



# 🔒 selSeq: A method for the enrichment of non-polyadenylated RNAs including enhancer and long non-coding RNAs for sequencing 👥

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## ABSTRACT

Non-polyadenylated RNA includes a large subset of crucial regulators of RNA expression and constitutes a substantial portion of the transcriptome, playing essential roles in gene regulation. For example, enhancer RNAs are long non-coding RNAs that perform enhancer-like functions, are bi-directionally transcribed, and usually lack polyA tails. This paper presents a novel method, *seSeq*, that selectively removes mRNA and pre-mRNA from samples to enable the selective sequencing of crucial regulatory elements, including non-polyadenylated RNAs such as long non-coding RNA, enhancer RNA, and non-canonical mRNA.

## MATERIALS

### Required

🔗 SuperScript® III First-Strand Synthesis System Thermo Scientific Catalog #18080-051

🔗 RNase H - 1,250 units New England Biolabs Catalog #M0297L

🔗 TURBO DNase 2 U/uL Fisher Scientific Catalog #AM2239

🔗 Agencourt RNAClean XP Magnetic Beads Beckman Coulter Catalog #A63987

🔗 Ethanol Contributed by users

A thermocycler and a qPCR machine

A magnetic rack

### Optional

🔗 Luna Universal Probe One-Step RT-qPCR Kit - 200 rxns New England Biolabs Catalog #E3006S

🔗 Eukaryotic 18S rRNA Endogenous Control (FAM™/MGB probe, non-primer limited) Thermo Fisher Catalog #4333760F

🔗 TaqMan™ GAPDH Control Reagents (human) Thermo Fisher Catalog #402869

rRNA depletion oligos

## BEFORE START INSTRUCTIONS

Prewarm SuperScript III 10X Buffer to  Room temperature


### poly-A tailed cDNA synthesis

1 Mix the following in a 0.2ml tube

A	B
Component	Volume (µl)
Total RNA	1
Oligo dTs	1.5
10 mM dNTP mix	1.5
Nuclease-free H <sub>2</sub> O	10






poly-A tailed cDNA reaction synthesis components

2 Denature sample RNA/primer mixture for  00:05:00 at  65 °C then cool to  4 °C for  7m  
≥  00:02:00

3 Spin tube briefly and add the following and mix by pipetting  55m

A	B
Component	Volume (µl)
10X SuperScript III Buffer	2
25mM MgCl <sub>2</sub>	4
0.1M DTT	2
Superscript III Reverse Transcriptase	2

poly-A tailed cDNA reaction synthesis components

Incubate  50 °C for  00:50:00 followed by  00:05:00 at  85 °C to deactivate the enzyme, then cool to  4 °C and proceed to the next step

### Optional: rRNA depletion

4 Add in the appropriate rRNA depletion oligos for you sample  2m

Incubate 90 °C for 00:02:00 and ramp down to Room temperature at 0.1 °C per second then proceed to the next step

## poly-A tailed (and ribosomal) RNA depletion

- 5 Add 2  $\mu\text{L}$  of RNase H
- 6 Incubate 37 °C for 00:20:00 followed by 00:05:00 at 65 °C to deactivate the 25m enzyme, then cool it to 4 °C and proceed to the next step

## poly-A tailed (and ribosomal) DNA depletion

- 7 Add in the following components and mix gently by pipetting










A	B
Component	Volume ( $\mu\text{L}$ )
10X Turbo DNase Buffer	4
Turbo DNase	4
Nuclease-free H <sub>2</sub> O	10

DNase treatment components

- 8 Incubate at 37 °C for 00:30:00 30m

## Bead cleanup

- 9 Add 90  $\mu\text{L}$  (1.8X) of resuspended RNAClean XP Beads to the sample  
Mix by pipetting 10x

- 10 Incubate  00:15:00 at  On ice 15m
- 11 Place on the magnet, allow the beads to aggregate, and remove and discard the supernatant
- 12 Add  200  $\mu\text{L}$   80 % (v/v) ethanol and incubate (still on the magnet) for  00:00:30 30s
- 12.1 Remove the supernatant
- 12.2 Repeat  go to step #12 for a total of 2 washes
- 13 Air dry for  00:00:30, don't allow the beads to become cracked 30s
- 14 Remove the tubes from the magnetic rack  
Add  50  $\mu\text{L}$  H<sub>2</sub>O (optionally add-in  1  $\mu\text{L}$  RNase inhibitor) and resuspend the beads by pipetting  $\geq 10\times$
- 15 Incubate  00:05:00 at  Room temperature 5m
- 16 Place on the magnet, aspirate  50  $\mu\text{L}$  of the eluant into a new tube

## Optional: One-step RT-qPCR quantification

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A	B
Component	Volume ( $\mu$ l)
Luna Universal Probe One-Step Reaction Mix (2X)	5
Luna WarmStart RT Enzyme Mix (20X)	0.5
TaqMan GAPDH Control Reagents (human; 20x)	0.5
TaqMan 18S rRNA Control Reagents (eukaryotic; 20x)	0.5
RNA	2
Nuclease-free H <sub>2</sub> O	1.5

Luna RT-qPCR one-step quantification

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A	B	C	D	E
Step	Temp (C)	Time (s)	Cycles	Ramp Rate (C/s)
Reverse transcription	55	600	1	2.73
Denaturation	95	60	45	2.73
Denaturation	95	10		2.73
Amplification	60	30		2.11
Capture	60	0		–

Cycle parameters for QuantStudio 3