

The use of next-generation sequencing technologies has transformed our ability to identify and understand the evolution of infectious disease agents. Through the use of targeted sequencing of specific genes, researchers are now able to efficiently identify the microbes within a mixed population, perform research on retrospective outbreak samples, study potential virulence factors and transmission patterns, and discover mutations that may be associated with drug resistance in the future.

## Fastest targeted sequencing workflow

Targeted sequencing becomes simpler than ever when performed with lon AmpliSeq<sup>™</sup> technology for target selection and library construction. Based on ultrahigh-multiplex PCR, lon AmpliSeq technology requires as little as 1 ng of input nucleic acid to target sets of genes, making sequencing of limited-quantity or degraded samples routine on lon Torrent<sup>™</sup> sequencing systems (Figure 1).



Figure 1. Ion AmpliSeq workflow. Ion AmpliSeq libraries are prepared manually or with the Ion Chef System. Libraries are then placed in the Ion Chef System for emulsion PCR, enrichment, and loading onto Ion S5™ Chips.

- Fastest targeted sequencing workflow sample to data in less than 24 hours
- Content for all—targeted sequencing of viruses, bacteria, or fungi from biological materials without culturing
- Scalability—panels of varying sizes with different chip capacities to scale to your research needs

"We needed a workflow that is robust and is relatively straightforward, so the lon AmpliSeq Ebola Research Panel was perfect for what we wanted to do."

**Professor Ian Goodfellow** University of Cambridge



## Content for all

Ion AmpliSeg technology provides a simple enrichment method for targeted sequencing of archived biological materials that have not been cultured. It is highly effective in identifying variants without the time and cost associated with more comprehensive approaches such as whole genome sequencing or multilocus sequence typing (MLST), which require pure samples. Choose from predesigned community panels (Table 1), or customize your own panel to your own private reference genome using the Ion AmpliSeg<sup>™</sup> Designer. Made-to-order panels are typically delivered in 2-4 weeks.

## Scalability for your dynamic research needs

The combined power of lon AmpliSeq technology and lon Torrent sequencing provides a scalable targeted sequencing system to fit your research needs. Multiple lon chips offer different sequencing capacities, so that experiments can be run cost-effectively without the need to batch samples. Additionally, with the lon S5™ Systems, you can sequence gene panels as well as viral and bacterial genomes on a single benchtop instrument rapidly and efficiently (Table 2).

Table 1. Ion AmpliSeq panels for infectious disease research.

Organism	Mycobacterium tuberculosis (TB)	Ebola virus (EBOV)	
No. of amplicons	109	145	
No. of pools	2	2	
Genes targeted	embB, eis, gyrA, inhA, katG, pncA, rpoB, rpsL	99.49% of the EBOV genome	
Input required	10-100 ng DNA	10 ng RNA	
Recommended no. of samples for multiplexing	36 per Ion 520 Chip (1,000x coverage)	13 per Ion 520 Chip (2,000x coverage)	

Table 2. Ion S5 Chip throughput.

		Ion 520™ Chip	Ion 530™ Chip	Ion 540™ Chip
0	200 bp	0.6-1 Gb	3-4 Gb	10-15 Gb
Output	400 bp	1.2–2 Gb	6–8 Gb	_
Reads		3–5 million	15–20 million	60–80 million

## **Ordering information**

Name	Description	Size	Cat. No.
Panels			
Ion AmpliSeq TB Research Panel	Targeting genes associated with antimicrobial resistance in <i>M. tuberculosis</i> (TB). The panels amplify 109 amplicons (two pools) from 8 genes related to antimicrobial resistance (embB, eis, gyrA, inhA, katG, pncA, rpoB, rpsL). The panel enables assessment of sputum culture extractions.	Custom order	Order at ampliseq.com
Ion AmpliSeq Ebola Research Panel	Targets genes of the Ebola virus. The panel enables assessment of 145 amplicons across the Ebola virus genome.	Custom order	Order at ampliseq.com
Manual Ion AmpliSeq library prepa	ration		
Ion AmpliSeq Library Kit 2.0	Manual Ion AmpliSeq library preparation	8 reactions	4475345
		96 reactions	4480441
		384 reactions	4480442
lon Xpress™ Barcode Adapters 1-96 Kit	96 unique barcode adapters	1 kit	4474517
Ion Library Equalizer™ Kit	Bead-based solution replacing the need for library quantification and library dilutions for library normalization	96 reactions	4482298
Automated library preparation			
Ion AmpliSeq Kit for Ion Chef DL8	Automated Ion AmpliSeq library preparation supplied with IonCode™ barcodes	4 x 8 reactions	A29024



