

Lab Diary for Supercoilometer

Date: Monday, 12 September 2011 10:00

Topic: PCR to clone out the tyrT promoter

1) Set up the PCR reaction mixture below to clone out the tyrT promoter from the E. coli genome.

For template, a stock of competent TOP10 E coli cell was taken and vortexed to lyse the cell as much as possible.

The primer concentration used for PCR were 10 μ M

| Reagent | Volume |
|----------------------------|-----------|
| Distilled H ₂ O | 32.5 |
| 5 x HF buffer | 10.0 |
| dNTP | 1.0 |
| Forward primer | 2.5 |
| Reverse primer | 2.5 |
| Template | 1.0 |
| Phusion polymerase | 0.5 |
| TOTAL | 50 |

| Temperature | Time | Cycles |
|-------------|------|--------|
| 98 °C | 30s | x 1 |
| 98 °C | 10s | x 30 |
| 60 °C | 30s | |
| 72 °C | 15s | |
| 72 °C | 10m | x 1 |
| 4 °C | Hold | |

2) Ran the PCR product on a gel and faint band was observed confirming the PCR success

Date: Tuesday, 13 September 2011 10:00

Topic: PCR purification and transformation with CFP

1) PCR purified the TyrT promoter cloned from the E. coli genome into 50 μ l sample and measured the DNA concentration using NanoDrop.

Concentration: 10.0 ng/ μ l

2) Transformed a stock of Top10 E. coli cell with the CFP expression cassette

(RBS+eCFP.LVA+Ter) and plated the cell on ampicillin plate.

Date:Wednesday, 14 September 2011 18:00

Topic:Overnight culture of CFP

1) Set up overnight culture of the CFP expression plasmid cells in 2 ml selective LB medium

Date:Thursday, 15 September 2011 10:00

Topic:Digestion and ligation

1) Setup the following digestions for TyrT promoter

| Sample | F2 | F3 |
|---------------|-------------|-------------|
| TyrT | 20.0 | 20.0 |
| RBS+CFP+TER | | |
| EcoRI | 1.0 | 1.0 |
| XbaI | | |
| SpeI | 1.0 | |
| PstI | | 1.0 |
| Enzyme Buffer | 5.0 | 5.0 |
| BSA | 0.5 | 0.5 |
| Water | 22.5 | 22.5 |
| TOTAL | 50.0 | 50.0 |

2) Setup the following ligation:

| Sample | M18 |
|---------------|-------------|
| TyrT (F3) | 6.0 |
| pSB1C3 | 2.0 |
| Ligase | 1.0 |
| Ligase buffer | 2.0 |
| Water | 9.0 |
| TOTAL | 20.0 |

3) Transformed a stock of competent TOP10 E. coli cell with the ligation mixture and plated it on chloramphenicol plate.



Date:Friday, 16 September 2011 18:00

Topic:Overnight culture of tyrT BioBrick

1) Set up overnight culture of the TyrT promoter BioBrick containing cells in 2 ml selective LB medium

Date:Saturday, 17 September 2011 10:56

Topic:Mini-prep of tyrT promoter

1) Mini-prepped the cell sample to extract the pSB1C3 plasmid containing the cloned TyrT promoter. Stored the sample in the freezer at - 80 °C

2) This project was stopped here to time constraints. The supercoilometer device will be finished at a later time by the future UCL iGEM team.