RNA Technical Guide

TOOLS TO STREAMLINE RNA–RELATED WORKFLOWS



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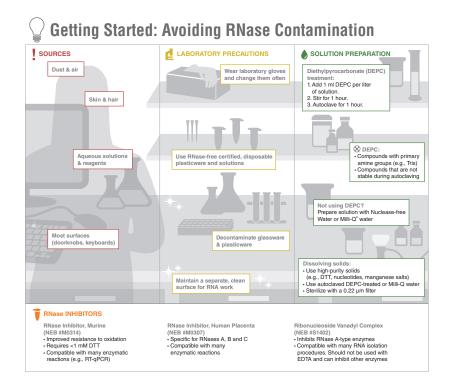
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Let NEB Help Streamline Your RNA-related Workflows

Historically, our understanding of the function of RNA in the cell was limited to its role in translation of genetic information from DNA into protein. The major species of RNA described were; (A) messenger RNA (mRNA), which converts DNA into RNA, (B) transfer RNA (tRNA) that is charged with specific amino acids and, (C) ribosomal RNA (rRNA), a major component of the ribosome. More recently, RNA has been implicated in a diverse number of biological processes, including catalysis and transcriptional regulation. Technological advances and improvements in RNA analysis and detection have led to the discovery of many new classes of small and large non-coding RNAs with novel regulatory functions. Examples include, microRNA (miRNA), circular RNA, long non-coding RNA (lncRNA), small nucleolar RNA (snoRNA) and extracellular RNA (exRNA). In addition, RNA modifications have revealed added complexity to RNA. These biologically relevant modifications are an active area of exploration. These findings have helped usher in a renaissance of RNA-focused research in biology.

NEB offers a broad portfolio of reagents for the purification, quantitation, detection, synthesis and manipulation of RNA. These products are available from bench-scale to commercial-scale to enable both academic and industrial needs. Further, we provide these products at quality levels that support vaccine and diagnostic manufacturing. Experience improved performance and increased yields, enabled by our expertise in enzymology.



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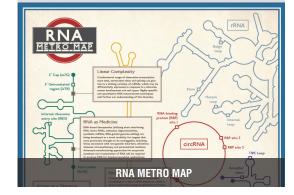
RNase Inhibitor, Murine (NEB #M0314)

- Improved resistance to oxidation, compared to human/ porcine RNase inhibitor
- Ideal for reactions where low DTT concentrations are required (e.g., Real-time PCR)
- GMP-grade reagent also available (see page 16 for details)

FEATURED RESOURCES

Visit NEBrna.com to find additional resources, including:

- RNA Synthesis Brochure
 Learn more about NEB's products for synthesis of RNA,
 which range from template generation to poly(A) tailing
- Monarch Nucleic Acid Purification Brochure
 It's time to transform your DNA and RNA purification
 experience! Learn about the advantages of choosing
 Monarch Nucleic Acid Purification Kits from NEB
- Luna Universal qPCR and RT-qPCR Brochure Make a simpler choice with Luna! Learn about the advantages of choosing Luna products for your qPCR & RT-qPCR, and see how Luna products compare to other commercially available reagents.
- NEBNext for Illumina Brochure
 Review NEB's extensive range of NGS sample prep
 products for RNA, Small RNA and DNA
- Supporting COVID-19 Research Find out how NEB is supporting customers developing vaccines and diagnostic tools for lab-based and pointof-care settings
- Enzymes for Innovation NEB offers novel enzymes with unique activities that can support RNA workflows
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Find tips for avoiding RNA contamination.



RNA Purification

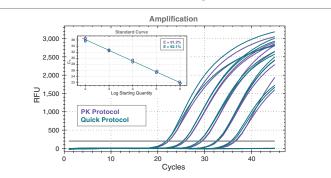
Isolating high-quality RNA is crucial to many downstream experiments, such as cloning, reverse transcription for cDNA synthesis, RT-PCR, RT-qPCR and RNA-seq. There are various approaches to RNA purification including phenol-chloroform extraction, spin column purification, and the use of magnetic beads.

Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit

The Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit is a comprehensive solution for sample preservation, cell lysis, gDNA removal, and purification of total RNA from a wide variety of biological samples, including cultured cells, blood, and mammalian tissues. Additionally, tough-to-lyse samples, such as bacteria, yeast, and plant, can be processed with additional steps that enhance lysis. Total RNA, including viral RNA, can also be extracted from clinically-relevant samples like saliva, buccal swabs and nasopharyngeal swabs. Cleanup of enzymatic reactions or purification of RNA from TRIzol[®]-extracted samples is also possible using this kit. Purified RNA has high quality metrics, including $A_{260/280}$ and $A_{260/230}$ ratios ≥ 1.8 , high RIN scores, and minimal residual gDNA. Captured RNA ranges in size from full-length rRNAs down to intact miRNAs. Additionally, differential binding conditions allow selective capture or exclusion of the sub-200 nucleotide RNA pool that includes miRNA, 5S rRNA, and tRNA. Purified RNA is suitable for downstream applications, such as RT-qPCR, cDNA synthesis, RNA-seq, Northern blot analysis, etc.

Quickly and easily purify up to $100 \ \mu g$ of high quality total RNA from multiple sample types – all with one kit!

- Use with a wide variety of sample types, including clinically-relevant ones like swabs (buccal/NP) and saliva
- Purify RNA of all sizes, including miRNA & small RNAs \geq 20 nucleotides
- Includes DNase I, gDNA removal columns, Proteinase K, and a stabilization reagent
- RNA extraction from some samples is automatable on the QIAcube® and KingFisher Flex platforms
- · Save money with value pricing for an all-in-one kit



The Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit successfully purifies synthetic SARS-CoV-2 viral RNA from saliva samples

The Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit Proteinase K and Quick Protocols were used to isolate total RNA from saliva samples containing 10-fold serial dilutions of synthetic SARS-CoV-2 N-gene RNA. Purified RNA was eluted in 100 µl nuclease-free water to yield 50 to 500,000 copies of viral RNA/µl. Using the Luna Universal Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (NEB #E3006), titers as low as 50 copies (the lowest input tested) were detected and linear, quantitative recovery of the SARS-CoV-2 N-gene was observed over a 5-Log range.

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Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit (NEB #T2010)

SPECIFICATIONS

- Binding Capacity: 100 µg RNA
- RNA Size: > 20 nt
- Purity: $A_{260/280}$ and $A_{260/230}$ usually ≥ 1.8
- Input Amount: up to 107 cells or 50 mg tissue*
- Elution Volume: 30 100 μl
- Yield: varies depending on sample type*
- **Compatible downstream applications:** RNA Library prep for NGS, RT-PCR, RT-qPCR, Northern blots

*See page 6 for more details and other sample types

Monarch has been validated for the following sample types:

 HeLa Cells 	 Rat Spleen 	• S. cerevisiae
• HEK 293 Cells	• Rat Kidney	• E. coli
• NIH 3T3 Cells	Rat Brain	• B. cereus
• Human Blood	Rat Muscle	Corn Leaf
Rat Blood	Mouse Muscle	• Tomato Leaf
 PBMC's 	Mouse Heart	 Saliva
• Plasma	 Mouse Kidney 	Buccal Cells
• Serum	Zebrafish larvae	 Nucleated Bloc
Rat Liver	• D. Melanogaster	

For information on input amounts, yield, RIN values, please see page 6 or visit **neb.com/MonarchRNAinputs**.

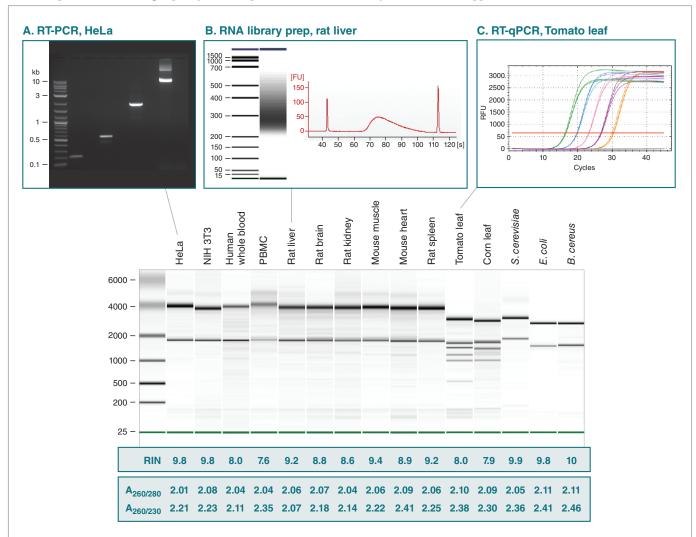


Request your sample at **NEBMonarch.com**

View tips for successful RNA purification using Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit.



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Monarch-purified RNA is high-quality and compatible with a wide variety of downstream applications

Total RNA from a broad array of sample types was purified using the Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit (NEB #T2010). Aliquots were run on an Agilent Bioanalyzer 2100 using the Nano 6000 RNA chip (S. cerevisiae RNA was run using a plant Nano assay). RIN values and O.D. ratios confirm the overall integrity and purity of the RNA. To demonstrate compatibility with downstream applications, samples were subsequently used for RT-PCR (+/– RT) (A) for detection of 4 different RNA species using Protoscript[®] II Reverse Transcriptase (NEB #M0368)/LongAmp Taq DNA Polymerase (NEB #M0323), NGS library prep (B) using NEBNext Ultra Directional RNA Library Prep Kit (NEB #E7760) and RT-qPCR (C) using Luna One-Step RT-qPCR Reagents (NEB #E3005).

TIPS FOR SUCCESSFUL RNA EXTRACTIONS

- 1. Prevent RNase Activity: Nucleases in your sample will degrade RNA, so inhibiting their activity is essential. Process samples quickly after harvest, use preservation reagents, and always ensure you are working in nuclease-free working environments.
- 2. Inactivate RNases after harvesting your sample: Nucleases in your sample will lead to degradation, so inactivating them is essential. Process samples quickly, or use preservation reagents, and always ensure nuclease-free working environments.
- Do not exceed recommended input amounts: Buffer volumes are optimized for the recommended input amounts. Exceeding these can result in inefficient lysis and can also clog the column. See page 6.
- 4. Ensure samples are properly homogenized/disrupted: Samples should be disrupted and homogenized completely to release all RNA.
- For sensitive applications, ensure proper gDNA removal: gDNA is removed by the gDNA removal column and subsequent on-column DNase I treatment. Off-column DNase I treatment can also be employed.



Sample Inputs & Expected Recovery for the Monarch[®] Total RNA Miniprep Kit

RNA yield, purity and integrity vary immensely based on sample type, input amount and sample condition. Empirical yield and RIN data from a wide variety of sample types are provided below, as well as guidance on the maximum input amounts. It is important NOT to overload the column when extracting and purifying RNA, as yields, purity and integrity may suffer.

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(1) RNA for other samples including drosophila, zebrafish embryos/larvae, plasma, serum, saliva, buccal swabs and nucleated blood have been successfully purified with this kit; protocols are available in the product manual online.

(2) Protocol for nucleated blood (e.g., birds, reptiles) is also available.

* Mouse blood also has a maximum input of 1 ml.

** S. cerevisiae total RNA was run on an Agilent Nano 6000 Chip using plant assay.

For updates, visit neb.com/MonarchRNAinputs

RNA PURIFICATION



Troubleshooting Guide for Total RNA Extraction & Purification

PROBLEM	CAUSE	SOLUTION
Clogged column	Insufficient sample disruption or homogenization	 Increase time of sample digestion or homogenization Centrifuge sample after Proteinase K digestion or homogenization to pellet debris and use only supernatant for next steps Use larger volume of DNA/RNA Protection Reagent (NEB #T2011) and/or RNA Lysis Buffer (NEB #T2012) for sample disruption and homogenization. See sample-specific protocols in the product manual or online at www.neb.com/T2010.
	Too much sample	• Reduce amount of starting material to match kit specifications to ensure buffer amounts are sufficient and column is not overloaded. See Guidelines for Choosing Sample Input Amounts on page 6.
	Incomplete elution	 After addition of Nuclease-free Water (NEB #B1500) to column matrix, incubate 5-10 min at room temperature and then centrifuge to elute Perform a second elution (note: this will dilute sample)
	Sample is degraded	 Store input sample at -80°C prior to use Use Monarch DNA/RNA Protection Reagent (NEB #T2011) to maintain RNA integrity during storage
Low RNA yield	Insufficient disruption or homogenization	 Increase time of sample digestion or homogenization Centrifuge sample after Proteinase K digestion or homogenization to pellet debris and use only supernatant for next steps Use larger volume of DNA/RNA Reagent (NEB #T2011) and/or RNA Lysis Buffer (NEB #T2012) for sample disruption and homogenization. See sample specific protocol in the product manual or online at www.neb.com/T2010. For Proteinase K treated samples, doubling Proteinase K (from 5% to 10%) may lead to an increase in RNA yield
	Too much sample	• Reduce amount of starting material to match kit specifications to ensure buffer amounts are sufficient and column is not overloaded. See Guidelines for Choosing Sample Input Amounts on page 6.
	Starting material not handled/stored properly	 Store input sample at -80°C prior to use. Degradation of RNA may occur if sample is not flash frozen or protected by a preservation reagent. Use Monarch DNA/RNA Protection Reagent (NEB #T2011) to maintain RNA integrity during storage.
RNA degradation	Deviation from the stated protocol may expose RNA to unwanted RNase activities	• Refer to the General Guidelines for Working with RNA in the product manual
	RNase contamination of eluted materials or kit buffers may have occurred	 See General Guidelines for Working with RNA in the product manual for advice on reducing risks of contamination
	Low A _{260/280} values indicate residual protein in the purified sample	• Ensure the Proteinase K step was utilized for the recommended time. Ensure samples have no debris prior to addition of ethanol and loading onto RNA Purification Column.
Low OD ratios	Low A _{260/230} values indicate residual guanidine salts have been carried over during elution	• Ensure wash steps are carried out prior to eluting sample. Use care to ensure the tip of the column does not contact the flow-through after the final wash. If unsure, please repeat centrifugation. When reusing collection tubes, blot rim of tube on a Kimwipe prior to reattachment to the column to remove any residual wash buffer.
DNA contamination	Genomic DNA not removed by column	 Perform optional on-column DNase I treatment to remove unwanted gDNA from lysed sample Perform in-tube/off-column DNase I treatment to remove gDNA
	Too much sample	 Reduce amount of starting material to match kit specifications to ensure buffer amounts are sufficient and column is not overloaded. See Guidelines for Choosing Sample Input Amounts on page 6.
Low performance of RNA in downstream steps	Salt and/or ethanol carryover has occurred	 Use care to ensure the tip of the RNA Purification Column does not contact the flow-through after the final wash. If unsure, please repeat centrifugation. Be sure to spin the RNA Purification Column for 2 minutes following the final wash with RNA Wash Buffer When reusing collection tubes, blot rim of tube on a Kimwipe prior to reattachment to the column to remove any residual wash buffer Add additional wash step and/or extend spin time for final wash
Unusual spectrophoto- metric readings	RNA concentration is too low for spectro- photometric analysis	 For more concentrated RNA, elute with 30 µl of nuclease-free water Increase amount of starting material (within kit specifications). See Guidelines for Choosing Sample Input Amounts on page 6.
	Silica fines in eluate	 Re-spin eluted samples and pipet aliquot from the top of the liquid to ensure the A_{260/230} is unaffected by possible elution of silica particles



RNA Cleanup and Concentration

The ability to quickly modify and manipulate RNA is in high demand and accordingly, the need for rapid and reliable RNA cleanup methods have become essential. For example, after RNA synthesis by *in vitro* transcription (IVT), unincorporated nucleotides, aborted transcripts, enzymes and buffer components should be removed before using the transcript for RNP formation or for microinjection. Removal of reactants is also beneficial following standard protocols such as RNA labeling, capping, Proteinase K treatment, and DNase I treatment. Sensitive workflows such as RNA-seq or RT-qPCR may also benefit from RNA cleanup prior to processing.

RNA can be purified in various ways, including phenol/chloroform extraction and ethanol precipitation, lithium chloride precipitation, or by gel purification. Silica-based columns are a popular and user-friendly method for fast RNA cleanup. Column-based cleanup methods also provide an easy way to concentrate purified RNA by using low elution volumes. NEB is proud to offer a family of high performance and easy to use RNA cleanup kits for all your RNA workflows.

The Monarch RNA Cleanup Kits provide a fast and simple silica column-based solution for RNA cleanup and concentration after any enzymatic reaction (including *in vitro* transcription, DNase I treatment, capping and labeling) and after other purification methods such as phenol/chloroform extraction. These kits can also be used to extract RNA from cells, saliva, and buccal/nasopharyngeal swabs. The Monarch RNA Cleanup Kits are available in 3 different binding capacities for flexibility in any application. Each kit contains unique columns, all designed to prevent buffer retention and ensure no carryover of contaminants, enabling low-volume elution of highly-pure RNA Following the standard protocol, RNA ≥ 25 nucleotides can be purified; however, a modified protocol is available to enable the binding of RNA as small as 15 nt (including miRNAs).

FEATURED PRODUCTS

Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (10 µg) (NEB #T2030) Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (50 µg) (NEB #T2040) Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (500 µg) (NEB #T2050)

ADVANTAGES

- Isolate highly pure RNA (A $_{\rm 260/280}$ and A $_{\rm 260/230} \ge 1.8)$ in minutes
- Clean up RNA with simple protocol utilizing a single wash buffer
- Elute in as little as 6 µl (NEB #T2030) or 20 µl (NEB #T2040)
- Bind up to 500 μg of RNA (NEB #T2050)
- Adjust cutoff size down to 15 nt with a slight protocol modification
- Can be used for RNA extraction from some samples; extraction from saliva can be automated on the QIAcube and KingFisher Flex platforms

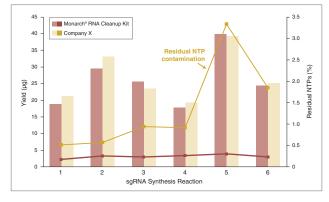
APPLICATIONS

- Cleanup & concentration after enzymatic reactions (e.g., DNase I and Proteinase K treatment)
- Cleanup after RNA synthesis (IVT and sgRNA synthesis)
- Cleanup & concentration of previously-purified RNA (e.g., after TRIzol extraction)
- RNA extraction from cells, saliva and swabs (buccal/NP)
- RNA Gel Extraction

Specifications:

MONARCH RNA CLEANUP KIT	NEB #T2030 (10 µg)	NEB #T2040 (50 µg)	NEB #T2050 (500 µg)	
Binding Capacity	10 µg	50 µg	500 µg	
RNA Size Range	\ge 25 nt (\ge 15 nt with modified protocol)			
Typical Recovery	70–100%			
Elution Volume	6–20 µl	20–50 µl	50–100 µl	
Purity	$A_{260/280} > 1.8$ and $A_{260/280} > 1.8$			
Protocol Time	5 minutes of spin and incubation time		10–15 minutes of spin and incubation time	
Common Downstream Applications	RT-PCR, RNA library prep for NGS, small RNA library prep for NGS, RNA labeling	RT-PCR, RNA library prep for NGS, formation of RNP complexes for genome editing, microinjection, RNA labeling, transfection	RT-PCR, RNA library prep for NGS, RNA labeling, RNAi, microinjection, transfection	

The Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (50 μ g) produces RNA yields consistent with other competitor RNA cleanup kits and with lower residual NTP contamination



Six different sgRNA synthesis reactions from the EnGen® sgRNA Synthesis Kit, S. pyogenes (NEB #E3322) were cleaned up using either the Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (50 µg, NEB #T2040) or a competitor kit (according to manufacturer's recommendations) and eluted in 50 µl nuclease-free water. sgRNA yield was calculated from the resulting A₂₈₀ measured using a Trinean DropSense 16. The Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit produced sgRNA yields consistent with other commercially available RNA cleanup kits.

Following cleanup, residual nucleotides (NTPs) were measured by LC-MS and are reported as percent area NTPs (rATP+rCTP+rGTP+rUTP)/percent area sgRNA). The NEB Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit consistently outperforms other commercially available RNA cleanup kits in the removal of residual NTPs from sgRNA synthesis reactions.

View tips for successful purification using the Monarch RNA Cleanup Kits.



RNA SEQUENCING

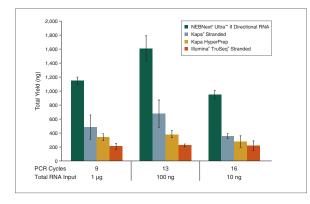
RNA Sequencing

Next generation sequencing (NGS) can be used to determine the presence and quantity of RNA species in a sample, enabling sensitive and accurate gene expression analysis. For the Illumina sequencing platform, mRNA libraries are prepared by removal of ribosomal RNA, then cDNA synthesis followed by DNA Library preparation steps: end repair, addition of a non-templated dA overhang, adaptor ligation, and PCR amplification.

Get even more from less with NEBNext Ultra II

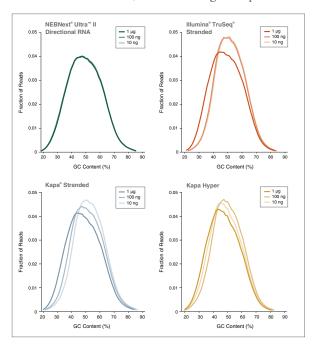
NEBNext Ultra II RNA Library Prep Kits for Illumina are available for both directional and non-directional (non-strand-specific) RNA library construction, and deliver significantly increased sensitivity and specificity from your RNA-seq experiments, from ever-decreasing amounts of input RNA. In conjunction with ribosomal RNA (rRNA) depletion or poly(A) mRNA enrichment, the kits enable the production of high quality libraries from 10 ng of Total RNA up to 1 µg.

NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA produces the highest yields, from a range of input amounts



Poly(A)-containing mRNA was isolated from 10 ng, 100 ng and 1 µg of Universal Human Reference RNA (Agilent #740000) and libraries were made using the NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA Kit (plus the NEBNext poly(A) mRNA Magnetic Isolation Kit), Kapa Stranded mRNA-Seq Kit, Kapa mRNA HyperPrep Kit and Illumina TruSeq Stranded mRNA Kit. The input RNA amount and number of PCR cycles are indicated.

NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA libraries provide uniform GC content distribution, at a broad range of input amounts



Poly(A)-containing mRNA was isolated from Universal Human Reference RNA (Agilent #740000), and libraries were made using the NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA Kit (plus the NEBNext Poly(A) mRNA Magnetic Isolation Module), Illumina TruSeq Stranded mRNA Kit, Kapa Stranded mRNA-Seq Kit and Kapa mRNA HyperPrep Kit. Libraries were sequenced on an Illumina NextSeq® 500 using paired-end mode (2 x 76 bp). Reads were mapped to the hg19 reference genome. GC content distribution for each library was calculated using mapped reads. Ultra II Directional RNA libraries had uniform GC content distribution across a range of input amounts, whereas for other kits the GC content distribution changed with different input amounts, indicating the introduction of input-dependent sequence bias

FEATURED PRODUCTS

NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina (NEB #E7760, #E7765)

NEBNext Ultra II RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina (NEB #E7770, #E7775)

NEBNext Immune Sequencing Kits:

- Human (NEB #E6320)
- Mouse (NEB #E6330)

NEBNext RNA Depletion Kits:

- Human/Mouse/Rat rRNA (NEB #E7400, #E7405)
- Bacteria rRNA (NEB #E7850, #E7860)
- Globin mRNA & rRNA (NEB #E7750, #E7755)
- Customized Depletion (NEB #E7865, #E7870)

NEBNext Poly(A) mRNA Magnetic Isolation Module (NEB #E7490)

NEBNext Adaptors & Primers (neb.com/oligos)

ADVANTAGES

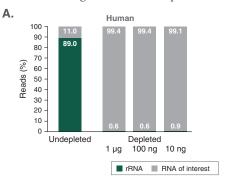
- . Get more of what you need, with the highest library yields
- Generate high quality libraries even when you have only limited amounts of input RNA
 - 10 ng 1 µg Total RNA (polyA mRNA workflow)
 - 10 ng 1 μg Total RNA (v2 rRNA depletion workflow)
- · Minimize bias with fewer PCR cycles required
- Increase the complexity and transcript coverage of your libraries
- Save time with streamlined workflows, reduced hands-on time, and automation compatibility
- Rely on robust performance, even with low quality RNA, including FFPE
- Compatible with NEBNext poly(A) mRNA isolation, rRNA depletion reagents and multiplexing adaptors and primers
- Use our NEBNext selector tool at NEBNextSelector.neb.com for help with selecting the right NEBNext product for your needs



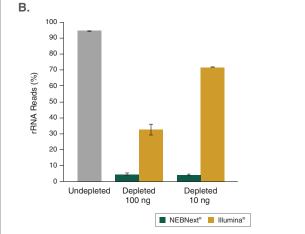
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The NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit v2 enriches for RNAs of interest across a wide range of total RNA inputs in human



The NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit v2 efficiently depletes rRNA from degraded FFPE total RNA while preserving transcript abundances



Universal human reference total RNA (A) or human adult normal liver tissue FFPE Total RNA, RIN 2.3 (B) was depleted of rRNA using the NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit v2 (Human/Mouse/Rat) (A and B), or the TruSeq® Stranded Total RNA Gold kit (B). RNA-seq libraries were prepared using NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina followed by paired-end sequencing (2 x 75 bp). 10 Million reads (A) or 20 Million reads from depleted libraries and 200 million reads from undepleted libraries (B) reads were sampled (seqtk) and were identified as ribosomal using mirabait.

SEQUENCING SMALL RNAs?

The unique workflow of the NEBNext Small RNA library prep kits addresses the challenge of minimization of adaptor-dimers while achieving production of high-yield diverse multiplex libraries in a simple protocol.

- · Minimized adaptor-dimer formation
- High yields
- · Input can be total RNA
- Suitable for methylated small RNA's (e.g. RNAs as well as unmethylated small RNAs)
- 48 Indices available
 - NEBNext Multiplex Small RNA Library Prep Set for Illumina (Set 1) (NEB #E7770)
 - NEBNext Multiplex Small RNA Library Prep Set for Illumina (Set 2) (NEB #E7580)
 - NEBNext Multiplex Small RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina (Index Primers 1–48) (NEB #E7560)
 - NEBNext Small RNA Library Prep Set for Illumina (Multiplex Compatible) (NEB #E7330)
- Visit **NEBNext.com** for more information

RNA SAMPLE INPUT GUIDELINES

Integrity of RNA

- We recommend determining the RNA sample input using the RNA Integrity Number (RIN) estimated by the Agilent TapeStation or similar instrumentation. Ideally the RNA sample will have a RIN value of 7 or higher but NEBNext RNA products are compatible for use with even samples with low RIN values.
- RNA should be completely free of DNA, and DNA digestion of the purified RNA using RNase-free DNase I (such as that provided with the Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit) is recommended.

Quantitation of RNA

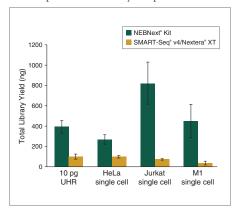
 It is important to quantify accurately the RNA sample prior to library construction. The concentration can be estimated with the Agilent Bioanalyzer or similar instrumentation, using. Pico or nano chip. Alternatively, RNA concentration can be determined by measuring the absorbance at 260 nm (A_{250}) in a spectrophotometer such as a NanoDrop[®]. Note that free nucleotides or organic compounds used in some RNA extraction methods also absorb UV light near 260nm and will cause an over-estimation of RNA concentration.

Single Cell/Low Input RNA-Seq

NEBNext Single Cell/Low Input RNA Library Prep meets the demand for a highly sensitive, yet robust method that consistently generates high-quality, full-length transcript sequencing libraries from single cells or as little as 2 pg–200 ng of total RNA.

Optimized cDNA synthesis and amplification steps incorporate template switching, using a unique protocol and suite of reagents, and even low-abundance transcripts are represented in the high yields of cDNA obtained. Subsequent library construction incorporates the Ultra II FS enzymatic DNA fragmentation/end repair/dA-tailing mix in a simple and efficient workflow.

Generate higher library yields with the NEBNext Single Cell/ Low Input RNA Library Prep Kit



Sequencing libraries were generated from HeLa, Jurkat and M1 single cells or 10 pg of Universal Human Reference (UHR) RNA (Agilent® #740000) with recommended amounts of ERCC RNA Spike-In Mix I (Thermo Fisher Scientific® #4456740). The NEBNext Single Cell/Low Input RNA Library Prep Kit, or the SMART-Seq v4 Ultra Low Input RNA Kit for Sequencing (Clontech® #634891) plus the Nextera XT DNA Library Prep Kit (Illumina® #FC-131-1096) were used. For the NEBNext workflow ~80% of the cDNA was used as input into sequencing library preparation, and libraries were amplified with 8 PCR cycles. For the SMART-Seq v4/Nextera XT workflow, as recommended, 125 pg of cDNA was used as input in sequencing library preparation and 12 PCR cycles were used for amplification. Error bars indicate standard deviation for 6-11 replicates

FEATURED PRODUCTS

NEBNext Single Cell/Low Input RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina (NEB #E6420)

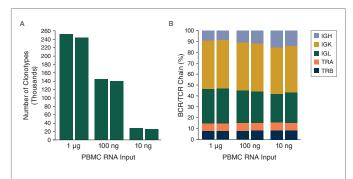
NEBNext Single Cell/Low Input cDNA Synthesis & Amplification Module (NEB #E6421)

- Generate the highest yields of high-quality cDNA and sequencing libraries from single cells, or as little as 2 pg—200 ng total RNA
- Experience unmatched detection of low abundance transcripts
- Rely on consistent and uniform transcript detection for a wide range of input amounts and sample types
- Use with a variety of RNA inputs, including cultured or primary cells, or total RNA
- Save time with a fast, streamlined workflow, minimal hands-on time, and automation compatibility

Immune-cell Sequencing

The NEBNext Immune Sequencing Kits (Human) and (Mouse) enable exhaustive profiling of somatic mutations in the full-length immune gene repertoires of B cells and T cells, via the expression of complete antibody chains. This includes modular primer sets, providing information for complete V, D, and J segments and full isotype information analysis (IgM, IgD, IgG, IgA and IgE), and TCR α and TCR β chain characterization.

The NEBNext Immune Sequencing Kit is able to generate both BCR and TCR libraries in one tube



Human BCR+TCR libraries were constructed from 1 µg, 100 ng and 10 ng human PBMC Total RNA (Takara Bio #636592) with replicates for each input. Libraries were downsampled to 950,000 reads for all the libraries. pRESTO tools were used for quality filtering of reads, sequence assemble, and generation of consensus sequence UMIs. V, D and J assignment was done using MiGMAP. (A) Number of clonotypes detected for each human PBMC Total RNA input. (B) B cell chains and T cell chains percentages in each library.

FEATURED PRODUCTS

NEBNext Immune Sequencing Kit (Human) (NEB #E6320)

NEBNext Immune Sequencing Kit (Mouse) (NEB #E6330)

- Unlock the immune system's complexity with a deeper analysis of receptor sequences
- Enrich for and sequence both B cell receptors (BCR) and T cell receptors (TCR)
- Generate full-length immune gene repertoires of B and T cells
- Accurately quantify transcripts with unique molecular identifiers (UMIs)
- Analyze data using a bioinformatic workflow based on the open-source pRESTO toolkit



qPCR and RT-qPCR

Quantitative PCR (qPCR) uses real-time fluorescence to measure the quantity of DNA present at each cycle during a PCR. A wide variety of approaches have been developed for generating a fluorescent signal, the most common of which use either hydrolysis probes (e.g., TaqMan[®]), or a double-stranded DNA binding dye, (e.g., SYBR[®] Green). qPCR can be modified to detect and quantitate RNA by adding a reverse transcriptase (RT) step upstream of the qPCR assay to generate cDNA (i.e., RT-qPCR). Reverse transcription can be performed separately from qPCR or directly in the qPCR mix (i.e., one-step RT-qPCR). One-step workflows are commonly favored in molecular diagnostic assays and where sample inputs may be limiting. Separate cDNA synthesis followed by qPCR (i.e., two-step RT-qPCR) is preferred when multiple interrogations will be made of the same starting material or where archiving of cDNA may be required.

Lighting the way with Luna

Luna products from NEB are optimized for qPCR or RT-qPCR, and are available for either intercalating dye or probe-based detection methods. All Luna products provide robust performance on diverse sample sources and target types.

Find the right Luna product for your application

	2 Select your detection method						
		Dye-based	Probe-based				
	Genomic DNA or cDNA	Luna [®] Universal qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3003)	Luna Universal Probe qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3004)				
Select your target	Purified RNA One-Step RT-qPCR	Luna Universal One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (NEB #E3005)	Luna Universal Probe One-Step RT-qPCR: • Kit (NEB #E3006)* • 4X Mix with UDG (NEB #M3019)* • LyoPrime Luna" Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Mix with UDG (NEB #L4001)				
ina Q Uain In-Step II In-Step II In-Step II In-Step II ISOLADS	Two-Step RT-qPCR	LunaScript [®] RT SuperMix (NEB #E3010/M3010) + Luna Universal qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3003)	LunaScript RT SuperMix (NEB #E3010/M3010) + Luna Universal Probe qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3004)				
	RNA from cell lysate	Luna Cell Ready One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (NEB #E3030)	Luna Cell Ready Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (NEB #E3031)				
	the DOX Versions susible						

*No ROX Versions available.

Doing one-step RT-qPCR?

The Luna RT-qPCR kits contain a novel, *in silico*-designed reverse transcriptase (RT) engineered for improved performance. Both the Luna WarmStart Reverse Transcriptase and Hot Start *Taq* DNA Polymerase, included in these kits, utilize a temperature-sensitive, reversible aptamer, which inhibits activity below 45°C. This enables room temperature reaction setup and prevents undesired non-specific activity. The Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR 4X Mix with UDG (NEB #M3019) is supplied at 4X concentration and enables higher amounts of sample input, which is relevant for applications where RNA present in low abundance is of interest, such as viral RNA or pathogen detection.

FEATURED PRODUCTS

Luna Universal qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3003)

Luna Universal Probe qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3004)

Luna Universal One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (NEB #E3005)

Luna Universal Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (NEB #E3006)

Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (No ROX) (NEB #E3007)

Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR 4X Mix with UDG (NEB #M3019)

Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR 4X Mix with UDG (No ROX) (NEB #M3029)

Luna SARS-CoV-2 RT-qPCR Multiplex Assay Kit (NEB #E3019)

LyoPrime^m Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Mix with UDG (NEB #L4001)

Make a Simpler Choice

- Convenient master mix and supermix formats with user-friendly protocols simplify reaction setup
- Non-interfering, visible tracking dye helps to eliminate pipetting errors

Experience Best-in-class Performance

- Products perform consistently across a wide variety of sample sources
- Master mixes support carryover prevention

Optimize Your One-Step RT-qPCR with Luna WarmStart® Reverse Transcriptase

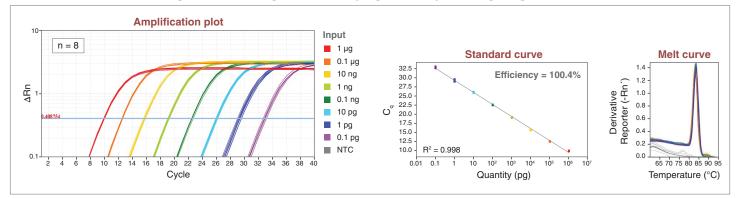
- Novel, thermostable reverse transcriptase (RT) improves performance
- WarmStart RT paired with Hot Start *Taq* increases reaction specificity and robustness





Find an overview of qPCR.



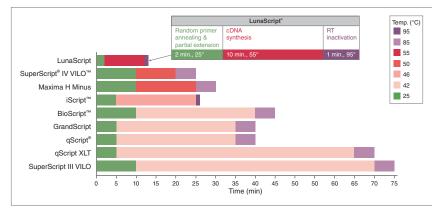


Luna WarmStart Reverse Transcriptase exhibits exceptional sensitivity, reproducibility and RT-qPCR performance

Doing two-step RT-qPCR?

LunaScript RT SuperMix is an optimized master mix for first strand cDNA synthesis and can be used in amplicon sequencing or a two-step RT-qPCR workflow. LunaScript delivers best-in-class performance, user-friendly protocols, and includes a convenient blue dye to track your sample throughout the RT-qPCR workflow. cDNA products generated by LunaScript have been extensively evaluated in qPCR using the Luna Universal qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3003) and Luna Universal Probe qPCR Master Mix (NEB #M3004). In combination, these products provide a two-step RT-qPCR workflow with excellent sensitivity and accurate, linear quantitations.

At just 13 minutes, the LunaScript RT SuperMix Kit offers the shortest available first-strand cDNA synthesis protocol



Comparison of recommended protocols for cDNA synthesis. The LunaScript RT SuperMix Kit requires the shortest reaction time and tolerates elevated temperatures, reducing complications from RNA secondary structure.

LOOKING FOR REVERSE TRANSCRIPTASES (RTs) FOR OTHER APPLICATIONS?

NEB offers several RTs, including ProtoScript II Reverse Transcriptase (NEB #M0368) and WarmStart RTx Reverse Transcriptase (NEB #M0380), which can be used in isothermal amplification (e.g., LAMP). See page 22 for the full list of RTs available and visit **www.neb.com/isoamp** for new product updates.

FEATURED PRODUCT

LunaScript RT SuperMix Kit (NEB #E3010)

LunaScript RT SuperMix (NEB #M3010)

LunaScript RT Master Mix Kit (Primer-free) (NEB #E3025)

Optimize your RT-qPCR

- Simplify reaction setup with convenient supermix format or incorporate your own primers using our primer-free mix (NEB #E3025)
- Eliminate pipetting errors with non-interfering, visible tracking dye
- Synthesize cDNA in less than 15 minutes
- LunaScript RT SuperMix (NEB #M3010) does not include a No-RT control mix or nuclease-free water
- Enjoy consistent linearity, sensitivity, and capacity for reliable RNA quantification





Optimization Tips for RT-qPCR with Luna

TIPS FOR OPTIMIZATION

New England Biolabs provides Luna products for your qPCR and RT-qPCR experiments. For more information on these products, visit **LUNAqPCR.com**. The following tips can be used to help optimize your One-Step RT-qPCR.

TARGET SELECTION

- Short PCR amplicons, ranging from 70 to 200 bp, are recommended for maximum PCR efficiency
- Target sequences should ideally have a GC content of 40–60%
- · Avoid highly repetitive sequences when possible
- Target sequences containing significant secondary structure should be avoided

RNA TEMPLATE

- Use high quality, purified RNA templates whenever possible. Luna qPCR is compatible with RNA samples prepared through typical nucleic acid purification methods.
- Prepared RNA should be stored in an EDTA-containing buffer (e.g., 1X TE) for long-term stability
- Template dilutions should be freshly prepared in either TE or water for each qPCR experiment
- Treatment of RNA samples with DNase I (NEB #M0303) may minimize amplification from genomic DNA contamination
- Generally, useful concentrations of standard and unknown material will be in the range of 10⁸ copies to 10 copies. Note that for dilutions in the single-copy range, some samples will contain multiple copies and some will have none, as defined by the Poisson distribution. For total RNA, Luna One-Step Kits can provide linear quantitation over an 8-order input range of 1 µg−0.1 pg. For most targets, a standard input range of 100 ng−10 pg total RNA is recommended. For purified mRNA, input of ≤ 100 ng is recommended. For *in vitro*-transcribed RNA, input of ≤ 10⁹ copies is recommended.

PRIMERS

- Primers should typically be 15–30 nucleotides in length
- Ideal primer content is 40–60% GC
- Primer Tm should be approximately 60°C
- Primer Tm calculation should be determined with NEB's Tm calculator. (Tmcalculator.neb.com) using the Hot Start Taq setting.
- For best results in qPCR, primer pairs should have Tm values that are within 3°C
- Avoid secondary structure (e.g., hairpins) within each primer and potential dimerization between primers
- G homopolymer repeats \geq 4 should be avoided

- The optimal primer concentration for dye-based experiments and probe-based experiments is 400 nM. If necessary, the primer concentration can be optimized between 100–900 nM.
- Higher primer concentrations may increase secondary priming and create spurious amplification products
- When using primer design software, enter sufficient sequence around the area of interest to permit robust primer design and use search criteria that permit cross-reference against relevant sequence databases to avoid potential off-target amplification
- It is advisable to design primers across known exonexon junctions in order to prevent amplification from genomic DNA

HYDROLYSIS PROBES

- Probes should typically be 15–30 nucleotides in length to ensure sufficient quenching of the fluorophore
- The optimal probe concentration is 200 nM but may be optimized between 100 to 500 nM
- · Both single or double-quenched probes may be used
- In general, non-fluorescence quenchers result in better signal-to-noise ratio than fluorescence quenchers
- Ideal probe content is 40-60% GC
- The probe Tm should be 5–10°C higher than the Tm of the primers to ensure all targeted sequences are saturated with probe prior to amplification by the primers
- Probes may be designed to anneal to either the sense or antisense strand
- Generally, probes should be designed to anneal in close proximity to either the forward or reverse primer without overlapping
- Avoid a 5⁻-G base which is known to quench 5⁻-fluorophores

MULTIPLEXING

- Avoid primer/probe combinations that contain complementary sequences, and ensure target sequences do not overlap
- Probes should be designed such that each amplicon has a unique fluorophore for detection
- Select fluorophores based on the detection capabilities of the available real-time PCR instrument
- The emission spectra of the reporter fluorophores should not overlap
- Test each primer/probe combination in a singleplex reaction to establish a performance baseline. Ensure C_q values are similar when conducting the multiplex qPCR.
- Pair dim fluorescence dyes with high abundance targets and bright dyes with low abundance targets

 Optimization may require lower primer/probe concentrations to be used for high copy targets along with higher concentrations for low copy targets

REVERSE TRANSCRIPTION

- The default reverse transcription temperature is 55°C
- For difficult targets, the temperature of reverse transcription may be increased to 60°C for 10 minutes
- Due to the WarmStart feature of the Luna RT, reverse transcription temperatures lower than 50°C are not recommended

CYCLING CONDITIONS

- Generally, best performance is achieved using the cycling conditions provided in the manual
- Longer amplicons (> 400 bp) can be used but may require optimization of extension times
- Due to the dual WarmStart/Hot Start feature of the Luna kits, it is not necessary to preheat the thermocycler prior to use
- Select the "Fast" ramp speed where applicable (e.g., Applied Biosystems QuantStudio).
- Amplification for 40 cycles is sufficient for most applications, but for very low input samples 45 cycles may be used

REACTION SETUP

- For best results, keep reactions on ice prior to thermocycling
- A reaction volume of 20 µl is recommended for 96-well plates while a reaction volume of 10 µl is recommended for 384-well plates
- Reactions should be carried out in triplicate for each sample
- For each amplicon, ensure to include no template controls (NTC)
- A no Luna RT control should be conducted to guarantee amplification is specific for RNA input and not due to genomic DNA contamination
- To prevent carry-over contamination, treat reactions with 0.2 units/µl Antarctic Thermolabile UDG (NEB #M0372) for 10 minutes at room temperature prior to thermocycling
- The Luna reference dye supports broad instrument compatibility (High-ROX, Low-ROX, ROX-independent) so no additional ROX is required for normalization

ASSAY PERFORMANCE

- Ensure 90–110% PCR efficiency for the assay over at least three log₁₀ dilutions of template.
- Linearity over the dynamic range (R²) should ideally be ≥ 0.99
- Target specificity should be confirmed by product size, sequencing or melt-curve analysis



PROBLEM	PROBABLE CAUSE(S)	SOLUTION(S)	
	Incorrect RT step temperature or RT step omitted	 For typical use, a 55°C RT step temperature is optimal for the Luna WarmStart Reverse Transcriptase 	
	Incorrect cycling protocol	• Refer to the proper RT-qPCR cycling protocol in product manual	
	Reagent omitted from RT-qPCR assay	• Verify all steps of the protocol were followed correctly	
n DOD transport show law	Reagent added improperly to RT-qPCR assay		
qPCR traces show low or no amplification	Incorrect channel selected for the qPCR thermal cycler	• Verify correct optical settings on the qPCR instrument	
		 Prepare high quality RNA without RNase/DNase contamination Confirm template input amount 	
	RNA template or reagents are contaminated or degraded	Confirm the expiration dates of the kit reagents	
		Verify proper storage conditions provided in product manual	
		Rerun the RT-qPCR assay with fresh reagents	
	Improper pipetting during RT-qPCR assay set-up	Ensure proper pipetting techniques	
	qPCR plate film has lost its seal, causing evaporation in the well. The resulting qPCR trace may show significantly different fluorescence	 Ensure the qPCR plate is properly sealed before inserting into the qPCR thermal cycler 	
Inconsistent qPCR traces for	values relative to its replicates.	 Exclude problematic trace(s) from data analysis 	
triplicate data	Poor mixing of reagents during RT-qPCR set-up	Make sure all reagents are properly mixed after thawing them	
		Avoid bubbles in the qPCR plate	
	Bubbles cause an abnormal qPCR trace	Centrifuge the qPCR plate prior to running it in the thermal cycler	
		 Exclude problematic trace(s) from data analysis 	
		• Refer to the proper RT-qPCR cycling protocol in product manual	
	Cycling protocol is incorrect	• Use a 55°C RT step	
		 For ABI instruments, use a 1 minute 60°C annealing/extension step 	
	Presence of outlying qPCR traces	Omit data produced by qPCR traces that are clearly outliers caused by bubbles, plate sealing issues, or other experimental problems	
Standard curve has a poor correlation coefficient/	Improper pipetting during RT-qPCR assay set-up	Ensure that proper pipetting techniques are used	
efficiency or the standard curve falls outside the	Reaction conditions are incorrect	Verify that all steps of the protocol were followed correctly	
90–110% range	Bubbles cause an abnormal qPCR trace	Avoid bubbles in the qPCR plate	
	Dubbles cause an abhornaí di Ch trace	• Centrifuge the qPCR plate prior to running it in the thermal cycler	
	Poor mixing of reagents	After thawing, make sure all reagents are properly mixed	
		• Ensure the threshold is set in the exponential region of qPCR traces	
	Threshold is improperly set for the qPCR traces	Refer to the real-time instrument user manual to manually set an appropriate threshold	
		Compare melt curve of NTC to samples	
Melt curve shows different peaks for low input samples	Non-template amplification is occurring Infrequently, denaturation of a single species can occur in a biphasic	 Redesign primers with a Tm of 60°C or use our Tm calculator to determine the optimal annealing temperature of the primers 	
peaks for low input samples	manner, resulting in two peaks	 Perform a primer matrix analysis to determine optimal primer concentrations 	
		Replace all stocks and reagents	
No template control qPCR	Reagents are contaminated with carried-over products of previous qPCR (melt curve of NTC matches melt curve of higher input	• Clean equipment and setup area with 10% chlorine bleach	
trace shows amplification/NTC C_ is close to or overlapping	standards)	• Consider use of 0.2 U/µl Antarctic Thermolabile UDG to eliminate	
lower copy standards		carryover products	
	Primers produce non-specific amplification (melt curve of NTC does not match melt curve of higher input standards)	* Redesign primers with a Tm of 60°C or use qPCR primer design software	
Amplification in	RNA is contaminated with genomic DNA	• Treat sample with DNase I	
No-RT control	All the containing on their gonomic Divit	 Redesign amplicon to span exon-exon junction 	



RNA Synthesis

In vitro synthesis of single-stranded RNA molecules is a widely used laboratory procedure that is critical to RNA research, as well as to RNA biopharmaceuticals. This technique is versatile in that it allows the researcher to tailor synthesis and introduce modifications to produce a transcript. Downstream applications include biochemical and molecular characterization of RNA for RNA-protein interactions and structural analyses, generation of RNA aptamers, synthesis of functional mRNAs for expression, and generation of small RNAs for alteration of gene expression (e.g., guide RNAs, RNAi). Furthermore, the use of *in vitro* synthesized RNA has been instrumental in the development of RNA vaccines and CRISPR/Cas9 genome editing tools, generation of pluripotent stem cells, screening of RNA inhibitors, as well as development of RNA amplification-based diagnostics.

High-yield robust reactions require optimization of each reaction component. NEB offers five in vitro RNA synthesis kits, all of which have been optimized to generate reproducible yields of quality RNA. Additionally, individual components can be purchased for in vitro transcription (IVT) and mRNA capping.

NEB's portfolio of research-grade and GMP-grade* reagents enables bench-scale to commercialscale mRNA manufacturing. Our optimized HiScribe kits enable convenient in vitro transcription (IVT) workflows. When it is time to scale up and optimize reaction components, our standalone reagents are readily available in formats matching our GMP-grade offering, enabling a seamless transition to large-scale therapeutic mRNA manufacturing.

For more information on products available for RNA synthesis, visit NEBrna.com and download our RNA Synthesis Brochure

* "GMP-grade" is a branding term NEB uses to describe reagents manufactured or finished at our Rowley, MA facility, where we utilize procedures and process controls to manufacture reagents under more rigorous conditions to achieve more stringent product specifications, and in compliance with ISO 9001 and ISO 13485 quality management system standards. NEB does not manufacture or sell products known as Active Pharmaceutical Ingredients (APIs), nor do we manufacture products in compliance with all of the Current Good Manufacturing Practice regulations.

TEMPLATE GENERATION	IN VITRO TRANSCRIPTION	RNA CAPPING	POLY(A) TAILING	RNA PURIFICATION
Q5 [®] High-Fidelity DNA	HiScribe® T7 mRNA Kit with	CleanCap [®] Reagent AG	<i>E. coli</i> Poly(A) Polymerase	Monarch [®] RNA
Polymerase	HiScribe T7 ARCA mRNA Sy	nthesis Kit (with tailing)	· · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · · ·	Cleanup Kit (10 µg)
dNTP solution mixes	HiScribe T7 ARCA mRNA Sy	nthesis Kit		Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (50 µg)
GMP BspQI*	GMP HiScribe T7 High Yield RNA Synthesis Components	GMP COMING SOON Faustovirus Capping Enzyme		Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (500 µg)
DNA Assembly • NEBuilder HiFi DNA	HiScribe T7 Quick High Yield RNA Synthesis Kit	GMP Vaccinia Capping System		Lithium Chloride
Assembly Golden Gate Assembly	HiScribe SP6 High Yield RNA Synthesis Kit	GMP mRNA Cap 2'-0-Methyltranferase		
	T3 & SP6 RNA Polymerases	ARCA and other mRNA cap analogs		
	GMP T7 RNA Polymerase			
	Hi-T7 RNA Polymerase	_		
	Companion Products			Companion Products
	GMP RNase inhibitor (Murine)			Monarch RNA Cleanup Binding Buffer
	RNase Inhibitor (Human Placental)			Monarch RNA Cleanup Wash Buffer
	GMP Pyrophosphatase, Inorganic (<i>E. coli</i>)			Nuclease-free Water
	Pyrophosphatase, Inorganic (Yeast)			
	GMP DNase I (RNase-free)	_		
	NTPs			

mRNA synthesis workflow example & available NEB products



Generate Microgram Quantities of RNA with HiScribe

The HiScribe High Yield RNA Synthesis Kits are ideal for numerous downstream applications. Use the guide below to determine which kit is best suited for your application.

AV Second				T7 KITS			SP6 KITS
	APPLICATION	HiScribe T7 High Yield RNA Synthesis Kit (#E2040)	HiScribe T7 Quick High Yield RNA Synthesis Kit (#E2050)	HiScribe T7 ARCA mRNA Kit (#E2065)	HiScribe T7 ARCA mRNA (with Tailing) (#E2060)	HiScribe T7 mRNA Kit with CleanCap Reagent AG (#E2080)	HiScribe SP6 RNA Synthesis Kit (#E2070)
	Fluorescent labeling: FAM, Cyanine (Cy) dyes, etc. • Fluorescent <i>in situ</i> hybridization (FISH)		~				~
Probe labeling	Non-fluorescent labeling: Biotin, Digoxigenin • In situ hybridization • Blot hybridization with secondary detection • Microarray		~				~
	High specific activity radiolabeling • Blot hybridization • RNase protection	~					~
	Streamlined mRNA synthesis with ARCA co-transcriptional capping and enzymatic poly(A) tailing • Transfection • Microinjection • <i>In vitro</i> translation				V		
	Streamlined ARCA capped RNA synthesis • Template encoded poly(A) tails • Non polyadenylated transcripts • Transfection • Microinjection • <i>In vitro</i> translation			۷			
	Co-transcriptional capping with alternate cap analogs Transfection Microinjection <i>In vitro</i> translation 		~				~
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	Post-transcriptional capping with Faustovirus Capping Enzyme or Vaccinia Capping System • Transfection • Microinjection • <i>In vitro</i> translation	v	~				~
	Complete substitution of NTPs: 5-mC, pseudouridine, etc.	~				~	~
	Partial substitution of NTPs: 5-mC, pseudouridine, etc.	~	v	~	~	~	~
	Unmodified RNA		v				~
	Hairpins, short RNA, dsRNA • Gene knockdown		v				~
	Complete substitution of NTPs • Aptamer selection • Isotopic labeling	~					~
Structure, function, & binding studies	Partial substitution of one or more NTPs • Aptamer selection • Structure determination		~				~
	Unmodified RNA • SELEX • Structure determination		~				~



Generating Guide RNA for CRISPR/Cas9 Experiments

Cas nucleases are central components of CRISPR-based immunity, a mechanism used to protect a bacterial or archaeal cell from invading viral and foreign DNA. CRISPRs (clustered regularly interspaced short palindromic repeats) are DNA loci that contain multiple, short, repeated sequences, separated by unique "spacer DNA". The CRISPR locus is transcribed and processed into short guide RNAs (gRNAs) that are incorporated into Cas nuclease. The RNA corresponding to the spacer DNA guides the Cas nuclease to its target by complementary base pairing; double-stranded DNA cleavage results.

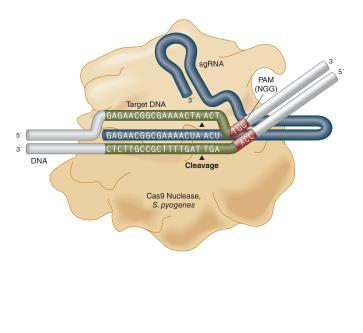
Cas nucleases have been adapted for use in genome engineering because they can easily be programmed for target specificity by supplying gRNAs of any sequence. In cells and animals, genome targeting is performed by expressing nucleases and gRNA from DNA constructs (plasmid or virus), supplying RNA encoding Cas nuclease and gRNA, or by introducing RNA-programmed Cas nuclease directly.

The EnGen sgRNA Synthesis Kit, *S. pyogenes* provides a simple and quick method for transcribing high yields of sgRNA in a single 30-minute reaction, using the supplied reagents and target-specific DNA oligos designed by the user.

General workflow for the EnGen sgRNA Synthesis Kit, S. pyogenes.



Schematic representation of Cas9 Nuclease, *S. pyogenes* recognition and DNA cleavage

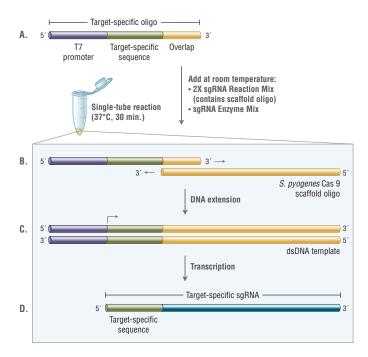


FEATURED PRODUCT

EnGen sgRNA Synthesis Kit (NEB #E3322)

- Reduce protocol time with single-reaction format
- Generate up to 25 µg of sgRNA
- Facilitate troubleshooting with included control oligo provided
- Save money with reduced cost per reaction

sgRNA Synthesis with EnGen is complete in less than one hour





Interested in Designing Your Own Workflows?

NEBs broad portfolio of enzyme specificities and reagents enables development of creative workflows for your RNA research. For example, RNA can be modified with enzymes and reagents that act selectively depending on the existence of particular structures, and hence are useful tools for characterizing RNA species. The selective properties of RNA modifying enzymes enable researchers to distinguish different RNA species. Some unique end modifications can be used to selectively degrade or isolate particular RNA species when treated sequentially with the appropriate series of enzymes. For instance, 5'-capped RNAs are not substrates for polynucleotide kinases, or RNA ligases, but are substrates for decapping enzymes. Similarly, ligation and poly-adenylation of RNA 3' end requires a free 3'-OH.

Featured product: RNA ligases

NEB offers a wide selection of ligases with varying activities to support a variety of applications. Use the selection chart to choose the best RNA ligase for your needs.

	RNA LIGASES							
	T4 RNA Ligase 1 (#M0204)	T4 RNA Ligase 2 (#M0239)	T4 RNA Ligase 2 Truncated (#M0242)	T4 RNA Ligase 2 Truncated K227Q (#M0351)	T4 RNA Ligase 2 Truncated KQ (#M0373)	ThermoStable 5' App DNA/RNA Ligase (#M0319)	5' Adenylation Kit (#E2610)	RtcB Ligase (#M0458)
RNA APPLICATIONS								
Nicks in dsRNA		~~~						
Labeling of 3´ Termini of RNA	~~~		V	~	V	~		
Ligation of ssRNA to ssRNA	~~~							
Ligation of Preadenylated Adaptors to RNA	~~		~~	~~	~~~	~~		
5´ Adenylation							~~~	
Ligation of 3´P and 5´OH of ssRNA								~~~
DNA APPLICATIONS								
Ligation of Preadenylated Adaptors to ssDNA						~~~		
DNA/RNA APPLICATIONS								
Joining of RNA and DNA in a ds-structure		~~						
Ligation of RNA and DNA with 3' P and 5' OH								~~
NGS APPLICATIONS								
NGS Library Prep dsDNA-dsDNA (Ligation)								
NGS Library Prep ssRNA-ssDNA (Ligation)								
NGS Library Prep ssRNA-ds-Adaptor Splinted Ligation								
FEATURES								
Thermostable						•	٠	
Recombinant	٠	•	•	•	٠	•	۰	•

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Optimal, recommended ligase for selected application	Works well for selected application	Will perform selected application, but is not recommended	Please consult the specific NGS protocol to determine the optimal enzyme for your needs



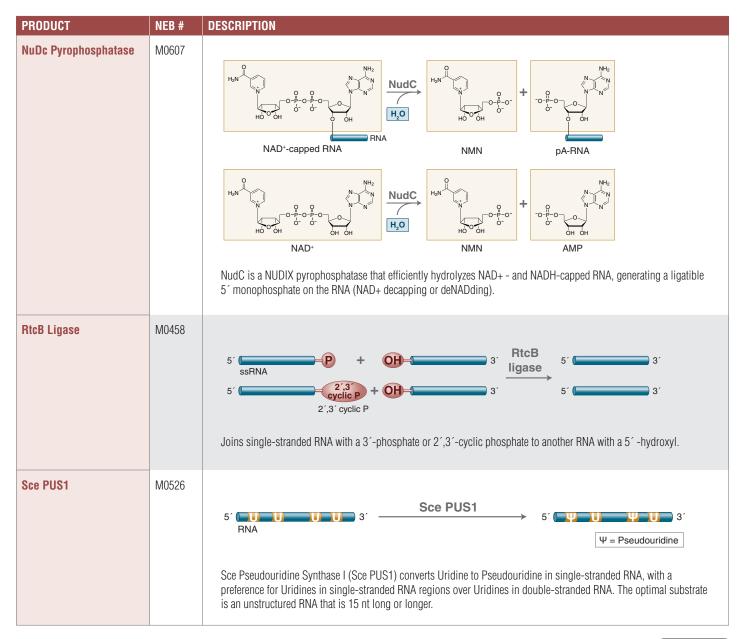
## **Enzymes for Innovation**

The NEB catalog highlights a wide variety of enzyme functionalities found in nature or engineered for specific purposes. However, in molecular biology, new tools can often lead to new discoveries. Taking advantage of the enzymology expertise at NEB, we are offering novel enzymes with interesting and unique activities for manipulating DNA, RNA, proteins and glycans, even if specific applications for them have yet to be discovered. Our hope is that by engaging researchers' imaginations, our "Enzymes for Innovation" initiative will enable the development of new molecular techniques that so often lead to new discoveries..

### FEATURED PRODUCTS

NuDc Pyrophosphatase (NEB #M0607) RtcB Ligase (NEB #M0458) Sce PUS1 (NEB #M0526)

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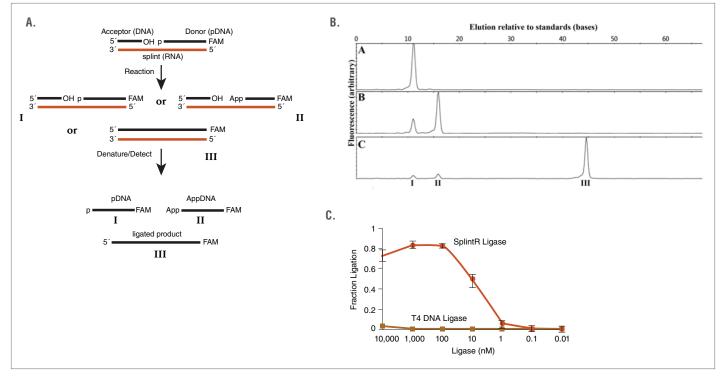


## Featured product: SplintR Ligase

Our broad portfolio of RNA ligases includes unique specificities such as SplintR Ligase, which efficiently catalyzes the ligation of adjacent, single-stranded DNA splinted by a complementary RNA strand. This previously unreported activity may enable novel approaches for characterization of miRNAs and mRNAs, including SNPs. SplintR is ideally suited for many target enrichment workflows with applications in next-generation sequencing and molecular diagnostics. The robust activity of the enzyme and its affinity for RNA-splinted DNA substrates (apparent Km = 1 nM) enable sub-nanomolar detection of unique RNA species within a complex mixture, making SplintR ligase a superior choice for demanding RNA detection technologies.

Learn more about SplintR Ligase in our webinar at neb.com/NEBTVwebinars





(A) Outline of the ligation assay: a 5'-phosphorylated, 3'-FAM labeled DNA "donor" oligonucleotide and an unmodified DNA "acceptor" oligonucleotide are annealed to a complementary RNA splint. This substrate is reacted with a ligase to form a mixture of unreacted starting material (I), adenylylated DNA (II), and ligated product (III). These products are denatured, separated by capillary electrophoresis and detected by fluorescence. (B) Ligation of the RNA-splinted substrate in SplintR Ligase Reaction Buffer for 15 minutes at 25°C with (a) no enzyme, (b) 1 μM T4 DNA Ligase and (c) 100 nM SplintR Ligase. Indicated peaks correspond to starting pDNA (I) and ligated product (III) as determined by co-elution with synthetically prepared standards. (C) The fraction of ligated product catalyzed by either SplintR Ligase or T4 DNA Ligase was analyzed by performing sets of ligations with both ligases at concentrations between 10 pM and 10 μM for 15 minutes at 25°C. SplintR Ligase is clearly much more efficient at ligating RNA-splinted DNA Ligase.

## Ordering Information

## RNA Synthesis

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
HiScribe T7 mRNA Kit with CleanCap Reagent AG	E2080S	20 reactions
HiScribe T7 Quick High Yield RNA Synthesis Kit	E2050S	50 reactions
HiScribe T7 High Yield RNA Synthesis Kit	E2040S	50 reactions
HiScribe SP6 RNA Synthesis Kit	E2070S	50 reactions
HiScribe T7 ARCA mRNA Kit	E2065S	20 reactions
HiScribe T7 ARCA mRNA Kit (with tailing)	E2060S	20 reactions
T3 RNA Polymerase	M0378S	5,000 units
T7 RNA Polymerase	M0251S/L	5,000/25,000 units
SP6 RNA Polymerase	M0207S/L	2,000/10,000 units
Hi-T7 RNA Polymerase	M0658S	5,000 units
E. coli Poly(A) Polymerase	M0276S/L	100/500 units
Poly(U) Polymerase	M0337S	60 units
E. coli RNA Polymerase, Core Enzyme	M0550S	100 units
E. coli RNA Polymerase, Holoenzyme	M0551S	50 units
Ribonucleotide Solution Set	N0450S/L	10/50 µmol of each
Ribonucleotide Solution Mix	N0466S/L	10/50 µmol of each
Pyrophosphatase, Inorganic (E. coli)	M0361S/L	10/50 units
Pyrophosphatase, Inorganic (yeast)	M2403S/L	10/50 units
Thermostable Inorganic Pyrophosphatase	M0296S/L	250/1,250 units
mRNA Decapping Enzyme	M0608S	2,000 units
Vaccinia Capping System	M2080S	400 units
Faustovirus Capping Enzyme	M2081S/L	500/2,500 units
Anti-Reverse Cap Analog 3´-O-Me- m²G(5´)ppp(5´)G	S1411S/L	1/5 µmol
Standard Cap Analog m ⁷ G(5´)ppp(5´)G	S1404S/L	1/5 µmol
Unmethylated Cap Analog G (5´) ppp(5´)G	S1407S/L	1/5 µmol
Methylated Cap Analog for A + 1 sites m ⁷ G(5´)ppp(5´)A	S1405S/L	1/5 µmol
Unmethylated Cap Analog for A + 1 sites $G(5')ppp(5')A$	S1406S/L	1/5 µmol
mRNA Cap 2'-O-Methyltransferase	M0366S	2,000 units
3´-Desthiobiotin-GTP	N0761S	0.5 µmol

## cDNA Synthesis

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
ProtoScript II Reverse Transcriptase	M0368S/L/X	4,000/10,000/40,000 units
M-MuLV Reverse Transcriptase	M0253S/L	10,000/50,000 units
AMV Reverse Transcriptase	M0277S/L	200/1,000 units
WarmStart RTx Reverse Transcriptase	M0380S/L	50/250 reactions
ProtoScript II First Strand cDNA Synthesis Kit	E6560S/L	30/150 reactions
ProtoScript First Strand cDNA Synthesis Kit	E6300S/L	30/150 reactions

### RNA Detection

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
Luna Universal qPCR Master Mix	M3003S/L/X/E	200/500/1,000/2,500 reactions
Luna Universal Probe qPCR Master Mix	M3004S/L/X/E	200/500/1,000/2,500 reactions
Luna Universal One-Step RT-qPCR Kit	E3005S/L/X/E	200/500/1,000/2,500 reactions

## RNA Detection (cont.)

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
Luna Universal Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit	E3006S/L/X/E	200/500/1,000/2,500 reactions
Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit (No ROX)	E3007E	2,500 reactions
LunaScript RT SuperMix Kit	E3010S/L	25/100 reactions
LunaScript RT SuperMix	M3010L/X/E	100/500/2,500 reactions
LunaScript RT Master Mix Kit (Primer-free)	E3025S/L	25/100 reactions
Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR 4X Mix with UDG	M3019S/L/X/E	200/500/1,000/2,500 reactions
Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR 4X Mix with UDG (No ROX)	M3029S/L/E	200/500/2,000 reactions
Luna SARS-CoV-2 RT-qPCR Multiplex Assay Kit	E3019S/L	96/480 reactions
LyoPrime Luna Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Mix with UDG	L4001S	120 reactions

## RNA Ligases & Modifying Enzymes

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
T4 RNA Ligase 1 (ssRNA Ligase)	M0204S/L	1,000/5,000 units
T4 RNA Ligase 1 (ssRNA Ligase), high concentration	M0437M	5,000 units
T4 RNA Ligase 2 (dsRNA Ligase)	M0239S/L	150/750 units
T4 RNA Ligase 2, truncated	M0242S/L	2,000/10,000 units
T4 RNA Ligase 2, truncated K227Q	M0351S/L	2,000/10,000 units
T4 RNA Ligase 2, truncated KQ	M0373S/L	2,000/10,000 units
RtcB Ligase	M0458S/L	25 reactions
Thermostable 5´ AppDNA/RNA Ligase	M0319S/L	10/50 reactions
5´ DNA Adenylation Kit	E2610S/L	10/50 reactions
SplintR Ligase	M0375S/L	1,250/6,250 units
RNA 5´ Pyrophosphohydrolase (RppH)	M0356S	200 units
5´ Deadenylase	M0331S	1,000 units
RNase I _r	M0243S/L	5,000/25,000 units
RNase H	M0297S/L	250/1,250 units
RNase HII	M0288S/L	250/1,250 units
Quick Dephosphorylation Kit	M0508S/L	100/500 units
Antarctic Phosphatase	M0289S/L	1,000/5,000 units
Alkaline Phosphatase Calf Intestinal (CIP)	M0290S/L	1,000/5,000 units
Shrimp Alkaline Phosphatase (rSAP)	M0371S/L	500/2,500 units
T4 Polynucleotide Kinase	M0201S/L	500/2,500 units
ShortCut RNase III	M0245S/L	200/1,000 units
XRN-1	M0338S/L	20/100 units
Exonuclease T	M0265S/L	250/1,250 units
NudC Pyrophosphatase	M0607	250 pmol
Sce PUS1	M0526	5,000 pmol

## gRNA Synthesis

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
EnGen sgRNA Synthesis Kit, <i>S. pyogenes</i>	E3322S	20 reactions

## RNase Control

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
RNase Inhibitor, Murine	M0314S/L	3,000/15,000 units
RNase Inhibitor, Human Placenta	M0307S/L	2,000/10,000 units
Ribonucleoside Vanadyl Complex	S1402S	10 ml (200 mM)

### RNA Library Preparation for Next Generation Sequencing

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
NEBNext Single Cell/Low Input RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina	E6420S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Single Cell/Low Input cDNA Synthesis & Amplification Module	E6421S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina	E7760S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Ultra II Directional RNA Libnrary Prep with Sample Purification Beads	E7765S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Ultra II RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina	E7770S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Ultra II RNA Library Prep with Sample Purification Beads	E7775S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Small RNA Library Prep Set for Illumina (Set 1)	E7300S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Small RNA Library Prep Set for Illumina (Set 2)	E7580S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Small RNA Library Prep Kit for Illumina (Index Primers 1-48)	E7560S	96 reactions
NEBNext Small RNA Library Prep Set for Illumina (Multiplex Compatible)	E7330S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit (Human/Mouse/Rat)	E6310S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit (Human/Mouse/Rat) with RNA Sample Purification Beads	E6350S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit v2 (Human/Mouse/Rat)	E7400S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit v2 (Human/Mouse/Rat) with RNA Sample Purification Beads	E7405S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit (Bacteria)	E7850S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext rRNA Depletion Kit (Bacteria) with RNA Sample Purification Beads	E7860S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext Globin & rRNA Depletion Kit (Human/Mouse/Rat)	E7750S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext Globin & rRNA Depletion Kit (Human/Mouse/Rat) with RNA Sample Purification Beads	E7755S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext RNA Depletion Core Reagent Set	E7865S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext RNA Depletion Core Reagent Set with RNA Sample Purification Beads	E7870S/L/X	6/24/96 reactions
NEBNext Poly(A) mRNA Magnetic Isolation Module	E7490S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Library Quant Kit for Illumina	E7630S/L	100/500 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (Index Primers Set 1)	E7335S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (Index Primers Set 2)	E7500S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (Index Primers Set 3)	E7710S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (Index Primers Set 4)	E7730S/L	24/96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (96 Index Primers)	E6609S/L	96/384 reactions

### RNA Library Preparation for Next Generation Sequencing (cont.)

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (Dual Index Primers Set 1)	E7600S	96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (Dual Index Primers 2)	E7780S	96 reactions
NEBNext Multiplex Oligos for Illumina (96 Unique Dual Index Primer Pairs)	E6440S/L	96/384 reactions
NEBNext Singleplex Oligos for Illumina	E7350S/L	12/60 reactions
DNase I	S1402S	10 ml (200 mM)

### RNA Purification & Cleanup

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Kit	T2010S	50 preps
Monarch RNA Lysis Buffer	T2012L	100 ml
Monarch RNA Priming Buffer	T2013L	56 ml
Monarch RNA Wash Buffer	T2014L	50 ml
Monarch Collection Tubes II	T2018L	100 tubes
Monarch RNA Purification Columns	T2007L	100 columns
Monarch DNA/RNA Protection Reagent	T2011L	56 ml
Monarch Total RNA Miniprep Enzyme Pack (contains DNase I, Prot K, and associated buffers)	T2019L	1 pack
Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (10 $\mu\text{g})$	T2030S/L	10/100 preps
Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (50 µg)	T2040S/L	10/100 preps
Monarch RNA Cleanup Kit (500 µg)	T2050S/L	10/100 preps
Monarch RNA Cleanup Binding Buffer	T2041L	80 ml
Monarch RNA Cleanup Wash Buffer	T2042L	40 ml
Monarch RNA Cleanup Columns (10 μg)	T2037L	100 columns and tubes
Monarch RNA Cleanup Columns (50 µg)	T2047L	100 columns and tubes
Monarch RNA Cleanup Columns (500 µg)	T2057L	100 columns and tubes
Magnetic mRNA Isolation Kit	S1550S	25 isolations
Epimark N6-Methyladenosine Enrichment Kit	E1610S	20 reactions
Oligo $d(T)_{25}$ Magnetic Beads	S1419S	25 mg
Oligo $d(T)_{25}$ Cellulose Beads	S1408S	250 mg
Streptavidin Magnetic Beads	S1420S	5 ml (20 mg)
Hydrophilic Streptavidin Magnetic Beads	S1421S	5 ml (20 mg)
polyA Spin mRNA Isolation Kit	S1560S	8 isolations
p19 siRNA Binding Protein	M0310S	1,000 units

## RNA Markers & Ladders

PRODUCT	NEB #	SIZE
dsRNA Ladder	N0363S	25 gel lanes
microRNA Marker	N2102S	100 gel lanes
ssRNA Ladder	N0362S	25 gel lanes
Low Range ssRNA Ladder	N0364S	25 gel lanes
RNA Loading Dye (2X)	B0363S	4 ml
Universal miRNA Cloning Linker	S1315S	0.83 nmol

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