

Application-Specific Barcoding Strategies for SMRT Sequencing



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Introduction

The number of useable bases per SMRT Cell can exceed 1 Gb with the latest P6-C4 chemistry and 6-hour movies. For applications such as microbial sequencing, targeted sequencing, Iso-Seq full-length isoform sequencing and Roche NimbleGen's target enrichment method, current PacBio RS II SMRT Cell yields could be in excess relative to project requirements.

To this end, barcoding is a viable option for multiplexing samples. For microbial sequencing, multiplexing can be accomplished by tagging sheared genomic DNA during library construction with SMRTbell barcoded adapters. Results from 2-, 4-, 6- and 8-plex will be presented.

For HLA typing, full-length HLA genes as large as 5 kb may be barcoded during amplification or during SMRTbell library construction. The preferred barcoding strategy depends on the user's existing workflow and flexibility for changing and/or updating existing workflows. Five Class I/II genes (3.3 – 5.8 kb) x 96 patients can be multiplexed and typed in up to 4 SMRT Cells.

For Iso-Seq analysis, barcodes are incorporated during first-strand synthesis using oligo-dT tailed with 16-bp barcodes. Six maize RNA samples were barcoded, pooled and constructed into a single SMRTbell library.

Finally for target enrichment using NimbleGen's SeqCap EZ Target Enrichment method, linear barcodes are incorporated before the capture step. Results from a 12-plex target enrichment experiment will be presented.

Multiplexing for Microbial Assembly

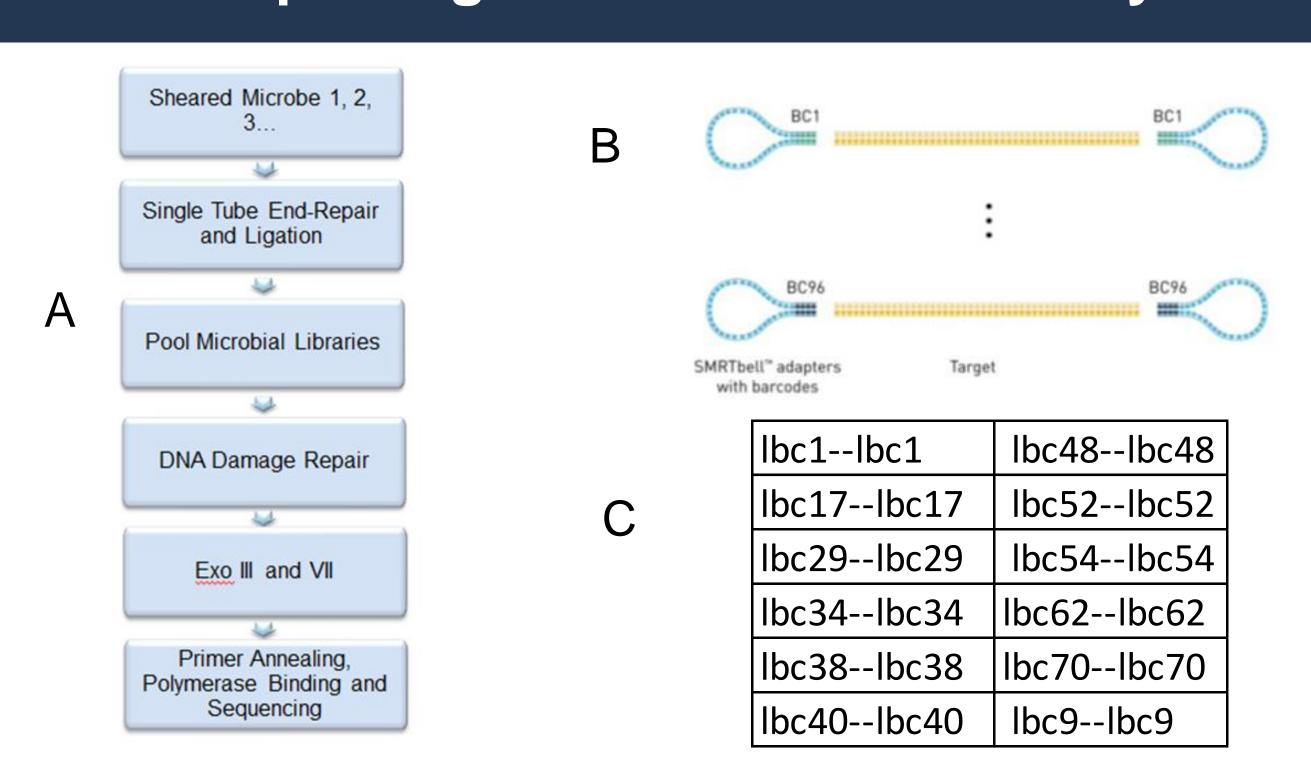


Figure 1:

- A. Workflow for multiplexing microbial genomes
- B. Barcodes are added to the SMRTbell adapters.
- C. Recommended barcoded adapters available from PacBio.

MICROBIAL WHOLE GENOME ASSEMBLY OF MULTIPLEXED H.

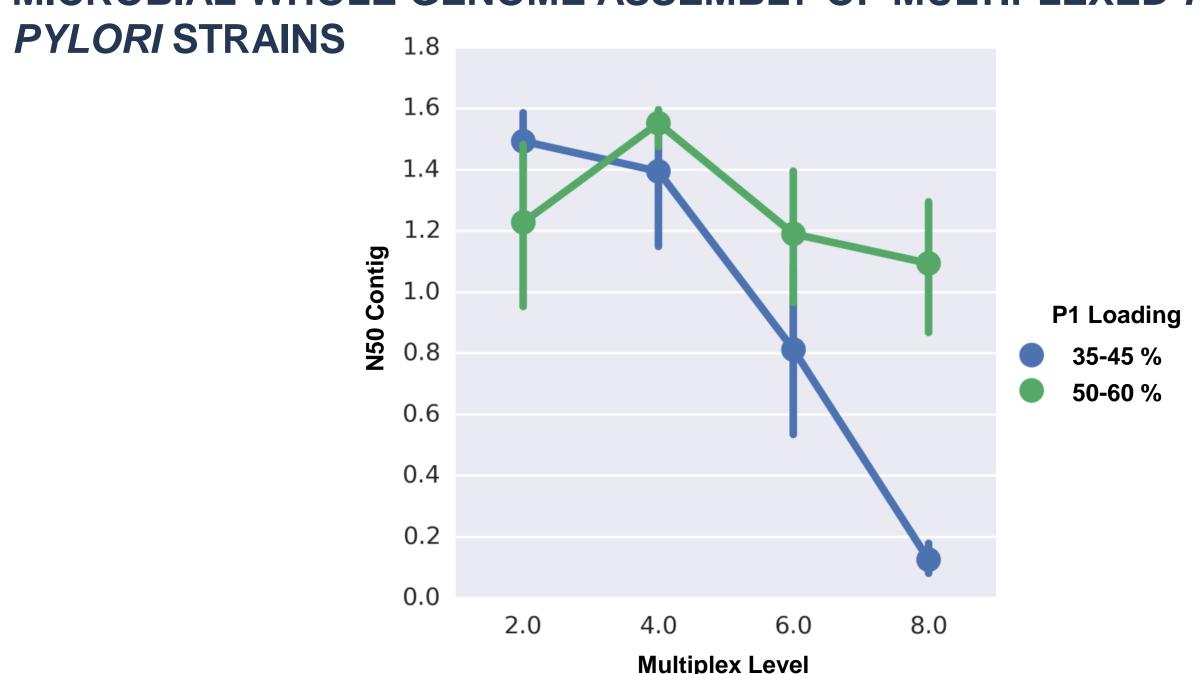


Figure 2: N50 contig vs Multiplex level of sequenced *H. pylori* strains using 10 kb library preparations, P6-C4 chemistry, and sequenced on the PacBio RS II. Increasing P1 loading helped achieve higher multiplex level to 6, possibly 8.

Targeted Sequencing Multiplexing

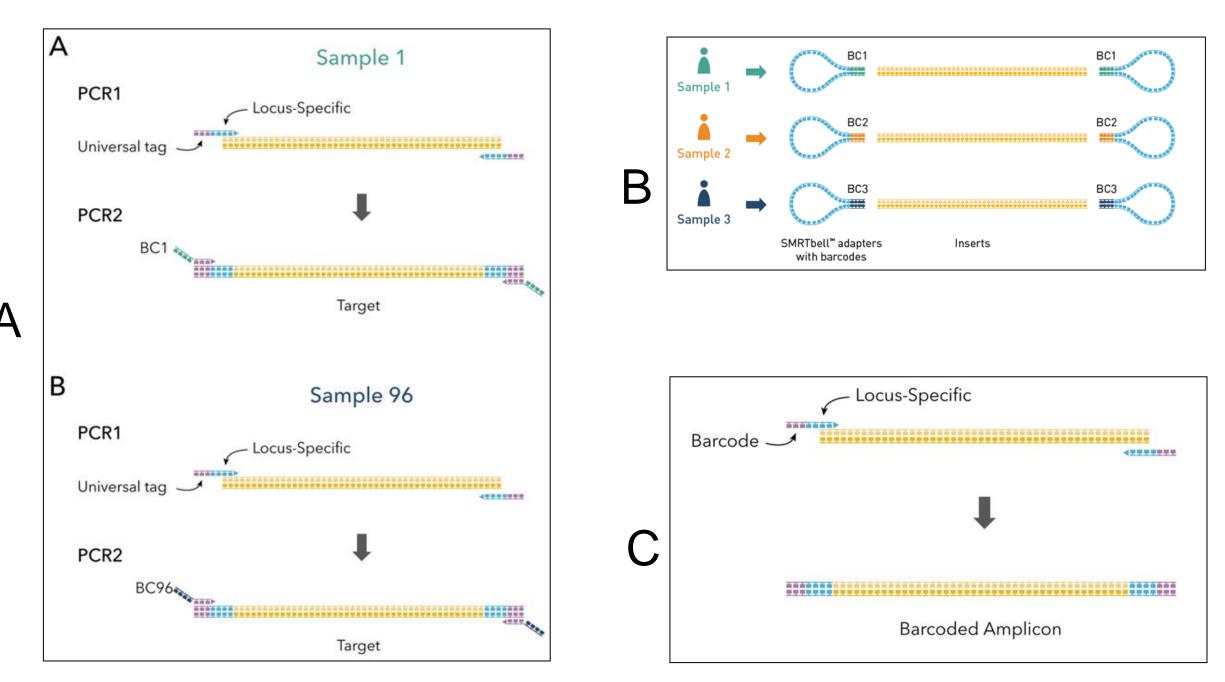


Figure 3: Barcoding options for targeted sequencing. www.pacb.com/wp-content/uploads/2015/09/ProductNote-Barcoded-Adapters-Barcoded-Universal-Primers.pdf

- A. Barcoded Universal Primers: Barcode can be incorporated into the amplicon via a two-step tailed primer approach. Barcodes are commercially available from PacBio.
- B. Barcoded Adapters: Barcodes are incorporated during ligation with barcoded adapters. Barcodes are commercially available from PacBio.
- C. Locus-specific primers tailed with barcodes. Primers may be ordered from any oligo synthesis providers. The first 96 barcodes out of 384 available sequences are available: www.pacb.com/wp-content/uploads/PacBio-PCR-Primer-Barcodes-0001-to-0096-IDT-Template.xlsx.

MULTIPLEXING FOR HLA SEQUENCING

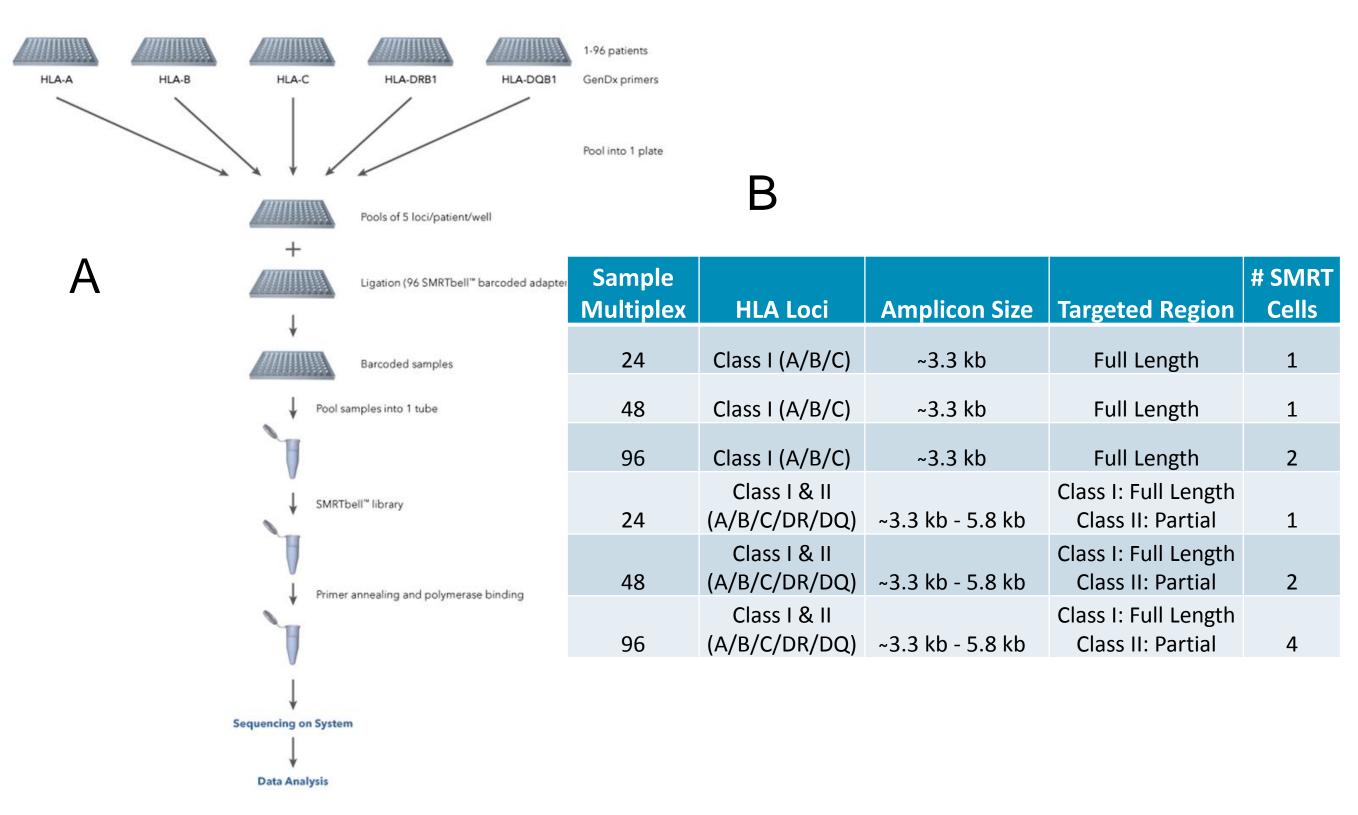


Figure 4:

- A. GenDx HLA-A, HLA-B, HLA-C, HLA-DRB1 and HLA-DQB1 are amplified and pooled for barcoding. All 96 wells are subsequently pooled into a single tube for SMRTbell library construction.
- B. Recommendations for multiplexing NGS-go® amplicons. www.pacb.com/applications/targeted-sequencing/hla/

Iso-Seq Application Multiplexing

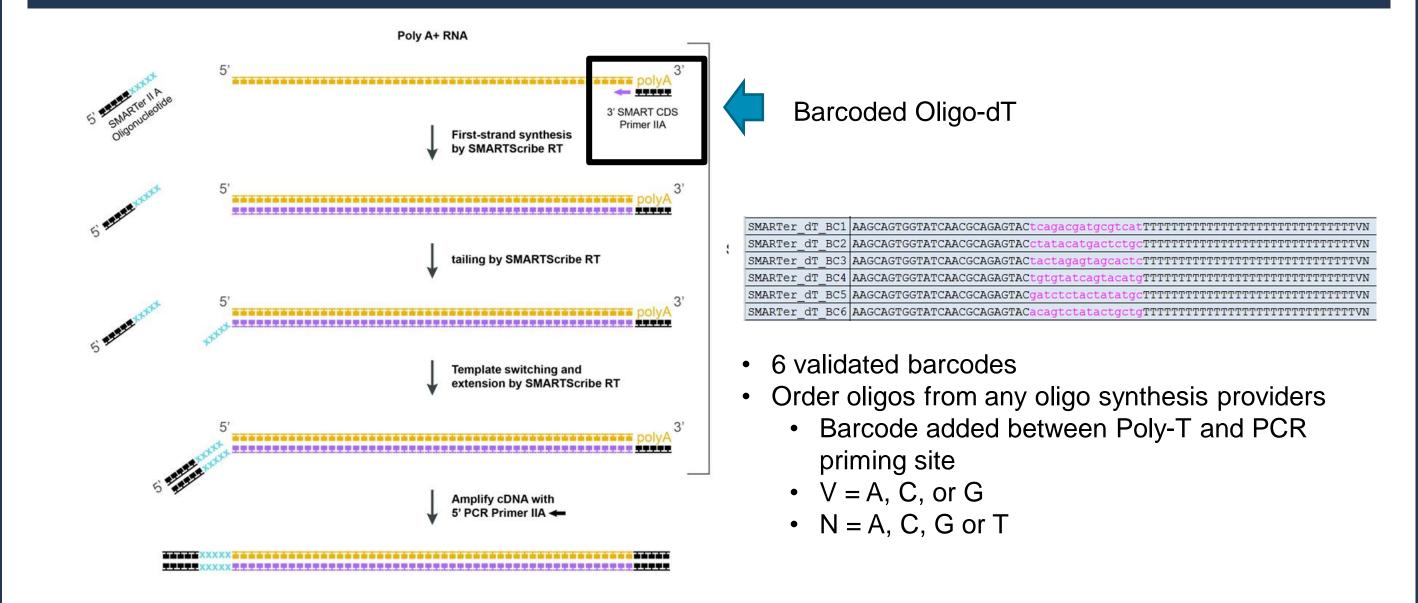
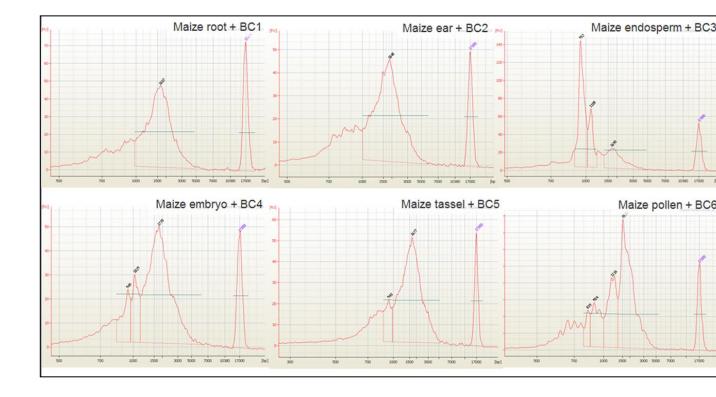


Figure 5: Barcodes are incorporated into the cDNA during first-strand synthesis. Double-stranded cDNAs are pooled during SMRTbell library construction.

Isoform Sequencing Multiplexing – cont.

GENOME ANNOTATION OF MULTIPLEXED MAIZE TISSUES

Figure 6: Bioanalyzer traces of barcoded cDNA from 6 Maize tissues prior to pooling.



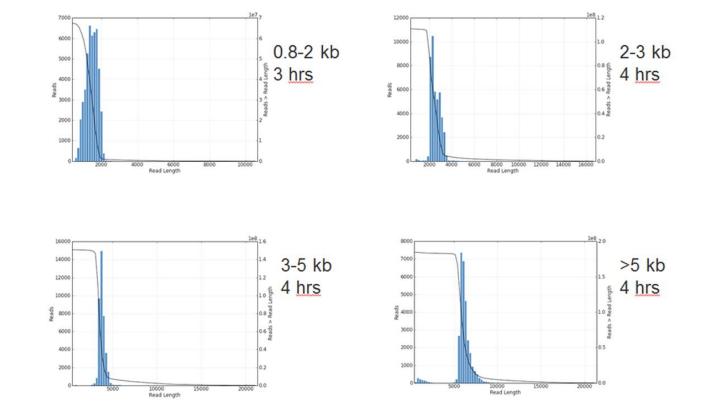


Figure 7:

A. Full-length read distribution from pooled maize library.

B. Full-length yield summary per fraction per sample.

Target Enrichment Multiplexing

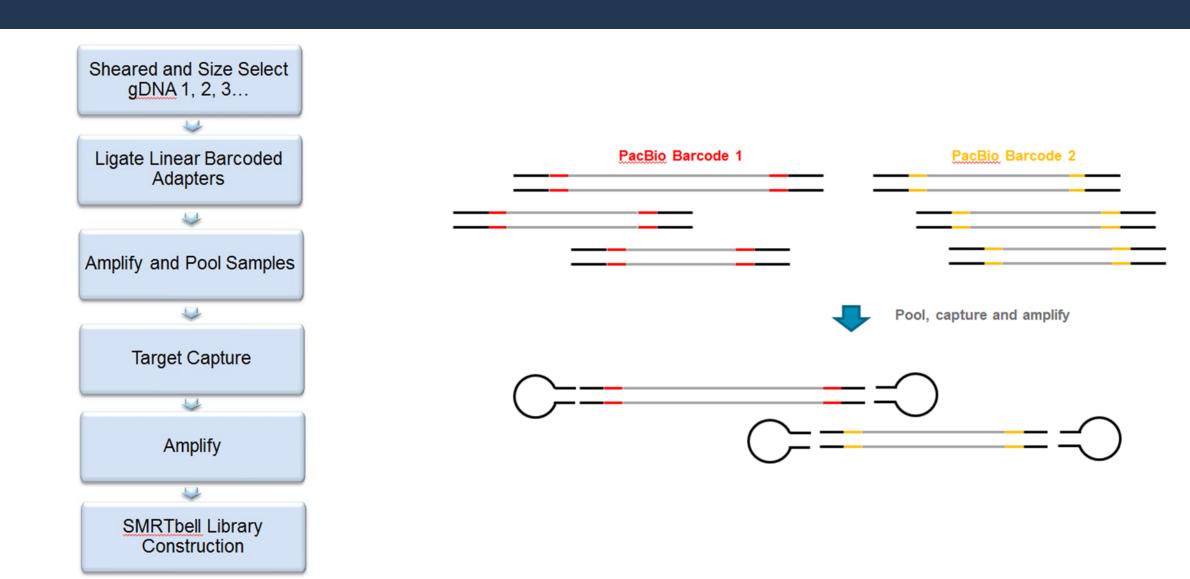


Figure 8: Target enrichment multiplex workflow. Sheared DNA samples are tagged with linear barcoded adapters. Workflow in development. For information: www.pacb.com/products-and-services/consumables/target-enrichment/

MULTIPLEXING WITH NIMBLEGEN NEUROLOGY PANEL

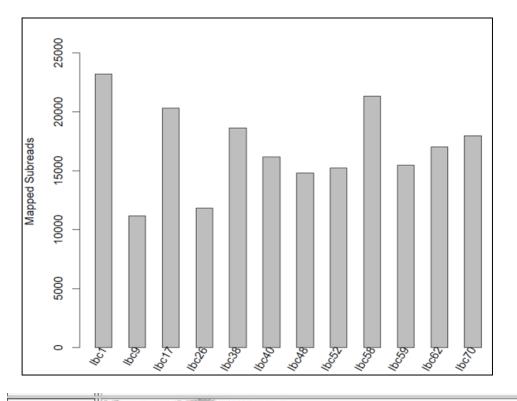


Figure 9: Multiplex of 12 samples. Number of mapped subreads of 5 kb target enrichment using Nimblegen's neurology panel.

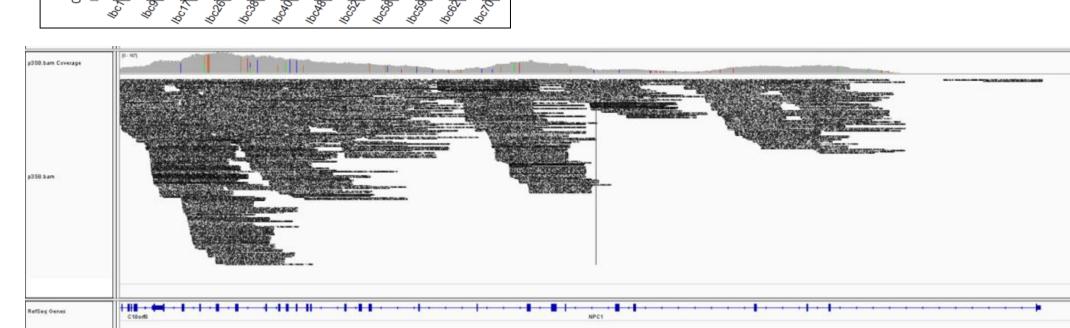


Figure 10: A 60 kb fragment showing intron-exon regions of the NPC1 gene.

Conclusions

- Variety of barcoding methods available for multiplexing samples for microbial whole genome sequencing, HLA typing, isoform sequencing, and targeted sequencing applications with PacBio Systems.
- Barcoding increases efficiency and sample throughput thus reducing the cost of library preparation and sequencing.

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