

Follow the instructions and incubations for each step. All mixing steps should be performed on ice. Pipette up and down 8 times or vortex to mix after re-suspending each lysphere and spin down prior to incubations and transfers. For incubations, use a lid heated $\geq 100^{\circ}\text{C}$, except where specified otherwise.

Random Priming	Add 20-250 ng RNA to Random Priming reagent for a total volume of 20 μL .	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Step</th> <th>Incubation Temperature</th> <th>Incubation Time</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>65°C</td> <td>5 min</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>4°C</td> <td>Hold</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Step	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Time	1	65°C	5 min	2	4°C	Hold						
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Second Strand cDNA Synthesis	Transfer 1 μL First Strand cDNA Synthesis mixture to 9 μL water for PreSeq RNA QC Assay.																
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End Repair	iTaq SYBR Green Supermix (Bio-Rad) – 5 μL 10X VCP Primer Mix – 1 μL Diluted cDNA sample or NTC – 4 μL																
	Transfer 40 μL Second Strand cDNA Synthesis mixture to End Repair reagent.	<table border="1"> <thead> <tr> <th>Step</th> <th>Incubation Temperature</th> <th>Incubation Time</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr> <td>1</td> <td>25°C</td> <td>30 min</td> </tr> <tr> <td>2</td> <td>4°C</td> <td>Hold</td> </tr> </tbody> </table>	Step	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Time	1	25°C	30 min	2	4°C	Hold						
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	AMPure™ XP clean-up (100 μL). Elute in 20 μL																

Ligation Step 1

Transfer 20 µL End Repair mixture to Ligation Step 1 reagent.

Incubate as indicated 🖱️

Step	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Time
1	37°C	15 min
2	4°C	Hold

AMPure™ XP clean-up (50 µL). Elute in 42 µL

MBC Adapters

Transfer 40 µL Ligation Step 1 mixture to the MBC adapters.

Ligation Step 2

Transfer the entire volume of the MBC adapters to Ligation Step 2 reagent.

Incubate as indicated with unheated lid 🖱️

STOP Optional stopping point before purification. Store at -10°C to -30°C.

Step	Incubation Temperature	Incubation Time
1	22°C	5 min
2	4°C	Hold

Ligation clean-up beads (50 µL). Elute in 18 µL 5 mM NaOH, 75°C 10 min

First PCR

Add 2 µL GSP1 primers to the First PCR reagent. Then add 18 µL of purified Adapter Ligation mixture and mix.

Incubate as indicated 🖱️

STOP Optional stopping point after this step. Store at -10°C to -30°C.

Incubation Temperature	Incubation Time	# of cycles
95°C	3 min	1
95°C	30 sec	15*
65°C *	5 min* (ramp rate 100%)	
72°C	3 min	1
4°C	Hold	1

AMPure™ XP clean-up (24 µL). Elute in 20 µL

Second PCR

Add 2 µL GSP2 primers to Second PCR reagent. Then add 18 µL of purified First PCR mixture and mix.

Incubate as indicated 🖱️

STOP Optional stopping point after this step. Store at -10°C to -30°C.

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72°C	3 min	1
4°C	Hold	1

AMPure™ XP clean-up (24 µL). Elute in 20 µL

* Refer to Product Insert for panel-specific parameters

Proceed with Ion Torrent™ Library Quantification Assay and Sequence