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PCR Product >800 bp	10 – 25 ng
Plasmid, Single-stranded	50 – 100 ng
Plasmid, Double-stranded	200 – 500 ng
Primer Quantity	3.2 pmol

3. Add Milli-Q, BDTv3.1 and 5 x Dilution Buffer according to the reaction volume and concentration outline in Table 2. AGRF recommends the “halfvolume 0.25x” protocol.

Table 2: Recommended amounts of template for sequencing reaction

Components	Half 0.125x	Half 0.25x	Full 0.5x	Full 1x
Template				
Primer (0.8pmol/ul) MilliQ	7.75µL	7.5µL	14µL	12µL
Water				
BDT v3.1	0.5µL	1µL	4µL	8µL
5x BDT Buffer	1.75µL	1.5µL	2µL	-
Total	10µL	10µL	20µL	20µL

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