

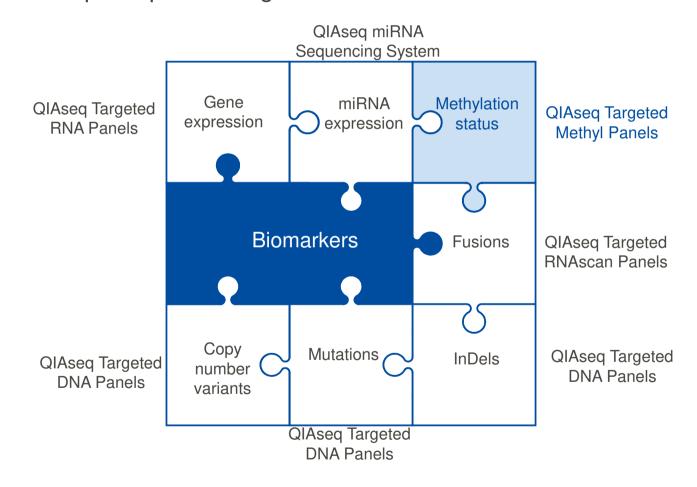


# QIAseq Targeted Methyl Panels

A liquid biopsy-compatible solution for detection of methyl markers in NGS

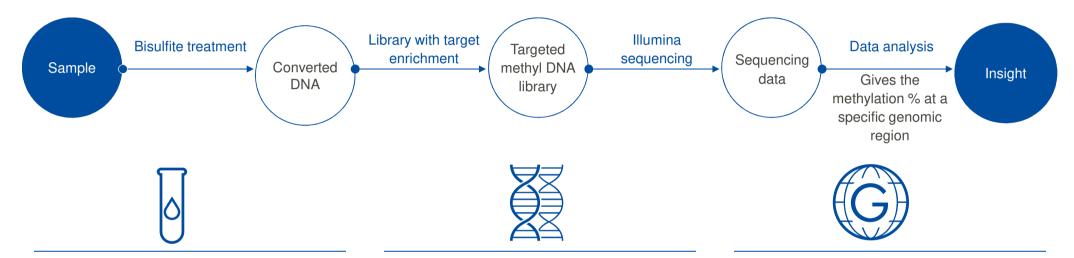


## Current QIAseq Sample to Insight solutions





## QIAseq Targeted Methyl Panels – an overview



Sample types: FFPE, gDNA and liquid biopsy (circulating cell-free DNA or ccfDNA)

#### Starting material

- 1–100 ng gDNA
- 10-200 ng FFPE DNA
- 10-200 ng ccfDNA

Total workflow time: 7.5–9 h

Total hands-on time. 2.5-4.5 h

#### Panels for targeted methylation sequencing

- Human Breast Cancer Panel
- Human Colorectal Cancer Panel
- · Immuno-Oncology Panel
- Human T-cell Infiltration Panel (coming in 2020)

#### Compatible with Illumina sequencers

Panel customization: Fully design-novel panel content based on genomic coordinates or CG identifiers

### Data analysis options

- · GeneGlobe Data Analysis Center
- QIAGEN CLC Genomics Workbench



### QIAseq Targeted Methyl Panels powered by unique technologies

#### UMIs reduce bias



Unique molecular indices (UMIs) are unique index sequences that are ligated on to each bisulfite-treated DNA strand

- UMIs help to overcome bias during PCR and bridge amplification
- Data is now representative of the unique number of molecules in a sample

### SPE enhances CpG targeting



Single primer extension (SPE) enables increased targeting and multiplexing capacity

- Targeting only a single region in intronic regions reduces the need for paired primers
- A universal primer is used to create sequencing ready libraries

### Liquid biopsy and FFPE compatible

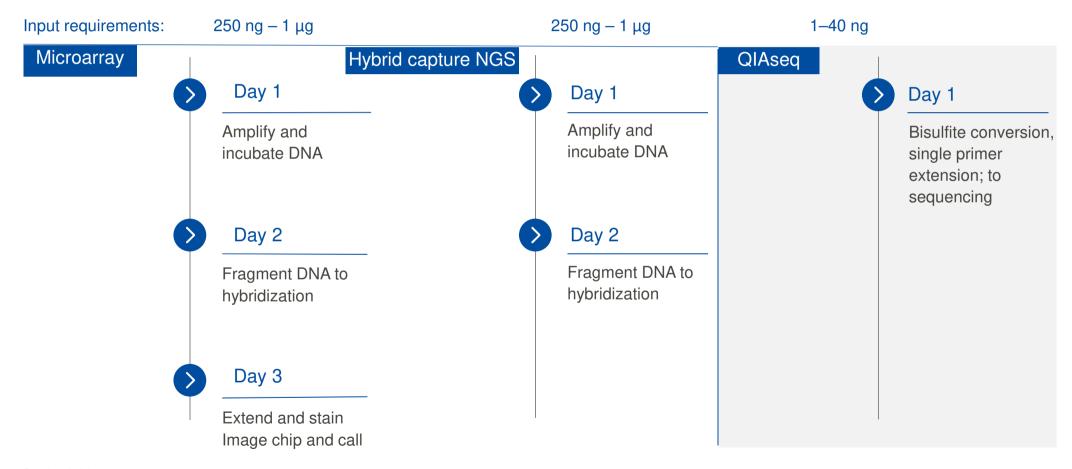


Methylation can be indicative of genomic alterations and identify certain cell and tissue types. The kit is compatible with ccfDNA and ultralow input levels, even from FFPE to help determine these patterns.

- 10–40 ng of DNA needed for liquid biopsy applications
- Minimum of 1 ng of purified gDNA for cells and tissue for the rarest samples



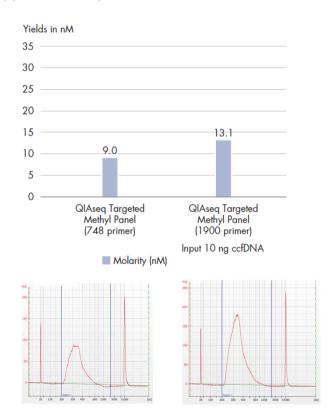
## QIASeq Targeted Methyl Panels save you days to months of work





### Targeted methylation sequencing from cell-free DNA

### Typical library characteristics



QIAseq Targeted Methyl Panel library preparation in combination combination with EpiTect Fast bisulfite conversion allow sensitive applications such as bisulfite sequencing of ccfDNA

High yield by avoiding extended degradation of DNA during bisulfite treatment

#### Procedure:

ccfDNA was purified using QIAamp chemistry and subsequently bisulfite treated using EpiTect Fast chemistry

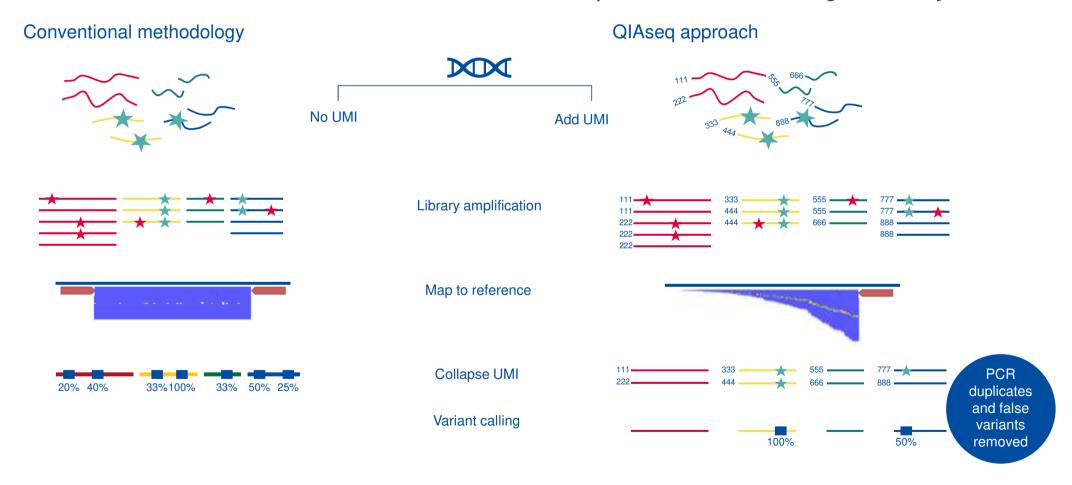
10 ng ccfDNA was processed using 2 different panels

Library amplification with 19 cycles resulted in high library yields and high cytosine coverage

The expected 350 bp library size represents the combination of ccfDNA with typical size of 170 bp and 180 bp adapters



## UMI-enabled resolution of true vs false variants improves variant calling accuracy





## Single primer extension (SPE) enhances uniformity and sensitivity for degraded samples

### 2-primer amplicon design

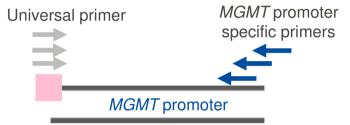


Two primers are required to define a targeted region

#### Outcomes:

- · Increased risk of primer dimers and dropouts
- · Lower uniformity
- · Multiple pools of primers might be required
- · Low library complexity
- Increasing panel content might require primer redesign

### SPE amplicon design



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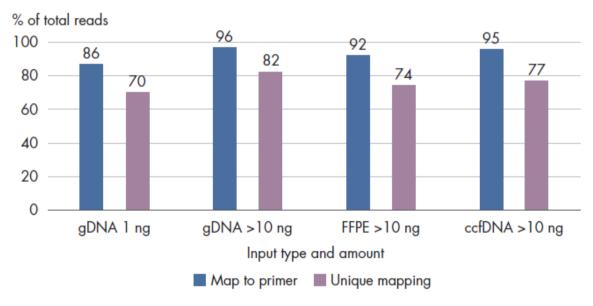
- · Lower risk of primer dimers and dropouts
- · Higher uniformity
- Only a single pool of primers required
- Higher library complexity
- Increasing panel content does not require primer redesign

Universal primer ( ) binds to universal sequences introduced through UMI-containing library adapters ( ).



## High performance from tissue and liquid biopsy: 1-10 ng of input range

### QIAseq Targeted Methyl Panel: High mapping efficiency even at 1 ng of input



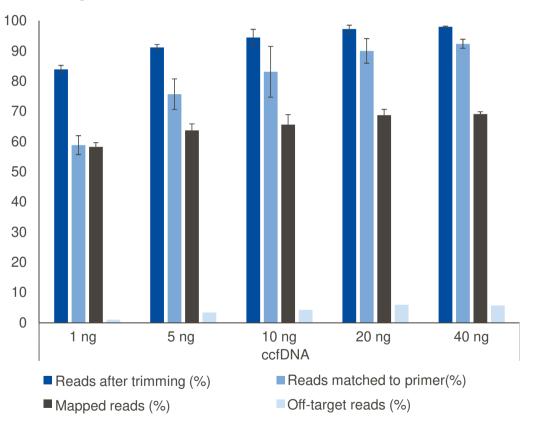
High mapping on primer and unique reads even from 10 ng inputs

- gDNA was run at both 1 and 10 ng
- FFPE was run at 10 ng
- ccfDNA was run at 10 ng



## High mapping of sequencing reads even from ultra low input ccfDNA

### Percentage of total reads



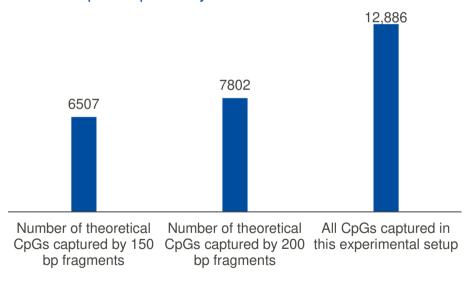
- Input: 1,5,10,20 and 40 ng of on stabilized ccfDNA purified with QIAamp chemistry
- Samples were processed using EpiTect Fast and a custom panel consisting of 1791 primers
- Off-target effects are minimal with SPE-based chemistry



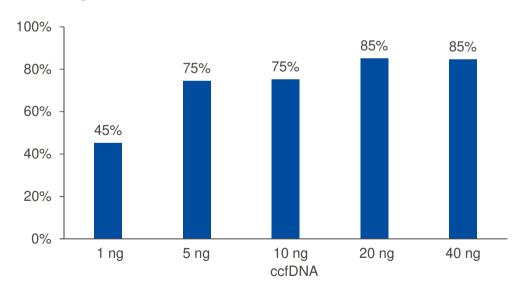
## Coverage of expected CpGs is highest between 20-40 ng of ccfDNA input

- Overall high CpG coverage from 5–40 ng
- Expected CpG coverage from coordinate designs often underreports the total number of CpGs seen in sequencing data
- 1791 primers cover 12,886 CpG regions
- High coverage was obtained even from 5 ng based on 150 bp read length

#### Number of CpGs captured by the MCHS-0017 Panel



#### Percentage of total reads

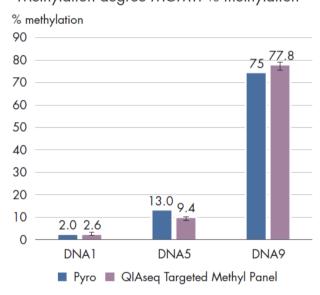




## Much lower input amounts with high correlation to established methods

### High correlation to Pyromark assays

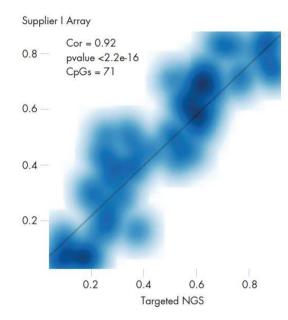
### Methylation degree MGMT: % methylation



Input: 40 ng FFPE DNA

Primers: 93 primers covering 566 CpG sites; 7 CPG sites on the *MGMT* gene, previously validated with pyrosequencing, were compared to the targeted methyl result

### High correlation (92%) to EPIC array despite 1/5th the input



Input: 40 ng gDNA from hepatocytes

Primers: 102 primers covering 71 CpGs



## QIASeq Targeted Methyl Panels – summary

Liquid biopsy-capable panels with a single day-to-sequencer workflow from a few nanograms of input



Can't get 40 ng of input



Pressed for time



Never analyzed methylation data



Need to customize the panel content



You can go from as low as 1–10 ng of input to your bisulfite reaction

With less than 7 h for library prep and another 1.5 h for bisulfite conversion, you can get to sequencer in a day

Cloud-based and local solutions on Geneglobe.com and through the QIAGEN CLC Workbench Custom design 1000s of targets from a single pool

Compatible with fresh tissue, FFPE and ccfDNA



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