

## INVERSE PCR (Tom)

1. Digest approx. 30-50 µg of genomic DNA and fractionate on an 0.8% agarose gel.
2. Excise appropriately sized fraction and purify with Geneclean (Bio101) according to manufacturer's instructions. Elute twice with 20 µl dH<sub>2</sub>O. Final concentration should be approximately 10 ngµl<sup>-1</sup>.
3. Set up self-ligation with 10 ng of cleaned DNA:

DNA	1 µl
5 x ligase buffer	10 µl
BRL low. conc. ligase	1 µl
dH <sub>2</sub> O	38 µl

4. Incubate overnight at 4°C.
5. Add 50 µl 1 x TE buffer to ligation, heat kill at 65°C for 10 minutes, and purify with a Qiagen spin column to remove remaining salts. Elute in 50 µl dH<sub>2</sub>O.
6. Set up first round PCR, adding primers last:

purified ligation	10 µl
10 x buffer	5 µl
DMSO	2 µl
dNTPs (10 mM)	1 µl
Taq	2.5 units
each primer (25 µM)	1 µl
MgCl <sub>2</sub> (25 mM)	3 µl
dH <sub>2</sub> O	27 µl

7. Run PCR:

Step 1	94°C	2 minutes
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Step 2	94°C	45 seconds
Step 3	55°C	1 minute
Step 4	72°C	2 minutes
Step 5	repeat step 2-5, 25 times	
Step 6	72°C	10 minutes

8. Add 1  $\mu$ l of PCR product to 200  $\mu$ l dH<sub>2</sub>O, and set up a second round PCR with nested primers (repeat steps 6 and 7).
9. Run out 10  $\mu$ l of PCR products to identify and confirm sizes of bands.
10. Gel purify and clone fragments.

**10 x buffer**

500 mM Tris pH9.1  
 140 mM (NH<sub>4</sub>)<sub>2</sub>SO<sub>4</sub>