

Automation of the Precision ID NGS System for routine use



Collaboration and Aim

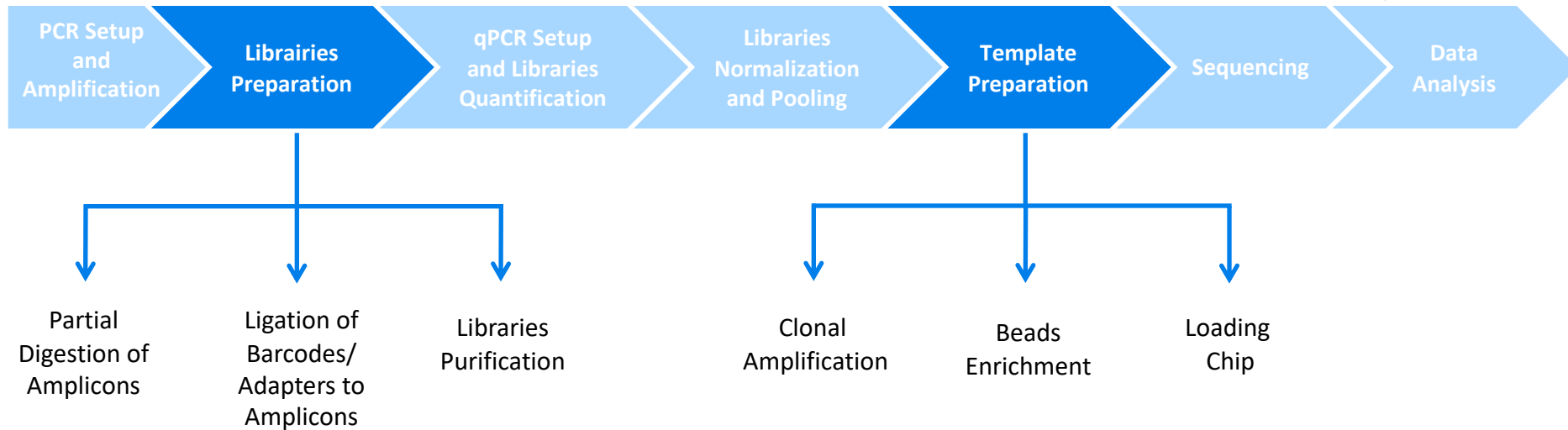
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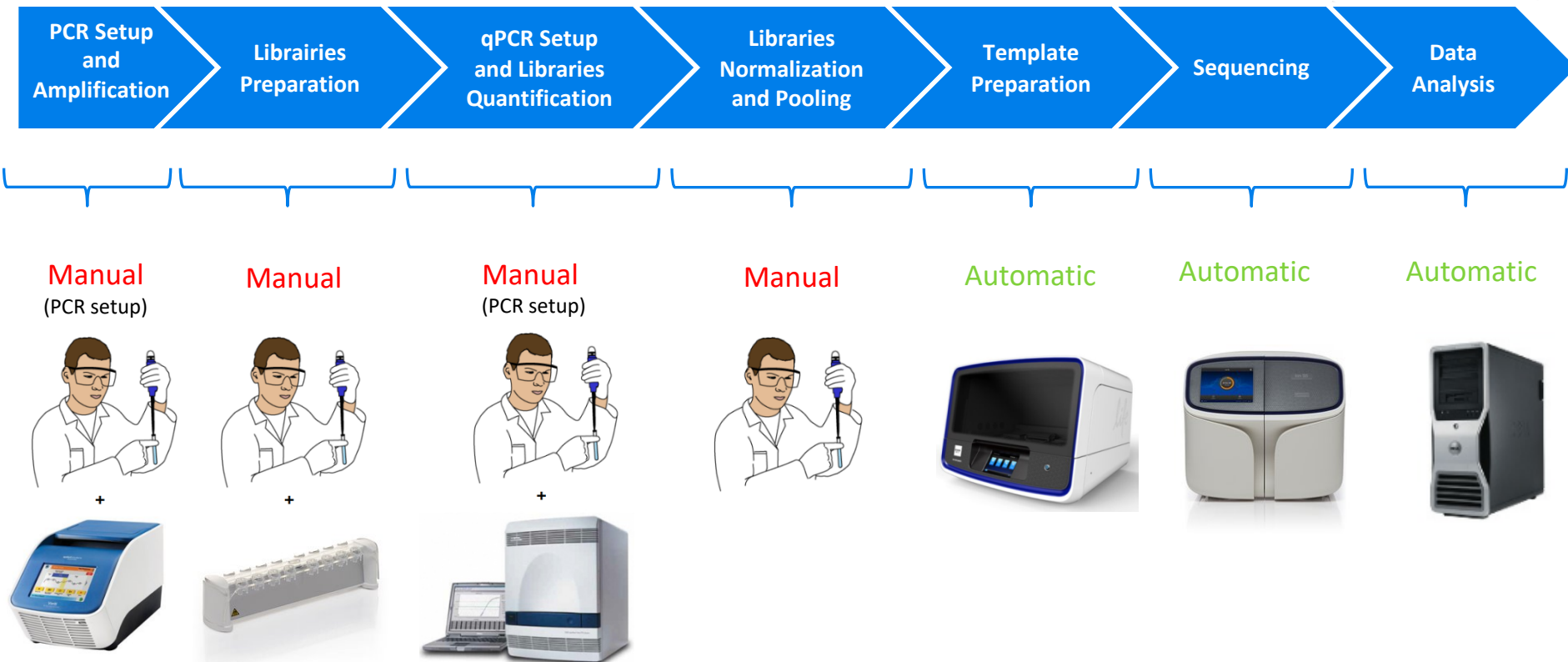
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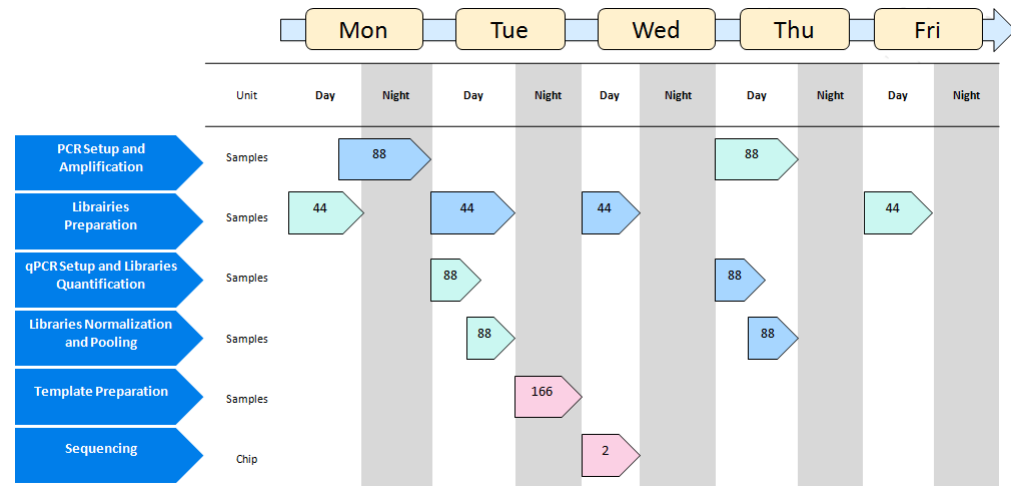
Develop a fully automated procedure for SNP, STR and Sequencing analyses with the Precision ID NGS System and the Ion Torrent Technology from Thermo Fisher Scientific, and with the MicroLab STAR Line from Hamilton

Workflow



Semi-automated procedure





Semi-automated procedure



**Many manual steps, no traceability,
time-consuming and error risk**



AUTOMATION



Precision ID panels

- **SNP Panels**

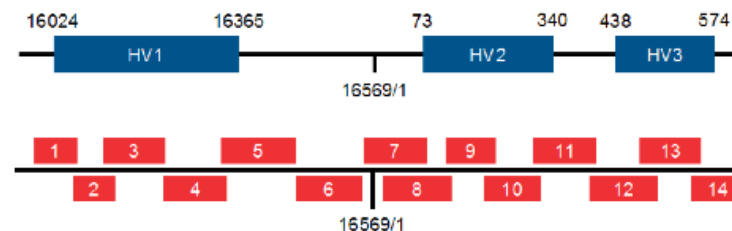
- Precision ID Identity Panel, 1 amplification per sample \Rightarrow 1 library per sample
- Precision ID Ancestry Panel, 1 amplification per sample \Rightarrow 1 library per sample

- **STR Panel**

- Precision ID GlobalFiler™ NGS STR Panel v2, 1 amplification per sample \Rightarrow 1 library per sample

- **Sequencing Panel (HV1/2/3 regions of mtDNA)**

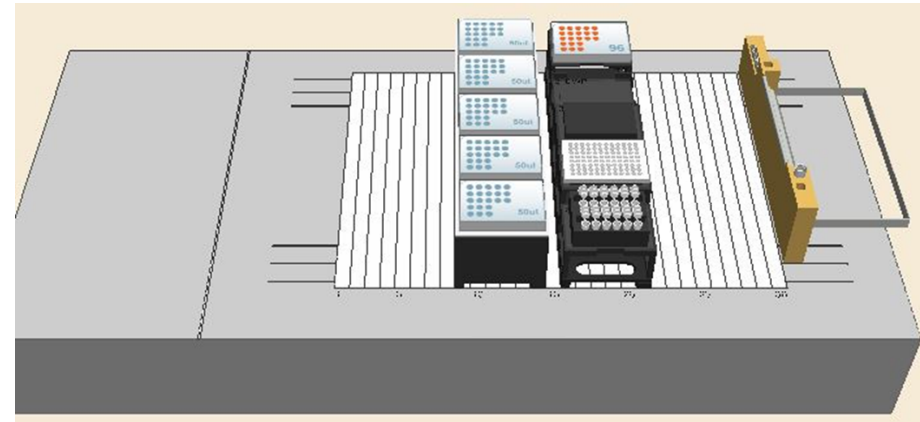
- Precision ID mtDNA Control Region Panel, 2 amplifications per sample \Rightarrow 1 or 2 libraries per sample
- 3 analyses methods:
 - Full : 2 amplifications per sample (20 μ l) \Rightarrow 2 libraries per sample
 - 2in1 : 2 amplifications per sample (20 μ l), pooling of 10 μ l of each amplification \Rightarrow 1 library per sample
 - Conservative : 2 amplifications per sample (10 μ l), pooling of these 2 amplifications \Rightarrow 1 library per sample



Automation pre-PCR



- 3 Analyses (SNP, STR, Seq) → 1 program
- Program
 - PCR mix dispensing
 - Samples dispensing
- 2 plate maps



SNP, STR

From 1 to 88 samples

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	1	9	17	25	33	41	49	57	65	73	81	/
B	2	10	18	26	34	42	50	58	66	74	82	/
C	3	11	19	27	35	43	51	59	67	75	83	/
D	4	12	20	28	36	44	52	60	68	76	84	/
E	5	13	21	29	37	45	53	61	69	77	85	/
F	6	14	22	30	38	46	54	62	70	78	86	/
G	7	15	23	31	39	47	55	63	71	79	87	/
H	8	16	24	32	40	48	56	64	72	80	88	/

mtDNA (3 methods)

From 1 to 48 samples

	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12
A	1	9	17	25	33	41	1	9	17	25	33	41
B	2	10	18	26	34	42	2	10	18	26	34	42
C	3	11	19	27	35	43	3	11	19	27	35	43
D	4	12	20	28	36	44	4	12	20	28	36	44
E	5	13	21	29	37	45	5	13	21	29	37	45
F	6	14	22	30	38	46	6	14	22	30	38	46
G	7	15	23	31	39	47	7	15	23	31	39	47
H	8	16	24	32	40	48	8	16	24	32	40	48

Amplification 1 Amplification 2

From 49 to 88 samples

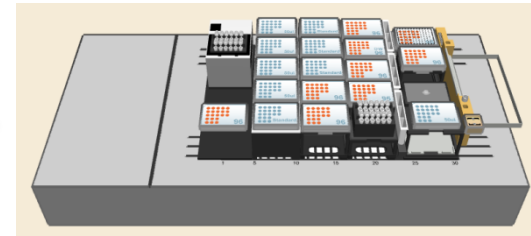
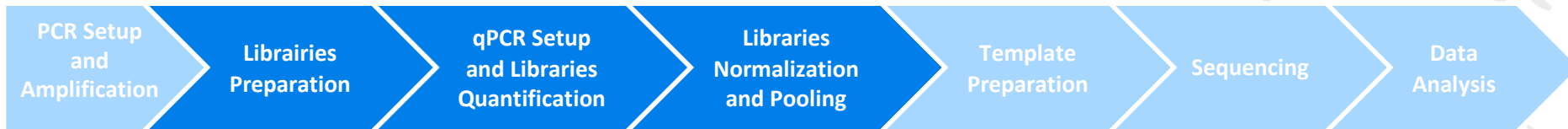
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E	5	13	21	29	37	45	53	61	69	77	85	/
F	6	14	22	30	38	46	54	62	70	78	86	/
G	7	15	23	31	39	47	55	63	71	79	87	/
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Amplification 1

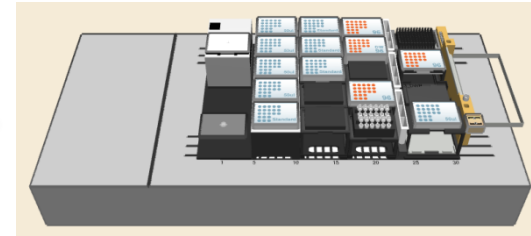
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Amplification 2

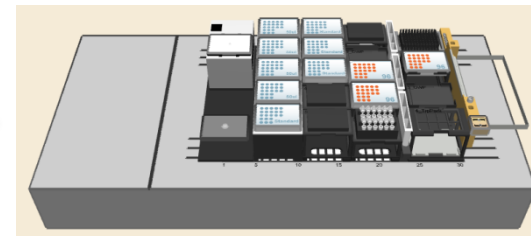
Automation post-PCR



Libraries Preparation



Libraries qPCR setup



Libraries Normalization & Pooling

Automation post-PCR



- mtDNA and SNP libraries can be prepared together but STR libraries must be prepared separately

- 4 steps :

1. Pooling of amplicons (mtDNA CR panel)
2. Partial digestion of amplicons
3. Ligation of barcodes/adapters to amplicons
4. Libraries purification

- 2 worklists generate manually or by a LIMS

1. Samples worklist (.csv file)
2. Barcode/adaptor worklist (.csv file)

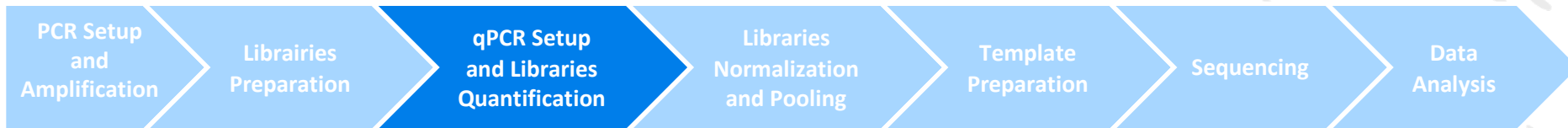
Samples worklist

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370110302125	PLT_1	D1	P16-06566
370110302126	PLT_1	E1	P16-06566
370110302127	PLT_1	F1	P16-06566
370110302128	PLT_1	G1	P16-06566
370110302129	PLT_1	H1	P16-06566
370110302130	PLT_1	A2	P16-06566
370110302131	PLT_1	B2	P16-06566
370110302132	PLT_1	C2	P16-06566
370110302133	PLT_1	D2	P16-06566
370110302134	PLT_1	E2	P16-06566

Adapter/barcode worklist

AdapterBarcode	AdapterPositionID
lonXpress_001	A1
lonXpress_002	B1
lonXpress_003	C1
lonXpress_004	D1
lonXpress_005	E1
lonXpress_006	F1
lonXpress_007	G1
lonXpress_008	H1
lonXpress_009	A2
lonXpress_010	B2
lonXpress_011	C2
lonXpress_012	D2
lonXpress_013	E2

Automation post-PCR



- 3 steps :

1. Libraries and standard dilution
2. PCR mix dispensing
3. Libraries and standard dispensing

- 1 samples worklist (.csv file)

- Samples file (.txt) for 7500 generate automatically by the program

Samples worklist

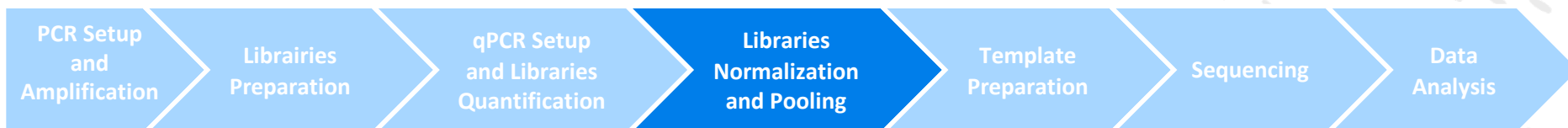
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TP00012741	PLT_1	C1	P16-06566	IonXpress_004	D1
370110302125	PLT_1	D1	P16-06566	IonXpress_005	E1
370110302126	PLT_1	E1	P16-06566	IonXpress_006	F1
370110302127	PLT_1	F1	P16-06566	IonXpress_007	G1
370110302128	PLT_1	G1	P16-06566	IonXpress_008	H1
370110302129	PLT_1	H1	P16-06566	IonXpress_009	A2
370110302130	PLT_1	A2	P16-06566	IonXpress_010	B2
370110302131	PLT_1	B2	P16-06566	IonXpress_011	C2
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Samples file for 7500

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 * Chemistry = TAQMAN
 * Experiment File Name = E:\QlibFr171116.eds
 * Experiment Run End Time = 2017-11-16 16:51:19 PM CET
 * Instrument Type = sds7500
 * Passive Reference = ROX

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A1	STD-1	RGB(132,193,241)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	STANDARD	FAM	NFQ-MGB	6.8	
A2	370110302124	RGB(132,193,241)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB		
A3	370110302130	RGB(96,255,160)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB		
A4	370110302138	RGB(213,244,165)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB		
A5	370110302146	RGB(253,138,88)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB		
A6	370110302154	RGB(255,204,153)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB		
A7	370110302162	RGB(180,255,0)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB		
A8	370110302170	RGB(247,255,168)			Q_Library	RGB(139,189,249)	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB		
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Automation post-PCR



Data file from 7500

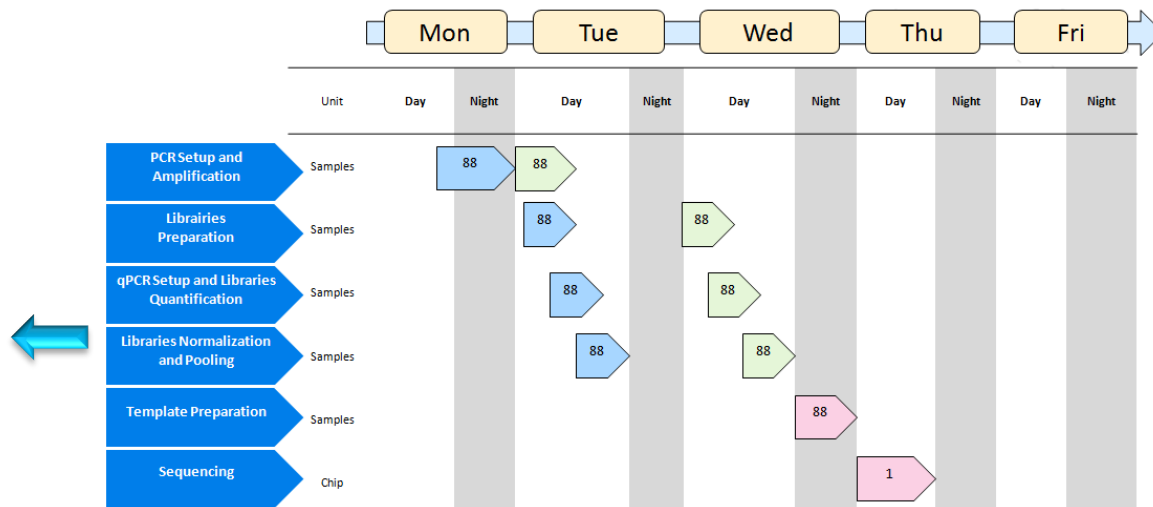
3 steps :

1. Data file import from 7500 and automatic dilution factor determination for each library
2. Libraries dilution
3. Libraries pooling

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[Results]																			
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A4	370110302138	Q_Library	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB	12.9825	12.9825		5.8878	5.8878		false	0.2	true	3	8		N	N
A5	370110302146	Q_Library	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB	13.8894	13.8894		3.2799	3.2799		false	0.2	true	3	9		N	N
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A7	370110302162	Q_Library	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB	13.6714	13.6714		3.7751	3.7751		false	0.2	true	3	9		N	N
A8	370110302170	Q_Library	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB	14.08	14.08		2.9003	2.9003		false	0.2	true	3	9		N	N
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A10	370110302186	Q_Library	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB	15.1232	15.1232		1.4797	1.4797		false	0.2	true	3	10		N	N
A11	370110305001	Q_Library	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB	18.35	18.35		0.1846	0.1846		false	0.2	true	3	13		N	N
A12	TAMPpos	Q_Library	UNKNOWN	FAM	NFQ-MGB	13.0954	13.0954		5.4742	5.4742		false	0.2	true	3	8		N	N

- Pool of libraries ready for the run template (pooling of different pools is possible but make sure that there are no two different samples with the same barcode)



Automated procedure test

- 429 hair analysed in mtDNA (Precision ID mtDNA Control Region panel)
 - 200 hair analysed with the semi-automated procedure
 - 229 hair analysed with the automated procedure
- Lysis and DNA extraction with the Crime PrepAdem kit from Ademetch
- mtDNA quantification by an inhouse method
- mtDNA normalization to 50 mtDNA copies/ μ l
- All positive samples in mtDNA ($Q_{mtDNA} \geq 2.5$ copies/ μ l) have been analysed in MPS with the conservative method (7.5 to 150 mtDNA copies/amplification and 26 PCR cycles)
- Templates preparation \Rightarrow Ion Chef, and Sequencing \Rightarrow Ion S5
- Sequencing data analysis \Rightarrow mtDNA plugin



Results

	First Analysis	Second Analysis	Total
Procedure	Semi-automatic	Automatic	/
Number of samples	200	229	429
Chip size used for sequencing	520	530	/
Number of samples per chip	48	80	/
Mean number of reads	85 326	113 904	/
minimum reads	44 783	36 476	/
maximum reads	130 323	184 016	/
Sequencing quality ($\geq Q20$)	91%	90%	91%
Mean rate of loading chip	70%	73%	72%
Mean rate of polyclonal	33%	35%	34%
Mean rate of aligned bases	96%	95%	96%
Mean raw accuracy	98,5%	98,5%	98,5%
Number of positive samples in mtDNA quantification	189/200 (95%)	210/229 (92%)	399/429 (93%)
Number of positive samples in sequencing	189/200 (95%)	208/229 (91%)	397/429 (93%)

Conclusion

- Semi-automated procedure and automated procedure : same performance
- Automation onto Hamilton STARlet significantly reduces the preparation time of libraries with a full traceability and without error risk
- Only one automated procedure for SNP, STR and Sequencing analyses
- Programs flexibility (from 1 to 88 libraries prepared at the same time)
- Very high success rate with the semi-automated procedure and the automated procedure by using the Precision ID mtDNA Control Region panel and the Ion Torrent technology, higher than with the conventional procedure
- Validation of the automated procedure in progress for SNP, STR and Sequencing analyses

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