStation analysis. Lane 1: TapeStation D1K High-Sensitivity Ladder, Lane 2: Undigested Enrichment Control DNA, Lanes 3–10: ECD digestion reactions A–H.



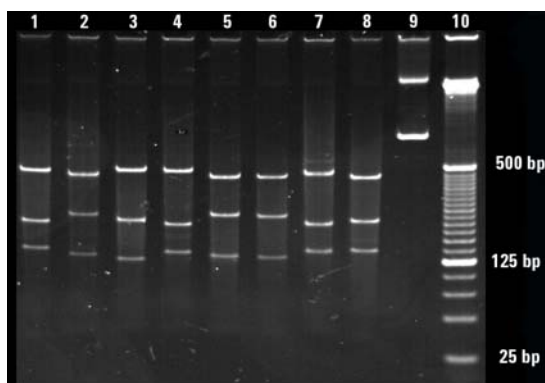
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**Option 3: Validation by gel electrophoresis**

Use a Novex 6% polyacrylamide TBE pre-cast gel and 1X Novex TBE Running Buffer. For more information to do this step, consult the manufacturer's recommendations.

- Prepare an undigested DNA gel control by combining 2  $\mu$ L of the Enrichment Control DNA stock solution and 2  $\mu$ L of nuclease-free water.
- Add 1  $\mu$ L of Novex Hi-Density TBE Sample Buffer (5X) to each 4- $\mu$ L ECD sample.
- Load 5  $\mu$ L of each sample on the gel. In one or more adjacent lanes, load 200 ng of a 50-bp DNA ladder.
- Run the gel at 210 V for approximately 15 minutes.
- Stain the gel in 3X GelRed Nucleic Acid Stain for 10 minutes, and visualize bands under UV radiation.

See [Figure 5](#) for sample gel results.



**Figure 5** Validation of restriction digestion by gel electrophoresis. Lanes 1–8: ECD digestion reactions A–H, Lane 9: Undigested Enrichment Control DNA, Lane 10: 25-bp DNA ladder.

**Stopping Point** If you do not continue to the next step, samples may be stored at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  for long-term storage. There are no more long-term stopping points until after the PCR amplification step on [page 35](#).

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### Step 2. Hybridize digested DNA to HaloPlex probes for target enrichment and sample indexing

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In this step, the collection of gDNA restriction fragments is hybridized to the HaloPlex probe capture library. The duration of the hybridization reaction is determined by the probe density of your design. Refer to the Certificate of Analysis provided with Box 1 of your kit to determine the hybridization conditions appropriate for your design. If the Certificate of Analysis provided with your custom probe does not include the hybridization time, please see the Note on [page 28](#) for more information.

HaloPlex probes are designed to hybridize selectively to fragments originating from target regions of the genome and to direct circularization of the targeted DNA fragments. During the hybridization process, Illumina sequencing motifs including index sequences are incorporated into the targeted fragments.

For sample indexing primer assignments, see “[Nucleotide Sequences of HaloPlex Indexes](#)” on page 52 for nucleotide sequences of the 96 indexes used in the HaloPlex Target Enrichment System.

- 1 Prepare a Hybridization Master Mix by combining the reagents in [Table 6](#). Mix well by gentle vortexing, then spin the tube briefly.

**Table 6** Hybridization Master Mix

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
Hybridization Solution	50 $\mu$ L	650 $\mu$ L
HaloPlex Probe	20 $\mu$ L	260 $\mu$ L
<b>Total Volume</b>	<b>70 <math>\mu</math>L</b>	<b>910 <math>\mu</math>L</b>

- 2 Distribute 70  $\mu$ L of the Hybridization Master Mix to each of 12 0.2-mL tubes.

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- 3 Add 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of the appropriate Indexing Primer Cassette to each tube containing Hybridization Master Mix.

Be sure to add only one specific Indexing Primer Cassette to each hybridization tube, using different indexes for each sample to be multiplexed. Record the identity of the Indexing Primer Cassette added to each tube for later sequence analysis.

- 4 Transfer digested DNA samples from the 96-well Restriction Digest Reaction Plate(s) directly into the hybridization reaction tubes prepared in [step 3](#).

Transfer all eight digestion reactions that correspond to one DNA sample into the appropriate hybridization reaction tube. After addition of each individual digest reaction to the hybridization solution, mix by pipetting before adding the next digest reaction to ensure complete inactivation of the enzymes.

**CAUTION**

Do **not** pool the digestion samples before adding to the hybridization reaction mixture as restriction enzymes are still active and may catalyze inappropriate cleavage events.

For the ECD sample, add 32  $\mu\text{L}$  of nuclease-free water, in addition to the digested DNA samples, to compensate for the volume removed for digest validation.

After pooling, each hybridization reaction contains the following components:

- 70  $\mu\text{L}$  Hybridization Master Mix
- 10  $\mu\text{L}$  Indexing Primer Cassette
- approximately 80  $\mu\text{L}$  pooled digested DNA samples

**NOTE**

Due to partial evaporation of samples, you may recover less than 10  $\mu\text{L}$  of each restriction digest. Minor reductions to the digested DNA pool volume will not impact hybridization performance; you do not need to compensate for any sample evaporation volume losses in the final pool.

- 5 Vortex the mixtures briefly and then spin tubes briefly.

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- 6 Place the hybridization reaction tubes in a thermal cycler. Run the appropriate program in [Table 7](#), using the hybridization duration listed on the Certificate of Analysis.

Use a heated lid. Do **not** include a low-temperature hold step in the thermal cycler program. Incubation at 54°C for more than the indicated time is not recommended.

**Table 7** Thermal cycler program\* for HaloPlex probe hybridization

Step	Temperature	Time (Duration of Step)	
		Cancer Research Panel and designs with <20,000 probes (see Certificate of Analysis) <sup>†</sup>	Designs with >20,000 probes (see Certificate of Analysis) <sup>‡</sup>
Step 1	95°C	10 minutes	10 minutes
Step 2	54°C	3 hours	16 hours

\* Thermal cyclers that use calculated temperature methods cannot be set to 160 µL reaction volumes. In that case, enter the maximum possible volume.

† Typical 1-500 kb designs contain <20,000 probes. Please refer to the Certificate of Analysis included with your probe to determine the appropriate hybridization time.

‡ Typical 501 kb-5 Mb designs and some 1-500 kb designs contain >20,000 probes. Please refer to the Certificate of Analysis included with your probe to determine the appropriate hybridization time.

#### NOTE

If the Certificate of Analysis provided with your custom probe does not include hybridization time information, use the following guidelines:

For 1–500 kb designs, hybridize for 3 hours, unless you were notified by Agilent to use hybridization conditions for larger designs (16-hour hybridization).

For 501 kb–2.5 Mb designs, hybridize for 16 hours.

For 2.5–5 Mb designs, hybridize for 16 hours.

#### CAUTION

Make sure that the thermal cycler has a maximum reaction volume specification of at least 100 µL.

The 160-µL HaloPlex hybridization reaction conditions have been optimized with the SureCycler thermal cycler (with volume specification of 10-100 µL for PCR reactions). The performance of other thermal cyclers for this application should be verified before use.

## Step 3. Capture the target DNA

In this step, the circularized target DNA-HaloPlex probe hybrids, containing biotin, are captured on streptavidin beads.

- 1 Remove reagents to be used in upcoming protocol steps from cold storage and allow the solutions to reach room temperature:
  - From  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  storage, remove the Capture Solution, Wash Solution, Ligation Solution and SSC Buffer.
  - From  $+4^{\circ}\text{C}$  storage, remove the HaloPlex Magnetic Beads.
- 2 Obtain or prepare 0.5  $\mu\text{L}$  per sample, plus excess, of 2 M acetic acid, for use on [page 33](#).

### NOTE

Use a high-quality 2 M acetic acid solution. See [Table 1](#) on page 9 for 2 M acetic acid supplier information, or prepare 2 M acetic acid from high-quality glacial acetic acid.

- 3 Prepare 25  $\mu\text{L}$  per sample, plus excess, of fresh 50 mM NaOH for use in the DNA elution step on [page 34](#).

Prepare the 50 mM NaOH solution from a 10M NaOH stock solution.

### CAUTION

Using high-quality NaOH is critical for optimal DNA elution and recovery.

- Do not use stock NaOH solutions that were stored at concentrations below 10 M to prepare the 50 mM NaOH solution.
- Keep the 50 mM NaOH solution container sealed when not in use, especially when processing large numbers of samples per run.

- 4 Vigorously resuspend the provided HaloPlex Magnetic Beads on a vortex mixer. The magnetic beads settle during storage.

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### Step 3. Capture the target DNA

- 5 Prepare 40  $\mu\text{L}$  (1 Volume) of HaloPlex Magnetic Beads per hybridization sample, plus excess, for the capture reaction:

- a Transfer the appropriate volume of bead suspension to a 1.5-mL tube.

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
HaloPlex Magnetic Bead suspension	40 $\mu\text{L}$	520 $\mu\text{L}$

- b Put the tube into a 1.5 mL tube-compatible magnetic rack for 5 minutes.
- c After verifying that the solution has cleared, carefully remove and discard the supernatant using a pipette.
- d Add an equivalent volume of Capture Solution to the beads and resuspend by pipetting up and down.

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
Capture Solution	40 $\mu\text{L}$	520 $\mu\text{L}$

- 6 Remove the hybridization reactions from the thermal cycler and immediately add 40  $\mu\text{L}$  of the prepared bead suspension to each 160- $\mu\text{L}$  hybridization reaction.

#### NOTE

When adding beads to the hybridization reactions, visually inspect the bead preparation to ensure a homogenous suspension with no aggregated bead mass at the bottom of the tube. If aggregation is present, thoroughly resuspend the beads by vortexing and pipetting up and down before use.

- 7 After adding the magnetic beads, mix the capture reactions thoroughly by pipetting up and down 15 times using a 100- $\mu\text{L}$  pipette set to 80  $\mu\text{L}$ .
- 8 Incubate the capture reactions at room temperature for 15 minutes.
- 9 Briefly spin the tubes in a desktop centrifuge and then transfer the tubes to the Agencourt SPRIPlate Super Magnet magnetic plate.

#### NOTE

Use the Agencourt SPRIPlate Super Magnet magnetic plate for the remainder of magnetic bead collection steps for samples in PCR tubes or strip tubes.

**10** Wait for the solution to clear (about 30 seconds), then remove and discard the supernatant using a pipette set to 200  $\mu$ L.

**11** Wash the bead-bound samples:

- a** Remove the capture reaction tubes from the magnetic plate and add 100  $\mu$ L of Wash Solution to each tube.
- b** Resuspend the beads thoroughly by pipetting up and down 10 times using a 100- $\mu$ L multichannel pipette set to 80  $\mu$ L.
- c** Incubate the tubes in a thermal cycler at 46°C for 10 minutes, using a heated lid.

Do **not** include a low-temperature hold step in the thermal cycler program following the 10-minute incubation.

- d** Briefly spin the tubes in a desktop centrifuge at room temperature and then transfer the tubes to the magnetic plate.
- e** Wait for the solution to clear (about 30 seconds), then carefully remove and discard the supernatant using a pipette set to 120  $\mu$ L. If necessary, carefully remove any residual liquid with a 20- $\mu$ L volume pipette.

## Step 4. Ligate the captured, circularized fragments

In this step, DNA ligase is added to the capture reaction to close nicks in the circularized HaloPlex probe-target DNA hybrids.

- 1 Prepare a DNA ligation master mix by combining the reagents in the following table.

Mix the components thoroughly by gentle vortexing then spin the tube briefly.

**Table 8** Preparation of DNA ligation master mix

Reagent	Volume for 1 Reaction	Volume for 12 Reactions (includes excess)
Ligation Solution	47.5 $\mu$ L	617.5 $\mu$ L
DNA Ligase	2.5 $\mu$ L	32.5 $\mu$ L
<b>Total Volume</b>	<b>50 <math>\mu</math>L</b>	<b>650 <math>\mu</math>L</b>

- 2 Add 50  $\mu$ L of the DNA ligation master mix to the beads in each DNA capture reaction tube.
- 3 Resuspend the beads thoroughly by pipetting up and down 15 times using a 100- $\mu$ L multichannel pipette set to 40  $\mu$ L.
- 4 Incubate the tubes in a thermal cycler at 55°C for 10 minutes, using a heated lid.

The thermal cycler may be programmed to include a 4°C hold step following the 10-minute incubation.

During the 10-minute incubation, prepare the PCR master mix as specified in the following step.



## Step 5. Prepare the PCR Master Mix

In this step, you prepare a PCR master mix for the captured target DNA amplification step on [page 35](#).

### CAUTION

It is critical to include Acetic acid at 2 M concentration in this step to ensure neutralization of the NaOH used for elution on [page 34](#).

- 1 Prepare the PCR master mix by combining the reagents in the following table.

**Table 9** Preparation of PCR master mix

Reagent	Volume for 1 reaction	Volume for 12 reactions (includes excess)
Nuclease-free water	16.1 µL	209.3 µL
5X Herculase II Reaction Buffer	10 µL	130 µL
dNTPs (100 mM, 25 mM for each dNTP)	0.4 µL	5.2 µL
Primer 1 (25 µM)	1 µL	13 µL
Primer 2 (25 µM)	1 µL	13 µL
2 M Acetic acid	0.5 µL	6.5 µL
Herculase II Fusion DNA Polymerase	1 µL	13 µL
<b>Total</b>	<b>30 µL</b>	<b>390 µL</b>

- 2 Mix the master mix components by gentle vortexing, then distribute 30-µL aliquots to fresh 0.2-mL reaction tubes.
- 3 Store the tubes on ice until they are used in “[Step 7. PCR amplify the captured target libraries](#)” on [page 35](#).

## Step 6. Elute captured DNA with NaOH

When the 10-minute ligation reaction period is complete, proceed with the following steps to elute the captured DNA libraries.

### CAUTION

Using a high-quality NaOH solution for this step is critical for optimal DNA elution and recovery.

Be sure to use freshly-prepared 50 mM NaOH, prepared from 10 M NaOH according to the instructions on [page 29](#).

- 1 Briefly spin the ligation reaction tubes in a desktop centrifuge and then transfer the tubes to the magnetic plate.
- 2 Wait for the solution to clear (about 30 seconds), then carefully remove and discard the supernatant using a pipette set to 50  $\mu$ L.
- 3 Remove the tubes from the magnetic plate and add 100  $\mu$ L of the SSC Buffer provided with the kit to each tube.
- 4 Resuspend the beads thoroughly by pipetting up and down 10 times using a 100- $\mu$ L multichannel pipette set to 80  $\mu$ L.
- 5 Briefly spin the tubes and then return the tubes to the magnetic plate.
- 6 Wait for the solution to clear (about 30 seconds), then carefully remove and discard the SSC Buffer using a multichannel pipette set to 120  $\mu$ L.  
If necessary, carefully remove any residual liquid with a 20- $\mu$ L volume pipette.
- 7 Add 25  $\mu$ L of 50 mM NaOH, which was freshly-prepared on [page 29](#), to each tube.
- 8 Resuspend the beads thoroughly by pipetting up and down 10 times using a 100- $\mu$ L multichannel pipette set to 15  $\mu$ L.
- 9 Incubate samples for 1 minute at room temperature to allow elution of the captured DNA.
- 10 Briefly spin the tubes and then transfer the tubes to the magnetic plate.  
Proceed immediately to PCR amplification in the following section.

Step 7. PCR amplify the captured target libraries

- 1 Prepare amplification reactions by transferring 20 µL of cleared supernatant from each tube on the magnetic plate to a PCR Master Mix tube held on ice (from [page 33](#)).
- 2 Mix by gentle vortexing and then spin briefly to collect the liquid.
- 3 Place the amplification reaction tubes in a thermal cycler and run the program in [Table 10](#), using a heated lid.

The optimal amplification cycle number varies for each HaloPlex Probe design. Consult the Certificate of Analysis (provided with HaloPlex Target Enrichment System Box 1) for the PCR cycling recommendation for your probe.

Table 10 HaloPlex post-capture DNA amplification PCR program

Segment	Number of Cycles	Temperature	Time
1	1	98°C	2 minutes
2	Obtain cycle number from Certificate of Analysis	98°C	30 seconds
		60°C	30 seconds
		72°C	1 minute
3	1	72°C	10 minutes
4	1	8°C	Hold

Stopping Point

If you do not continue to the next step, PCR products may be stored at –20°C for up to 72 hours or at 8°C overnight. For best results, however, purify PCR products as soon as possible.

## Step 8. Purify the amplified target libraries

In this step, the amplified target DNA is purified using AMPure XP beads.

- 1** Let the AMPure XP beads come to room temperature for at least 30 minutes.
- 2** Prepare 400  $\mu\text{L}$  of 70% ethanol per sample, plus excess, for use in [step 10](#).
- 3** Transfer 40  $\mu\text{L}$  of each PCR reaction sample to a fresh 0.2-mL tube. Store the remaining volume of each sample at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  for troubleshooting.
- 4** Mix the AMPure XP bead suspension well, until the suspension appears homogeneous and consistent in color.
- 5** For each sample to be purified, prepare a bead mix by combining 40  $\mu\text{L}$  of nuclease-free water and 100  $\mu\text{L}$  of the homogenous AMPure XP bead suspension. Mix well, until the bead mix suspension appears homogeneous.
- 6** Add 140  $\mu\text{L}$  of the homogenous bead suspension prepared in [step 5](#) to each 40- $\mu\text{L}$  amplified library sample. Vortex thoroughly.  
Using this bead-to-sample volume ratio is imperative to ensure optimal purification results.
- 7** Incubate samples for 5 minutes at room temperature with continuous shaking.  
Make sure the samples are properly mixing in the wells during the 5-minute incubation.
- 8** Spin briefly to collect the liquid, then place the tubes in the magnetic plate. Wait for the solution to clear (approximately 5 minutes).
- 9** Keep the tubes in the magnetic plate. Carefully remove and discard the cleared solution from each tube using a 200- $\mu\text{L}$  pipette set to 180  $\mu\text{L}$ . Do not touch the beads while removing the solution.
- 10** Continue to keep the tubes in the magnetic plate while you add 200  $\mu\text{L}$  of 70% ethanol into the tubes.  
Use fresh 70% ethanol for optimal results.
- 11** Wait for 30 seconds to allow any disturbed beads to settle, then remove the ethanol using a 200- $\mu\text{L}$  pipette set to 200  $\mu\text{L}$ .
- 12** Repeat [step 10](#) and [step 11](#) once for a total of two washes.
- 13** Remove any residual ethanol with a 20- $\mu\text{L}$  volume pipette.

- 14** Air-dry the tubes with open lids at room temperature until the residual ethanol completely evaporates.

Make sure all ethanol has evaporated before continuing.

- 15** Remove tubes from the magnetic plate and add 40  $\mu$ L of 10 mM Tris-acetate or Tris-HCl buffer (pH 8.0) to each sample.

**NOTE**

Use room-temperature Tris-acetate or Tris-HCl buffer for elution at this step.

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- 16** Mix thoroughly by pipetting up and down 15 times using a 100- $\mu$ L pipette set to 30  $\mu$ L.

- 17** Incubate for 2 minutes at room temperature to allow elution of DNA.

- 18** Put the tube in the magnetic plate and leave for 2 minutes or until the solution is clear.

- 19** Remove the cleared supernatant (approximately 40  $\mu$ L) to a fresh tube. You can discard the beads at this time.

**Stopping Point**

If you do not continue to the next step, samples may be stored at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  for long-term storage (up to one year). Avoid subjecting the stored DNA samples to multiple freeze-thaw cycles.

## Step 9. Validate enrichment and quantify enriched target DNA

Prior to sample pooling and sequencing sample preparation, validate enrichment and quantify the enriched target DNA in each library sample by microfluidics analysis using the 2100 Bioanalyzer (see [page 39](#)) or the 2200 TapeStation (see [page 40](#)).

Enriched library samples may also be qualitatively analyzed using gel electrophoresis. Sample gel electrophoresis results are provided in the [Reference](#) section on [page 58](#).

### Expected Results

Each amplicon in the prepared library contains one target insert surrounded by sequence motifs required for multiplexed sequencing using the Illumina platform. Amplicons include 50 to 500 bp of target DNA insert and 125 bp of sequencing motifs, as shown in [Figure 6](#).



**Figure 6** Content of HaloPlex-enriched target amplicons. Each amplicon contains one target insert (blue) surrounded by the Illumina paired-end sequencing elements (black), the sample index (red) and the library bridge PCR primers (yellow).

The amplicons should range from 175 to 625 bp in length, with the majority of products sized 225 to 525 bp. Amplicons in the 175 to 625 bp size range should be included for quantitation of the enriched target DNA in each sample. Any spurious DNA products outside of this size range in any sample should be excluded from the target DNA quantitation results.

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**Option 1: Analysis using the 2100 Bioanalyzer**

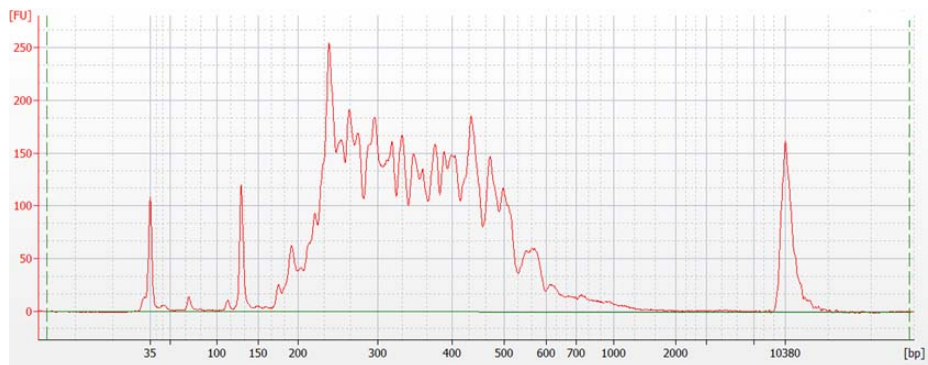
Use a Bioanalyzer High Sensitivity DNA Assay kit and the 2100 Bioanalyzer with 2100 Expert Software (version B.02.07 or higher required to run the High Sensitivity Kit). See the reagent kit guide for general Bioanalyzer instrument and assay setup instructions.

- 1 Prepare the chip, samples and ladder as instructed in the reagent kit guide, using 1  $\mu\text{L}$  of enriched library sample for the analysis.
- 2 Load the prepared chip into the 2100 Bioanalyzer and start the run within five minutes after preparation.
- 3 Analyze the electropherogram for each sample using the analysis guidelines on [page 41](#).

See [Figure 7](#) for a sample Bioanalyzer system electropherogram.

**NOTE**

If the concentration determined by Bioanalyzer analysis is  $> 10 \text{ ng}/\mu\text{L}$ , repeat the analysis using a 1:10 dilution of the sample. Dilute 1  $\mu\text{L}$  of the sample in 9  $\mu\text{L}$  of 10 mM Tris, 1 mM EDTA and then mix well by vortexing at 2000 rpm on the IKA vortex supplied with the Bioanalyzer before analyzing the diluted sample.



**Figure 7** Validation of HaloPlex enrichment by 2100 Bioanalyzer analysis.

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#### Option 2: Analysis using the 2200 TapeStation

Use a High Sensitivity D1K ScreenTape (p/n 5067-5363) and reagent kit (p/n 5067-5364) to analyze the enriched library samples. For more information to do this step, see the *2200 TapeStation User Manual*.

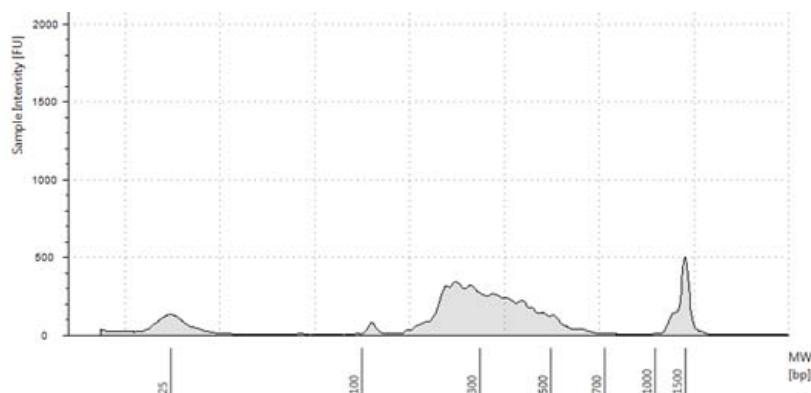
- 1 Prepare the TapeStation samples as instructed in the *2200 TapeStation User Manual*. Use 2  $\mu$ L of each enriched library sample diluted with 2  $\mu$ L of High Sensitivity D1K sample buffer in separate wells of a tube strip for the analysis.

#### CAUTION

Make sure that you thoroughly mix the combined DNA sample and High Sensitivity D1K sample buffer on a vortex mixer for 5 seconds for accurate results.

- 2 Load the sample tube strip, the High Sensitivity D1K ScreenTape, and loading tips into the 2200 TapeStation as instructed in the *2200 TapeStation User Manual*. Start the run.
- 3 Analyze the electropherogram for each sample using the analysis guidelines on [page 41](#).

See [Figure 8](#) for a sample TapeStation electropherogram.



**Figure 8** Validation of HaloPlex enrichment by 2200 TapeStation analysis.



### Analysis of Electropherogram Results

- Check that the electropherogram shows a peak fragment size between approximately 225 to 525 bp.
- Determine the concentration of enriched target DNA in the sample by integration under the peak between 175 and 625 bp. Peaks at <150 bp may be observed, but should be excluded from quantitation.
- Some designs may generate a peak at about 125 bp. This peak is associated with an adaptor-dimer product which will cluster and generate sequence that does not map to the genome. If the molar fraction of the 125 bp peak is greater than 10%, do another round of AMPure purification after pooling samples. First, pool equimolar amounts of libraries to be multiplexed, using concentrations determined for the 175–625 peak of each sample. Using 40 µL of the pooled libraries, purify the DNA using AMPure XP beads according to the protocol on [page 36](#).

## Step 10. Pool samples with different indexes for multiplexed sequencing

Use the following guidelines to design your sample pooling and sequencing strategy:

- Use the Bioanalyzer- or TapeStation-measured concentration of 175-625 bp products in each sample to pool equimolar amounts of differentially indexed samples in order to optimize the use of sequencing capacity.
- The final HaloPlex enrichment pool is ready for direct sequencing using standard Illumina paired-end primers and chemistry on the Illumina HiSeq, MiSeq, or GAIIx platform. See additional guidelines for the MiSeq platform (below) and HiSeq platform ([page 46](#)).
- Use 100 + 100 bp or 150 + 150 bp paired-end sequencing, depending on the selection made during probe design. Since the read length affects maximum achievable coverage, check the design report to verify read length selected in probe design.
- Sequencing runs must be set up to perform an 8-nt index read. For complete index sequence information, see tables starting on [page 52](#).
- Before aligning reads to the reference genome, trim the reads from Illumina adaptor sequences.

### MiSeq platform sequencing run setup guidelines

Use the Illumina Experiment Manager (IEM) software to generate a custom Sample Sheet according to the guidelines below. Once a Sample Sheet has been generated, index sequences need to be manually changed to the HaloPlex indexes used for each sample. See [page 52](#) for nucleotide sequences of the HaloPlex system indexes.

#### Setting up a custom Sample Sheet:

- 1 In the IEM software, create a Sample Sheet for the MiSeq platform using the following Workflow selections.
  - Under **Category**, select *Other*.
  - Under **Application**, select *FASTQ Only*.

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- 2 On the **Workflow Parameters** screen, enter the run information, making sure to specify the key parameters highlighted below:

**Illumina Experiment Manager**

## Sample Sheet Wizard - Workflow Parameters

**FASTQ Only Run Settings**

Reagent Cartridge Barcode\* MSXXXXXXXX-300

Sample Prep Kit **TruSeq LT**

Index Reads ☐ 0 ☒ 1 ☐ 2

Project Name Test Project

Experiment Name Test Experiment

Investigator Name Test

Description Test

Date 9/ 6/2012

Read Type ☒ Paired End ☐ Single Read

Cycles Read 1 151

Cycles Read 2 151

\* - required field

**FASTQ Only Workflow-Specific Settings**

☐ Custom Primer for Read 1

☐ Custom Primer for Index

☐ Custom Primer for Read 2

☐ Use Adapter Trimming

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- 3 Using the **Sample Plate Wizard**, set up a New Plate, entering the required information for each sample to be sequenced. In the **Index 1(17)** column of the **TrueSeq LT Assay Plate** table, assign each sample to any of the Illumina 17 indexes. The index will be corrected to a HaloPlex index at a later stage.

Sample Plate Wizard - Plate Samples

TruSeq LT Assay Plate

Table Plate Plate Graphic ☐ indicates invalid samples


	Sample ID*	Sample Name	Index1 (17)*	Sample Project	Description
A01	1	Sample1	A001	ProjectX	Tumor
A02	2	Sample2	A002	ProjectX	Normal
A03	3	Sample3	A003	ProjectY	Tumor

- 4 Finish the sample plate setup tasks and save the sample plate file.
- 5 Using the **Sample Sheet Wizard**, select the samples to include in the run and save the Sample Sheet file.

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### Editing the Sample Sheet to include HaloPlex indexes:

- 1 Open the Sample Sheet file in a text editor. For each sample, select the text for the 6-nucleotide index (highlighted below), and replace with the appropriate 8-nucleotide HaloPlex index sequence.



File Edit Search View Encoding Language Settings Macro Run Plugins Window ?

MS00000000-300.csv

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1 [Header]
2 IEMFileVersion,4
3 Investigator Name,Test
4 Project Name,Test Project
5 Experiment Name,Test Experiment
6 Date,9/28/2012
7 Workflow,GenerateFASTQ
8 Application,FASTQ Only
9 Assay,TruSeq LT
10 Description,Test
11 Chemistry,Default
12
13 [Reads]
14 151
15 151
16
17 [Settings]
18
19 [Data]
20 Sample_ID,Sample_Name,Sample_Plate,Sample_Well,17_Index_ID,index,Sample_Project,Description
21 1,Sample1,testplate,A01,A001,ATCACG,ProjectX,Tumor
22 2,Sample2,testplate,A02,A002,CGATGG,ProjectX,Normal
23 3,Sample3,testplate,A03,A003,TTAGGG,ProjectX,Tumor
24 4,Sample4,testplate,A04,A004,TGACCA,ProjectX,Normal
25 5,Sample5,testplate,A05,A005,ACACAT,ProjectX,Tumor
26 6,Sample6,testplate,A06,A006,GCACAT,ProjectX,Normal

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- 2 Save the edited Sample Sheet in an appropriate file location for use in the MiSeq platform run.

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#### HiSeq platform sequencing run setup guidelines

Set up sequencing runs to perform an 8-nt index read using the *Cycles* settings shown in [Table 11](#). Cycle number settings can be specified on the *Run Configuration* screen of the instrument control software interface after choosing *Custom* from the index type selection buttons.

**Table 11** HiSeq platform Run Configuration screen Cycle Number settings \*

Run Segment	Cycle Number
Read 1	100
Index 1 (i7)	9
Index 2 (i5)	0
Read 2	100

\* Settings apply to v3.0 SBS chemistry.

#### Sequence analysis resources

Agilent's SureCall data analysis software is available to simplify the sequencing data analysis workflow after HaloPlex target enrichment. To learn more about this resource and download the SureCall software free of charge, visit [www.agilent.com/genomics/surecall](http://www.agilent.com/genomics/surecall).



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This chapter contains reference information, including component kit contents, index sequences, and optional gel validation instructions.



## Kit Contents

The HaloPlex Target Enrichment System includes the following component kits:

**Table 12** HaloPlex Target Enrichment System Kit Contents

Design Type	Reaction Number	HaloPlex Target Enrichment System-ILM, Box 1 <sup>†</sup>	HaloPlex Magnetic Beads Box 2
		Store at –20°C	Store at +4°C
Custom 1-500 kb (up to 20,000 probes), ILMFST	16 Reactions <sup>†</sup>	5190-5382 <b>OR</b> 5190-5410 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5383
	48 Reactions	5190-5972 <b>OR</b> 5190-5974 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5976
	96 Reactions	5190-5385 <b>OR</b> 5190-5436 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5386
Custom 0.5-2.5 Mb <b>OR</b> <0.5 Mb with >20,000 probes, ILM	16 Reactions <sup>†</sup>	5190-5533 <b>OR</b> 5190-5537 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5383
	48 Reactions	5190-5977 <b>OR</b> 5190-5978 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5976
	96 Reactions	5190-5534 <b>OR</b> 5190-5538 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5386
Custom 2.6 Mb-5 Mb, ILM	16 Reactions <sup>†</sup>	5190-5535 <b>OR</b> 5190-5539 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5383
	48 Reactions	5190-5981 <b>OR</b> 5190-5982 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5976
	96 Reactions	5190-5536 <b>OR</b> 5190-5540 <sup>‡</sup>	5190-5386
Cancer Research Panel, ILM	16 Reactions	5190-6234	5190-5383
	96 Reactions	5190-6236	5190-5386

\* See [Table 13](#) for list of included reagents.

† 16-Reaction custom kits have been discontinued.

‡ Part number 5190-5382, 5190-5972, 5190-5385, 5190-5533, 5190-5977, 5190-5534, 5190-5535, 5190-5981 or 5190-5536 is provided for the first order of a specific HaloPlex Custom Probe design. Re-order kits, containing previously-purchased Custom Probe designs, include Box 1 part number 5190-5410, 5190-5974, 5190-5436, 5190-5537, 5190-5978, 5190-5538, 5190-5539, 5190-5982 or 5190-5540.



The contents of the HaloPlex Target Enrichment System Box #1 included with each kit are detailed in the table below.

**Table 13** HaloPlex Target Enrichment System Box 1 Contents

Included Reagents	16 Reaction Kit	48 Reaction Kit	96 Reaction Kit
Hybridization Solution	tube with clear cap	bottle	bottle
Ligation Solution	tube with clear cap	bottle	bottle
Wash Solution	tube with clear cap	bottle	bottle
Capture Solution	tube with clear cap	bottle	bottle
SSC Buffer	tube with clear cap	bottle	bottle
RE Buffer	tube with clear cap	bottle	bottle
BSA Solution	tube with clear cap	tube with clear cap	tube with clear cap
DNA Ligase	tube with red cap	tube with red cap	tube with red cap
Enrichment Control DNA	tube with orange cap	tube with orange cap	tube with orange cap
Primer 1	tube with yellow cap	tube with yellow cap	tube with yellow cap
Primer 2	tube with blue cap	tube with blue cap	tube with blue cap
HaloPlex Indexing Primer Cassettes	16 tubes containing Indexing Primer Cassettes 1-16	96-well plate with Indexing Primer Cassettes 1-48 <sup>*</sup>	96-well plate with Indexing Primer Cassettes 1-96 <sup>†</sup>
Enzyme Strip 1	8-well strip tube with green label	8-well strip tube with green label	8-well strip tube with green label
Enzyme Strip 2	8-well strip tube with red label	8-well strip tube with red label	8-well strip tube with red label
HaloPlex Probe	tube with pink cap	tube with pink cap	tube with pink cap

\* See Table 14 for a plate map.

† See Table 15 for a plate map.

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Placement of the HaloPlex Indexing Primer Cassettes in the index cassette plate provided with 48-reaction kits is shown in [Table 14](#), and the plate provided with 96-reaction kits is shown in [Table 15](#).

**Table 14** HaloPlex 48 Indexing Primer Cassette plate map (48 reaction kits only; wells in columns 7 through 12 are empty)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	Index 1	Index 9	Index 17	Index 25	Index 33	Index 41	—	—	—	—	—	—
B	Index 2	Index 10	Index 18	Index 26	Index 34	Index 42	—	—	—	—	—	—
C	Index 3	Index 11	Index 19	Index 27	Index 35	Index 43	—	—	—	—	—	—
D	Index 4	Index 12	Index 20	Index 28	Index 36	Index 44	—	—	—	—	—	—
E	Index 5	Index 13	Index 21	Index 29	Index 37	Index 45	—	—	—	—	—	—
F	Index 6	Index 14	Index 22	Index 30	Index 38	Index 46	—	—	—	—	—	—
G	Index 7	Index 15	Index 23	Index 31	Index 39	Index 47	—	—	—	—	—	—
H	Index 8	Index 16	Index 24	Index 32	Index 40	Index 48	—	—	—	—	—	—

**Table 15** HaloPlex 96 Indexing Primer Cassette plate map (96 reaction kits only)

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
<b>A</b>	Index 1	Index 9	Index 17	Index 25	Index 33	Index 41	Index 49	Index 57	Index 65	Index 73	Index 81	Index 89
<b>B</b>	Index 2	Index 10	Index 18	Index 26	Index 34	Index 42	Index 50	Index 58	Index 66	Index 74	Index 82	Index 90
<b>C</b>	Index 3	Index 11	Index 19	Index 27	Index 35	Index 43	Index 51	Index 59	Index 67	Index 75	Index 83	Index 91
<b>D</b>	Index 4	Index 12	Index 20	Index 28	Index 36	Index 44	Index 52	Index 60	Index 68	Index 76	Index 84	Index 92
<b>E</b>	Index 5	Index 13	Index 21	Index 29	Index 37	Index 45	Index 53	Index 61	Index 69	Index 77	Index 85	Index 93
<b>F</b>	Index 6	Index 14	Index 22	Index 30	Index 38	Index 46	Index 54	Index 62	Index 70	Index 78	Index 86	Index 94
<b>G</b>	Index 7	Index 15	Index 23	Index 31	Index 39	Index 47	Index 55	Index 63	Index 71	Index 79	Index 87	Index 95
<b>H</b>	Index 8	Index 16	Index 24	Index 32	Index 40	Index 48	Index 56	Index 64	Index 72	Index 80	Index 88	Index 96

Nucleotide Sequences of HaloPlex Indexes

The nucleotide sequence of the 8-nucleotide index portion of each HaloPlex Indexing Primer Cassette is provided in the tables below. HaloPlex 16-reaction kits include tubes containing the 16 primers listed in [Table 16](#). The 96-reaction kits include plates containing the 96 indexes listed in [Table 16](#) to [Table 21](#).

**Table 16** HaloPlex Indexes 1-16

Index Number	Sequence
1	AACGTGAT
2	AAACATCG
3	ATGCCTAA
4	AGTGGTCA
5	ACCACTGT
6	ACATTGGC
7	CAGATCTG
8	CATCAAGT
9	CGCTGATC
10	ACAAGCTA
11	CTGTAGCC
12	AGTACAAG
13	AACAACCA
14	AACCGAGA
15	AACGCTTA
16	AAGACGGA

**Table 17** HaloPlex Indexes 17-32

Index Number	Sequence
17	AAGGTACA
18	ACACAGAA
19	ACAGCAGA
20	ACCTCCAA
21	ACGCTCGA
22	ACGTATCA
23	ACTATGCA
24	AGAGTCAA
25	AGATCGCA
26	AGCAGGAA
27	AGTCACTA
28	ATCCTGTA
29	ATTGAGGA
30	CAACCACA
31	CAAGACTA
32	CAATGGAA

**Table 18** HaloPlex Indexes 33-48

Index Number	Sequence
33	CACTTCGA
34	CAGCGTTA
35	CATACCAA
36	CCAGTTCA
37	CCGAAGTA
38	CCGTGAGA
39	CCTCCTGA
40	CGAACTTA
41	CGACTGGA
42	CGCATACA
43	CTCAATGA
44	CTGAGCCA
45	CTGGCATA
46	GAATCTGA
47	GACTAGTA
48	GAGCTGAA

**Table 19** HaloPlex Indexes 49-64

Index Number	Sequence
49	GATAGACA
50	GCCACATA
51	GCGAGTAA
52	GCTAACGA
53	GCTCGGTA
54	GGAGAACA
55	GGTGCGAA
56	GTACGCAA
57	GTCGTAGA
58	GTCTGTCA
59	GTGTTCTA
60	TAGGATGA
61	TATCAGCA
62	TCCGTCTA
63	TCTTCACA
64	TGAAGAGA

**Table 20** HaloPlex Indexes 65-80

Index Number	Sequence
65	TGGAACAA
66	TGGCTTCA
67	TGGTGGTA
68	TTCACGCA
69	AACTCACC
70	AAGAGATC
71	AAGGACAC
72	AATCCGTC
73	AATGTTGC
74	ACACGACC
75	ACAGATTC
76	AGATGTAC
77	AGCACCTC
78	AGCCATGC
79	AGGCTAAC
80	ATAGCGAC



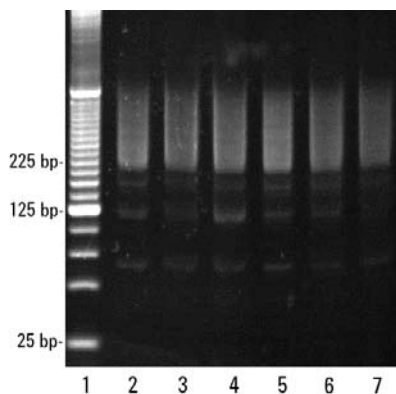
**Table 21** HaloPlex Indexes 81-96

Index Number	Sequence
81	ATCATTCC
82	ATTGGCTC
83	CAAGGAGC
84	CACCTTAC
85	CCATCCTC
86	CCGACAAC
87	CCTAATCC
88	CCTCTATC
89	CGACACAC
90	CGGATTGC
91	CTAAGGTC
92	GAACAGGC
93	GACAGTGC
94	GAGTTAGC
95	GATGAATC
96	GCCAAGAC

## Qualitative analysis of enrichment by gel electrophoresis

Enrichment products may be qualitatively analyzed by gel electrophoresis. Analyze 5  $\mu$ L of each enriched library sample (enriched ECD sample or experimental enriched libraries) by electrophoresis on a Novex 6% polyacrylamide TBE pre-cast gel. See [page 22](#) for additional gel analysis protocol recommendations.

Successful enrichment is indicated by the presence of a smear of amplicons from approximately 225 to 525 bp in each enrichment library lane. For some probe designs, low molecular weight (<150 bp) bands may also be visible, but should not be included in enriched sample quantitation. See [Figure 9](#) for a sample gel analysis image.



**Figure 9** Validation of HaloPlex enrichment process by gel electrophoresis. Lane 1: 25-bp DNA ladder, Lanes 2-7: enriched library samples.

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This guide contains information to run the HaloPlex Target Enrichment System protocol for the Illumina sequencing platform.

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