

Procedure 2.3 – Agilent One-Color Gene Expression Analysis

Date: _____

Experiment ID: 2.3-*yyyymmdd*

Technician: _____

Project: _____

Client Signature: _____

1. Prepare One-Color Spike Mix

1.1 Assign stock solution LMT number (Appendix 7.3). _____

1.2 Dilute the stock solution according to the following table.

Starting amount of RNA		Serial dilution			Spike-Mix volume to be used in each labeling reaction (µL)
Total RNA (ng)	Maximum volume of RNA (µL)	First	Second	Third	
200	8.3	1:20	1:25	1:10	2
300	7.3	1:20	1:25	1:10	3
400	6.3	1:20	1:25	1:10	4
500	5.3	1:20	1:25	1:10	5
600	7.3	1:20	1:25	1:5	3
700	6.8	1:20	1:25	1:5	3.5
800	6.3	1:20	1:25	1:5	4
900	5.8	1:20	1:25	1:5	4.5
1000	5.3	1:20	1:25	1:5	5

Assign all dilutions LMT numbers and store as described in Procedure 1.2

2. Prepare Labeling Reactions (Agilent LRILAK Kit)

2.1 Combine total RNA, spike mix, and T7 promoter primer according to the following table.

(spike mix)

(nuclease-free water)

Total RNA input (ng)	Max RNA volume (µL)	Third Dilution of Spike-Mix volume (µL)	T7 Promoter primer (µL)	Total volume (µL)
200	8.3	2	1.2	11.5
300	7.3	3	1.2	11.5
400	6.3	4	1.2	11.5
500	5.3	5	1.2	11.5
600	7.3	3	1.2	11.5
700	6.8	3.5	1.2	11.5
800	6.3	4	1.2	11.5
900	5.8	4.5	1.2	11.5
1000	5.3	5	1.2	11.5

2.2 Place in thermocycler and run <LRILAK1>

2.3 Prepare a first strand master mix of the following components by multiplying the volumes by n.5, where n is the number of reactions.

5X First Strand Buffer	4.0ul	(Prewarm: 80C, 5 minutes)
0.1M DTT	2.0ul	
10mM dNTP mix	1.0ul	
MMLV-RT	1.0ul	
RnaseOut	0.5ul	

2.4 Add 8.5ul first strand master mix to each sample. Mix.

2.5 Place in thermocycler and run <LRILAK2>

2.6 Prepare a transcription master mix of the following components by multiplying the volumes by n.5, where n is the number of reactions.

Nuclease-free water	15.3ul	_____
4X Transcription Buffer	20.0ul	_____
0.1M DTT	6.0ul	_____
NTP mix	8.0ul	_____
50% PEG	6.4ul (Prewarm: 40C, 1 minute)	_____
RnaseOut	0.5ul	_____
Inorganic Pyrophosphatase	0.6ul	_____
T7 RNA Polymerase	0.8ul	_____
Cyanine 3-CTP	2.4ul	_____

2.7 Add 60ul of transcription master mix to each sample. Mix.

2.8 Place in thermocycler and run <LRILAK3>

3. Purify Labeled cRNA using Qiagen RNeasy Mini.

3.1 Add the following to each sample and mix well.

Nuclease-free water	20 ul	_____
Buffer RLT	350 ul	_____
100% EtOH	250 ul	_____

3.2 Transfer to an RNeasy mini column in a 2ml collection tube.

3.3 Centrifuge at 4C for one minute at 500rcf, then at 13,500rcf for 30 seconds. Discard the flow-through.

3.4 Add 500ul Buffer RPE to the column and centrifuge at 13,500rcf for 30 seconds at 4C. Discard the flow-through.

3.5 Repeat 3.4

3.6 Add 30ul Rnase-free water to the column and incubate at room temperature for one minute.

3.7 Centrifuge at 13,000rcf for one minute to elute the purified cRNA.

4. cRNA Quantitation

4.1 Quantitate using the NanoDrop as described in Appendix 7.1

Save NanoDrop report as 2.3 _yyyymmdd_NanoDrop in the appropriate SOP Reports folder

4.2 Calculate specific activity of CyDye and add to NanoDrop data.

$(\text{concentration of CyDye}) / (\text{concentration of aRNA}) * 1000 = \text{specific activity}$

5. Prepare the 10X Blocking Agent

(Stock) _____

5.1 Add 500 ul nuclease-free water to the vial containing lyophilized 10X Blocking Agent. _____

5.2 Heat the solution at 37C for five minutes.

5.3 10X Blocking Agent can be stored at -20C for 2 months. Assign the blocking agent an LMT number (Appendix 7.3). _____

6. Prepare Hybridization Samples

6.1 Combine the following in a PCR tube or plate.

Cyanine 3-Labeled cRNA	600 ng	
10X Blocking Agent	5 ul	
25X Fragmentation Buffer	1 ul	
Nuclease-free Water	Bring Volume to 25 ul	_____

6.1 Incubate at 60C for exactly 30 minutes.

6.3 Scan microarray barcodes into an Excel sheet and record corresponding sample identifications. Save file as dnamicroarray\Procedure_2.3\2.3_yymmdd_microarrays _____

6.4 Add 25ul 2X GEx Hybridization Buffer. Mix. Use Immediately. _____

7. Prepare the Hybridization Assembly

7.1 Load a clean gasket slide into the SureHyb chamber.

7.2 Dispense 40ul of the hybridization sample(s) into the gasket well(s). _____

7.3 Slowly place the microarray onto the gasket slide so that the *numeric* barcode is facing up.

7.4 Place the SureHyb cover onto the sandwiched slides and slide the clamp onto both pieces. Hand-tighten the clamp.

7.5 Place assembled slide chamber in rotisserie in a hybridization oven set to 65C. Set rotation speed at 10 RPM.

7.6 Hybridize at 65C for 17 hours.

7.7 Warm Wash Buffer 2 at 37C overnight.

8. Microarray Wash

8.1 Disassemble SureHyb chambers and carefully remove gasket slides under wash buffer 1.

8.2 Place microarrays in steel rack in staining chamber containing wash buffer 1.

8.3 Place on rotator in ozone cabinet. Set speed at 3 and rotate in the dark for one minute.

8.4 Transfer slides to a new staining dish containing prewarmed wash buffer 2. Set speed at 3 and rotate in the dark for one minute.

8.5 Centrifuge slides at 500 RPM for 5 minutes to dry.

8.6 Scan Arrays as described in Appendix 7.4