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Peregrine: A rapid and unbiased method to produce strand-specific RNA-Seq libraries from small quantities of starting material

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Figure S1: Effect of PCR cycling on insert size during library enrichment.

A single Peregrine-prepared *E. coli* K-12 ss cDNA library was subjected to our qPCR assay, and the optimal cycle number was determined to be 12 cycles. The ss cDNA library was then amplified and indexed using the indicated number of PCR cycles. Following sequencing, the sizes of all inserts were determined.

Figure S2: Effect of rRNA depletion treatments on relative abundances of *E. coli* transcripts in Peregrine and ScriptSeq libraries.

Libraries were prepared from *E. coli* K-12 total RNA, sequenced, and aligned to the reference *E. coli* genome. Read statistics for the library sub-samples analyzed are included in Tables S3 and S4. Transcript abundances (FPKM) are plotted as a function of library treatment. Points above the diagonal line represent transcripts that are enriched in treated (DSN or Ribo-Zero) libraries. Points on the axes represent transcripts with zero coverage in one of the two libraries. The number of data points in the diagonal cloud and on the axes is indicated. The coefficient of determination (R^2) value, as calculated for all transcripts represented in the libraries, is indicated as well. **A:** Libraries prepared using Peregrine in combination with DSN-mediated normalization (left panel) or Ribo-Zero treatment (right panel). The R^2 and Spearman rank correlation coefficient (ρ) values, as calculated for the 50% most abundant transcripts detected in the untreated library, are 0.964 and 0.937 (untreated *versus* DSN), and 0.802 and 0.740 (untreated *versus* RiboZero), respectively. **B:** Libraries prepared using ScriptSeq in combination with Ribo-Zero treatment. The R^2 and ρ values, as calculated for the 50% most abundant transcripts detected in the untreated library, are 0.802 and 0.799, respectively.

Figure S3: Technical replicates of Peregrine and ScriptSeq library preparation from *E. coli* K-12 RNA.

Libraries were prepared from *E. coli* K-12 RNA, sequenced, and aligned to the reference *E. coli* genome. Read statistics for the library sub-samples analyzed are included in Tables S3 and S4. Transcript abundances (FPKM) from two replicate libraries are plotted in each panel. Points on the axes represent transcripts with zero coverage in one of the two libraries. The number of data points in the diagonal cloud and on the axes is indicated. The coefficient of determination (R²) value, as calculated for all transcripts represented in the libraries, is indicated as well. **A:** Libraries prepared using Peregrine alone (left panel) or in combination with DSN-mediated normalization (middle panel) or Ribo-Zero treatment (right panel). **B:** Libraries prepared using ScriptSeq alone (left panel) or in combination with Ribo-Zero treatment (right panel).

Figure S4: Effect of rRNA depletion treatment on relative abundances of human PBMC transcripts in Peregrine libraries.

Peregrine libraries were prepared from human PBMC total RNA, sequenced, and aligned to the reference human genome. Transcript abundances (FPKM) are plotted as a function of library treatment. Dots above the diagonal line represent transcripts that are enriched in treated (DSN-normalized) libraries. Points on the axes represent transcripts with zero coverage in one of the two libraries. The number of data points in the diagonal cloud and on the axes is indicated. The coefficient of determination (R²) value, as calculated for all transcripts represented in the libraries, is indicated as well. Read statistics for the libraries analyzed are included in Tables 2 and S5.

Figure S5: Technical replicates of Peregrine library preparation from human PBMC RNA.

Libraries were prepared from human PBMC RNA using Peregrine alone (left panel) or in combination with DSN-mediated normalization (right panel). The libraries were sequenced, and reads aligned to the reference human genome. Transcript abundances (FPKM) from two replicate libraries are plotted in each panel. Read statistics for the libraries analyzed are included in Tables 2 and S5.

Figure S6: Uniformity of coverage along length of transcripts in Peregrine libraries prepared from human PBMC RNA.

Average coverage at each percentile of length for all genes. Coverage depth was tabulated at each nucleotide position within each gene of 1000-5000 bp. Each gene was length-normalized by percentile, and coverage was calculated as the total number of sequenced bases in each percentile divided by the total number of sequenced bases. The first percentile represents the 5' end and the 100th percentile represents the 3' end of the gene. Read statistics for the libraries analyzed are included in Tables 2 and S5.

| Table 1. Strand specificity of Feregrine & Scriptseq infrares prepared from E. con KNA | | | | | | | | |
|--|-----------------|--------------|-------------------|--|--|--|--|--|
| Prep & Treatment | rRNA | CDS | CDS w/known asRNA | | | | | |
| Peregrine Untreated | 99.73 ± 0.01 | 94.77 ± 0.04 | 86.97 ± 0.35 | | | | | |
| Peregrine DSN | 99.86 ± 0.01 | 94.20 ± 0.23 | 87.17 ± 0.19 | | | | | |
| Peregrine Ribo-Zero | 2.21 ± 0.09 | 87.15 ± 1.28 | 81.72 ± 1.51 | | | | | |
| ScriptSeq Untreated | 99.53 ± 0.10 | 97.85 ± 0.19 | 94.04 ± 1.24 | | | | | |
| ScriptSeq Ribo-Zero | 22.33 ± 4.27 | 97.87 ± 0.30 | 93.11 ± 0.92 | | | | | |

Table 1: Strand specificity of Peregrine & ScriptSeq libraries prepared from *E. coli* RNA.

Table 2: Strand specificity of Peregrine libraries prepared from human PBMC RNA.

| Treatment | rRNA | CDS |
|-----------|--------------|--------------|
| Untreated | 99.50 ± 0.28 | 96.37 ± 0.00 |
| DSN | 99.71 ± 0.15 | 97.03 ± 0.00 |

Table S1: SGS read statistics for Peregrine libraries prepared from *E. coli* RNA.

| Treatment | Libraries | Raw Reads (millions) | Passed Qfilter (% of Raw) | Mapped to K12 (% of Qfilter) | Mapped to rRNA (% of Mapped) | Mapped to CDS (% of Mapped) | Coverage (% of CDS) |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Untreated | 2 | 26.7 ± 1.2 | 79.93 ± 0.13 | 99.41 ± 0.18 | 96.65 ± 0.06 | 2.34 ± 0.04 | 98.37 ± 0.00 |
| DSN | 4 | 21.9 ± 4.9 | 81.45 ± 1.20 | 95.89 ± 1.18 | 40.90 ± 2.88 | 49.87 ± 2.34 | 99.31 ± 0.00 |
| Ribo-Zero | 4 | 31.4 ± 2.9 | 62.52 ± 085 | 91.14 ± 0.93 | 26.17 ± 0.71 | 62.16 ± 0.78 | 99.30 ± 0.00 |

Table S2: SGS read statistics for ScriptSeq libraries prepared from *E. coli* RNA.

| Treatment | Libraries | Raw Reads (millions) | Passed Qfilter (% of Raw) | Mapped to K12 (% of Qfilter) | Mapped to rRNA (% of Mapped) | Mapped to CDS (% of Mapped) | Coverage (% of CDS |
|------------------|-----------|----------------------------|---------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|-----------------------|
| Untreated | 3 | 2.3 ± 0.2 | 96.72 ± 0.51 | 99.66 ± 0.04 | 98.28 ± 0.35 | 1.10 ± 0.11 | 59.93 ± 2.1 |
| Ribo-Zero | 3 | 1.6 ± 0.3 | 96.71 ± 0.30 | 96.21 ± 0.43 | 2.73 ± 0.46 | 72.55 ± 1.73 | 96.83 ± 0.9 |

Table S3: SGS read statistics for sub-sampled Peregrine & ScriptSeq libraries prepared from *E. coli* RNA.

| Prep and Treatment | Qfiltered Reads (millions) | Mapped to K12 (% of Qfilter) | Mapped to rRNA (% of Mapped) | Mapped to CDS (% of Mapped) | Coverage (% of CDS) |
|---------------------|----------------------------------|------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Peregrine Ribo-Zero | 2.0 | 91.03 | 27.38 | 61.20 | 99.25 |
| ScriptSeq Ribo-Zero | 2.0 | 96.46 | 2.57 | 70.03 | 97.34 |

Table S4: Strand specificity of sub-sampled Peregrine and ScriptSeq libraries prepared from *E. coli* RNA.

| Prep and Treatment | rRNA | CDS | CDS w/known asRNA |
|---------------------------|-------|-------|-------------------|
| Peregrine Untreated | 99.94 | 95.16 | 87.06 |
| Peregrine DSN | 99.93 | 94.13 | 86.94 |
| Peregrine Ribo-Zero | 1.48 | 86.80 | 81.61 |
| ScriptSeq Untreated | 99.59 | 97.91 | 94.75 |
| ScriptSeq Ribo-Zero | 17.87 | 97.89 | 93.50 |

Table S5: SGS read statistics for Peregrine libraries prepared from human PBMC RNA.

| Treatment | Libraries | Raw Reads (millions) | Passed Qfilter (% of Raw) | Mapped to hg19 (% of Qfilter) | Mapped to rRNA (% of Mapped) | Mapped to CDS (% of Mapped) | Coverage (% of CDS) |
|-----------|-----------|-------------------------|---------------------------------|-------------------------------------|------------------------------------|-----------------------------------|------------------------|
| Untreated | 2 | 21.9 ± 4.9 | 68.52 ± 10.15 | 97.29 ± 1.81 | 80.77 ± 1.58 | 3.98 ± 0.17 | 78.32 ± 0.00 |
| DSN | 4 | 26.7 ± 1.1 | 82.70 ± 1.29 | 93.17 ± 0.31 | 7.92 ± 3.33 | 25.56 ± 1.35 | 88.01 ± 0.01 |

Table S6: SGS read statistics for Peregrine libraries prepared from different amounts of human cell line A549 RNA.

| Input | Libraries | Raw Reads (millions) | % Passing Qfilter | % Mapped to Human | % CDS Covered | % CDS | % rRNA |
|--------|-----------|-------------------------|----------------------|----------------------|------------------|--------------|--------------|
| 100 ng | 2 | 29.7 ± 2.3 | 78.32 ± 1.93 | 88.73 ± 0.03 | 80.70 ± 0.01 | 33.45 ± 1.20 | 14.61 ± 2.64 |
| 50 ng | 2 | 28.9 ± 4.0 | 80.43 ± 2.29 | 88.48 ± 0.35 | 80.71 ± 0.01 | 34.69 ± 0.98 | 8.99 ± 1.39 |
| 10 ng | 2 | 32.7 ± 3.1 | 83.13 ± 0.89 | 88.18 ± 0.13 | 80.30 ± 0.00 | 36.76 ± 0.55 | 6.30 ± 0.66 |
| 1 ng | 2 | 33.3 ± 1.0 | 16.24 ± 1.22 | 45.49 ± 1.49 | 63.12 ± 0.00 | 6.65 ± 0.55 | 25.32 ± 3.01 |