

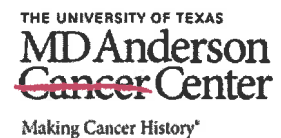
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SOP PicoGreen – Detection of dsDNA on the BioTek Synergy™ Microplate Reader

To Prepare the Reagents:

- Remove reagents from the fridge and allow to warm to room temperature.
 - The dye reagent is light-sensitive, so keep the tube in the reagent bag before and after use.
- Dilute 20X TE Buffer to 1X (50µl + 950µl H₂O) – make sure to check for aliquots in the fridge (they're good for 1 week)
 - You will need 6.5mL for the standards and an additional 1mL per sample.
 - Remember to consider the amount of 1X TE to be used to prepare the dye (see below).
- For the dye, add 5µl stock dye concentrate + 995µl 1X TE
 - You will need 1mL of dye reagent for each standard and sample (6 + x samples).

To Prepare the Standards (one set per run):

- Using the stock provided in the PicoGreen kit (100µg/ml), prepare a 2µg/mL standard by adding 30µl of the stock DNA (100µg/ml) and 1.47mL 1X TE.
- The four standards and one reference sample can be prepared (see table below):

Standard No. (ng/ml)	Amount of 2µg/mL DNA Stock (ul)	Volume of 1X low TE (ul)	Volume of Dye Reagent (ul)
STD1 (1000)	1000	0	1000
STD2 (100)	100	900	1000
STD3 (10)	10	990	1000
STD4 (1)	1	999	1000
STD5 (-)	0	1000	1000

To Prepare the Samples:

- Prepare a 1:1000 dilution of each sample by adding 1µl of stock DNA sample and 999µl of 1X TE.
- Add 1mL Dye Reagent to each dilution.
- Cover the standards and samples with a foil lid and turn off the bench overhead light – let the samples incubate for 2-5 minutes at room temperature.

To Prepare the Microplate for Analysis:

- Aliquot 200ul of each standard and sample in the microplate wells – place according to the sample layout specified on the Synergy instrument.

Operation of the BioTek Synergy™ Microplate Reader:

- Open the Gen5 software, click Instrument Control, and select Control Lamp to warm the fluorescent bulb.
 - Make sure to turn the bulb off when not in use – it will automatically shut off after 4 hours

Running the DNA Samples

- Select File -> New Task -> Experiments -> Create using an existing protocol -> dsDNA Quantitation using PicoGreen.
- Select Plate Layout, right-click and select Empty Layout.
- Add the standards, blanks, and samples according to the plate layout.
- To run the plate, select the green play button at the top. Follow the prompts as directed.

Data Analysis & Export

- Click on the Graphs tab and verify that the R² value is > 0.95.
- Click on the Statistics tab and select Concentration from the Data drop-down menu.
- Right-click, select QuickExport, and choose the location and save the file.

*Make sure to keep a key of the samples included in the plate layout as the sample IDs cannot be changed in the software.

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