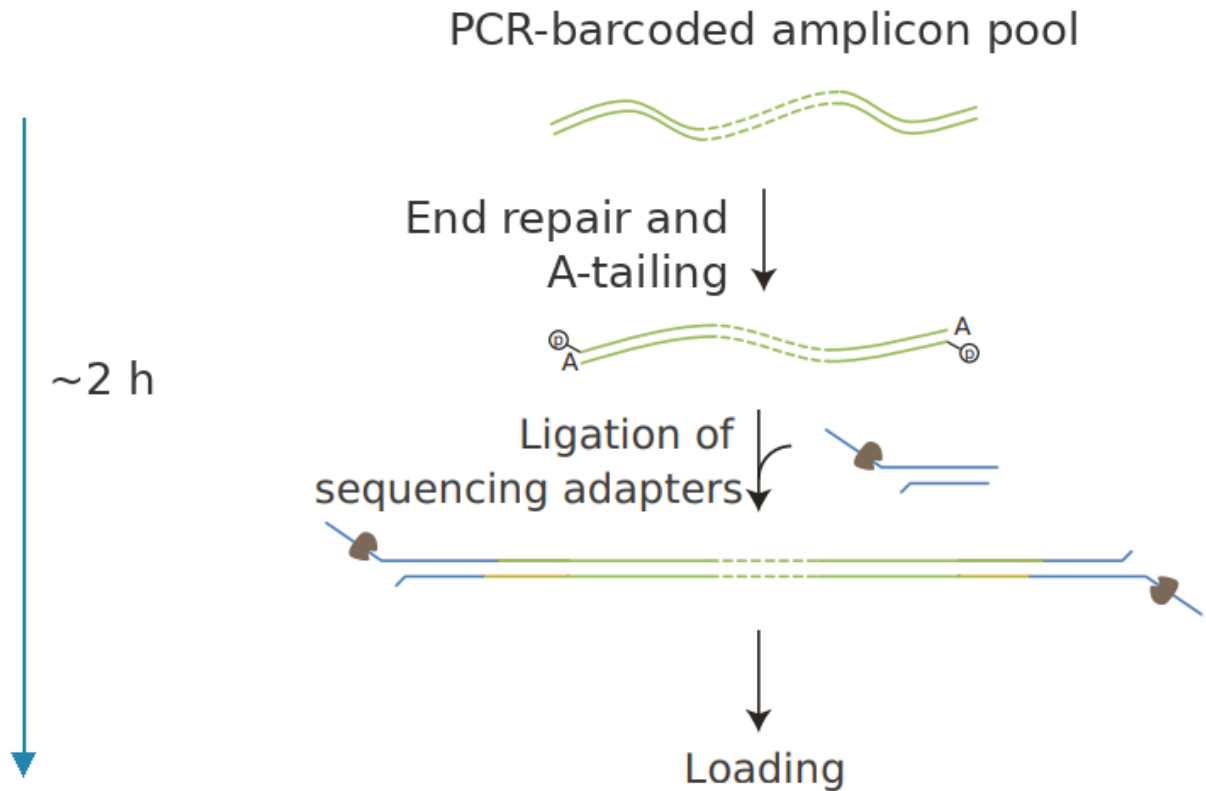
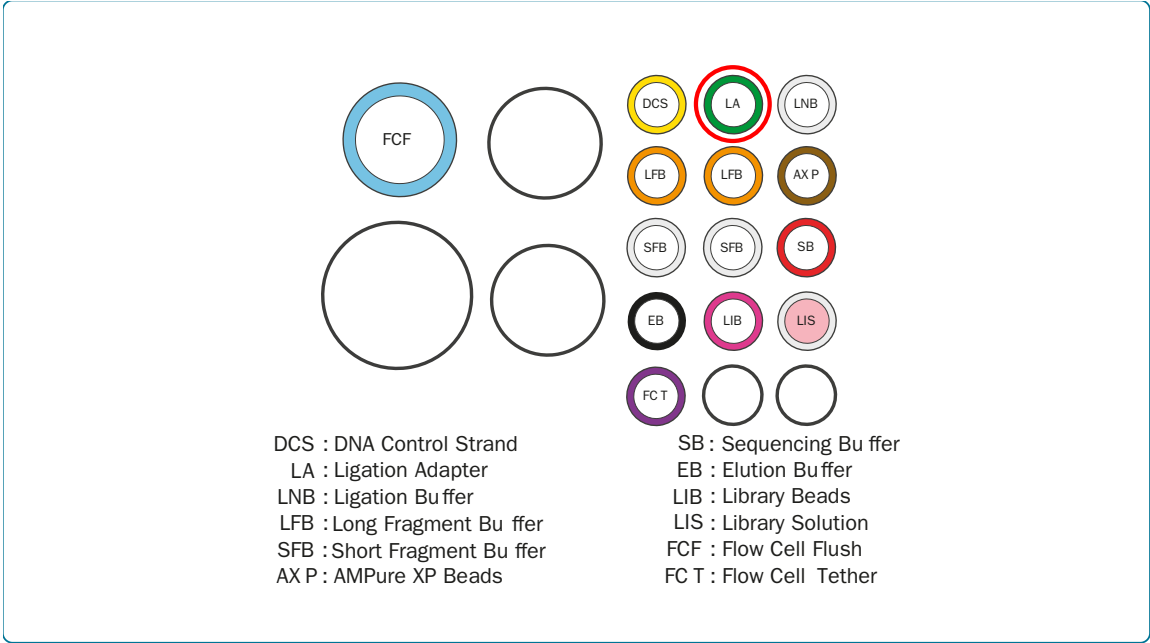


KAPA HyperPrep_SQK-LSK114

(0.5X reagent, PCR-barcoded samples)



SQK-LSK114 kit



Source: ONT SQK-LSK114 PromethION protocol GDE_9161_v114_revAC_24Sep2025, p. 9; fill volumes: ONT store (2026-09-17).

Fill volume per vial (µl): LA 40 · LNB 200 · DCS 35 · AXP 1,200 · LFB 1,800 × 2 · SFB 1,800 × 2
SB 700 · EB 500 · LIB 600 · LIS 600 · FCT 200 · FCF 8,000 (one bottle)

From this kit the library prep uses only the **Ligation Adapter (LA)**; clean-up and loading use LFB/SFB, EB, SB, LIB, FCF, FCT. Ligation runs in **KAPA Ligation Buffer + KAPA DNA Ligase**; the ONT Ligation Buffer (LNB) is not used (ONT recommends LNB for LA – test it if yield is low).

KAPA HyperPrep kits

Kapa/Roche Kit Codes and Components		
KK8500 07962312001 KK8501* 07962339001 8 libraries	End Repair & A-Tailing Buffer	60 µL
	End Repair & A-Tailing Enzyme	25 µL
	Ligation Buffer	245 µL
	DNA Ligase	80 µL
	KAPA HiFi HotStart ReadyMix (2X)*	250 µL
	Library Amplification Primer Mix (10X)*	50 µL
KK8502 07962347001 KK8503* 07962355001 24 libraries	End Repair & A-Tailing Buffer	210 µL
	End Repair & A-Tailing Enzyme	90 µL
	Ligation Buffer	900 µL
	DNA Ligase	300 µL
	KAPA HiFi HotStart ReadyMix (2X)*	690 µL
	Library Amplification Primer Mix (10X)*	138 µL
KK8504 07962363001 KK8505* 07962371001 96 libraries	End Repair & A-Tailing Buffer	930 µL
	End Repair & A-Tailing Enzyme	400 µL
	Ligation Buffer	3.8 mL
	DNA Ligase	1.26 mL
	KAPA HiFi HotStart ReadyMix (2X)*	3.0 mL
	Library Amplification Primer Mix (10X)*	600 µL

Source: KAPA HyperPrep Kit Technical Data Sheet KR0961 v7.19 (Roche), p. 1.

Compatibility of this protocol

This protocol should only be used in combination with:

1. KAPA HyperPrep kit
2. Ligation Sequencing Kit (**SQK-LSK114**)
3. R10.4.1 PromethION Flow Cells (**FLO-PRO114M**)

Materials :

1. **PCR-barcoded amplicons (pooled)** for R10.4.1 flow cells
2. KAPA HyperPrep kit
3. Ligation Sequencing Kit (**SQK-LSK114**)

Consumables :

1. 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tubes
2. 0.2 ml thin-walled PCR tubes
3. Fresh 80% ethanol in Nuclease-free water
4. Nuclease-free water
5. **PromethION Flow Cell** + Flow Cell Light Shield
6. HyperPure beads (KAPA)

Equipment :

1. Hula mixer (Rotor mixer)
2. **PromethION device**
3. PCR machine
4. magnetic stand
5. Quantus fluorometer
6. Microfuge
7. Vortex mixer
8. Ice bucket with ice
9. Timer
10. Pipette and tips

Step B. Adapter Ligation and clean-up	
※ Prewarm : SQK-LSK114 kit – Ligation Adapter (LA) KAPA HyperPrep kit – Ligation Buffer (thaw at RT, vortex) & DNA Ligase	
1. In a 1.5 ml Eppendorf LoBind tube, mix in the following order:	
Component (one PCR-barcoded pool)	Volume
End-prepped DNA (from Step A)	30 µl (whole Step A reaction)
Ligation Adapter (LA)	2.5 µl
Nuclease-Free water	2.5 µl
KAPA Ligation Buffer (not ONT LNB)	15 µl
KAPA DNA Ligase	5 µl
Total volume	55 µl
2. Mix thoroughly by gently pipetting the reaction up and down several times.	
3. Incubate at 20°C for 15 mins	

Step C. DNA library clean-up

※ **Prewarm : KAPA HyperPure beads**

a. beads at RT; vortex to resuspend

SQK-LSK114 kit at RT before use

b. Long Fragment Buffer (LFB)

c. Short Fragment Buffer (SFB)

d. Elution Buffer (EB)

1. Add **55 µl (1X) of resuspended HyperPure beads to the 55 µl adapter-ligated reaction** and mix by pipetting.

2. Incubate on a Hula mixer (rotator mixer) for 20 minutes at RT.

3. Place on magnetic stand, allow beads to pellet and pipette off supernatant.

4. Wash the beads by adding either **125 µl Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) or 125 µl Short Fragment Buffer (SFB)(<3k)**.

※ **Do not use ethanol to wash the beads !**

5. Flick the beads to resuspend, then return the tube to the magnetic stand and allow the beads to pellet.

6. Remove the supernatant using a pipette and discard.

7. **Wash the beads** by adding either **125 µl Long Fragment Buffer (LFB) or 125 µl Short Fragment Buffer (SFB)(<3k)**.

※ **Do not use ethanol to wash the beads !**

8. Flick the beads to resuspend, then return the tube to the magnetic stand and allow the beads to pellet.

9. Remove the supernatant using a pipette and discard.

10. Spin down and place the tube back on the magnetic stand.

11. Pipette off any residual supernatant.

12. Allow to dry for ~30 seconds, but do not dry the pellet to the point of cracking.

13. Remove the tube from the magnetic stand and resuspend the pellet in **25 µl Elution Buffer (EB)**.

14. Spin down and incubate **for 10-20 minutes at 37°C. Every 2 minutes, agitate the sample by gently flicking for 10 seconds to encourage DNA elution.**

15. Pellet the beads on a magnetic stand until the eluate is clear and colourless

16. Remove and retain **25 µl** of eluate into a clean 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube.

17. Quantify 1 µl of eluted sample using a Quantus fluorometer (or Qubit).

Step D. Priming and loading the PromethION Flow Cell

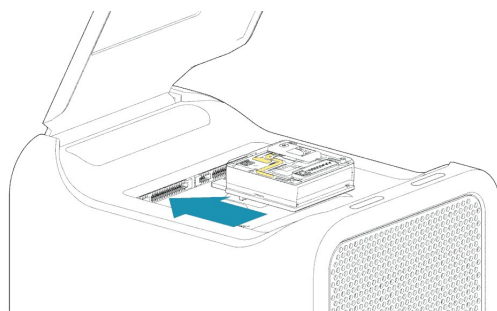
- ※ **Prewarm** : Ligation Sequencing Kit contents (**SQK-LSK114**)
- a. Sequencing Buffer (SB)
 - b. Library Beads (LIB) – or Library Solution (LIS) for viscous libraries
 - c. Flow Cell Tether (FCT)
 - d. Flow Cell Flush (FCF)
- thaw at RT, mix by vortexing, spin down, store on ice

- ※ Flow cell: only **R10.4.1 FLO-PRO114M**. Take it out of the fridge **20 minutes** before inserting it (room temperature). Inspect the gold connector pins for condensation (wipe with a lint-free wipe); the black heat pad must be on the underside.

1. Prepare the flow cell priming mix in a clean tube and mix by vortexing at room temperature:

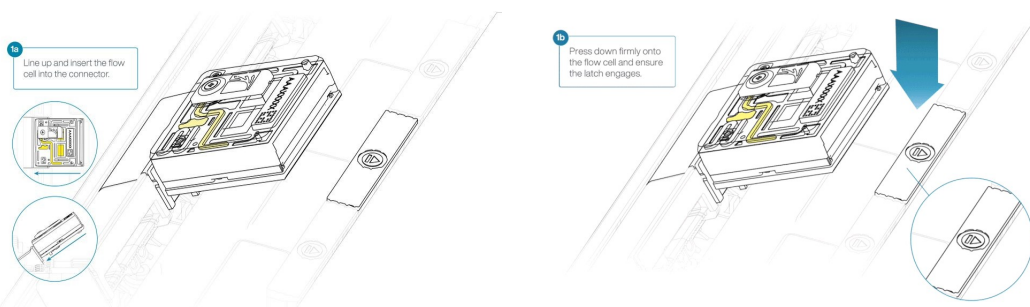
Reagents	Volume per flow cell
Flow Cell Flush (FCF)	1,170 µl
Flow Cell Tether (FCT)	30 µl
Total volume	1,200 µl

2. Load the flow cell into the device.
PromethION 2 Solo / 2 Integrated: place the flow cell flat on the metal plate and slide it into the docking port until the gold pins or green board cannot be seen.



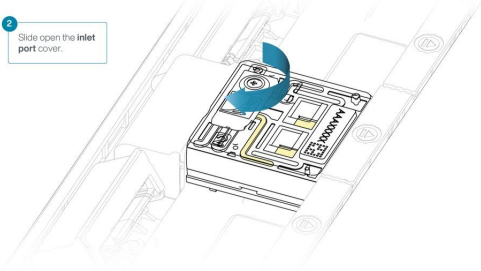
PromethION 24/48: line up the flow cell with the connector horizontally and vertically, insert smoothly, then press down firmly until the latch clicks into place.

- ※ **Inserting the flow cell at the wrong angle damages the pins of the PromethION.**

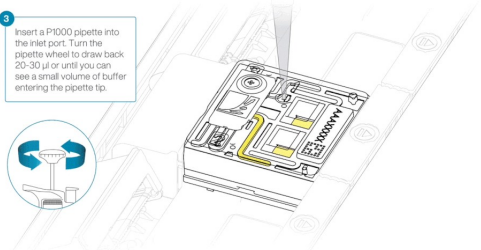


- ※ Complete a **flow cell check** before loading the library (omit if the flow cell was checked previously).

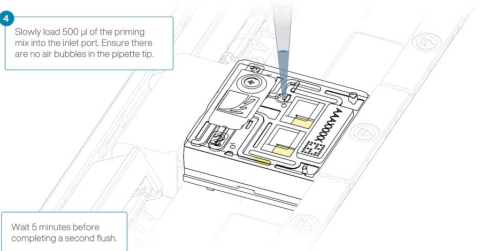
3. Slide the inlet port cover **clockwise** to open.
※ **Do not draw back more than 20-30 µl, and keep the array of pores covered by buffer at all times.** Air bubbles in the array irreversibly damage pores.



4. Draw back a small volume to remove any air bubbles:
1). Set a P1000 pipette to **200 µl**.
2). Insert the tip into the inlet port.
3). Turn the wheel until the dial shows **220-230 µl**, or until a small volume of buffer enters the tip.



5. Load **500 µl** of the priming mix into the flow cell via the inlet port, avoiding air bubbles. **Wait five minutes** – meanwhile prepare the library (steps 6-7).

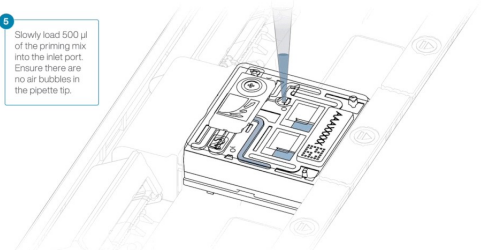


6. Thoroughly mix the Library Beads (LIB) by pipetting **immediately before use** – the beads settle very quickly.

7. In a new 1.5 ml Eppendorf DNA LoBind tube, prepare the library for loading as follows:

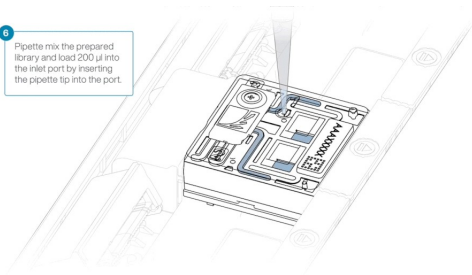
Component	Volume per flow cell
Sequencing Buffer (SB)	100 µl
Library Beads (LIB), mixed before use (or LIS)	68 µl
DNA library (all of the eluate from Step C)	25 µl
Total volume	193 µl

8. Complete the flow cell priming: **slowly** load the second **500 µl** of the priming mix into the inlet port.



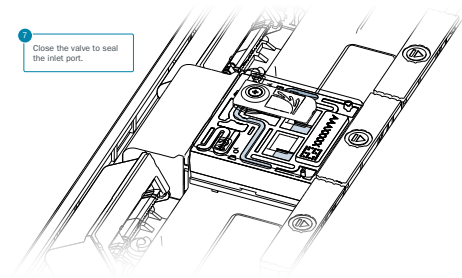
9. Mix the prepared library gently by pipetting up and down just prior to loading, then load **all 193 μ l** of library into the inlet port using a P1000 pipette.

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Pipette mix the prepared library and load 200 μ l into the inlet port by inserting the pipette tip into the port.



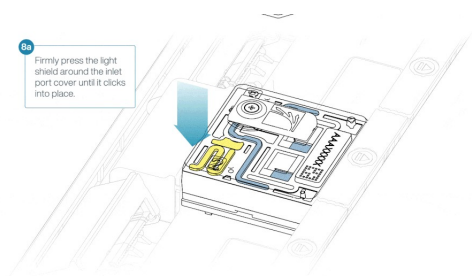
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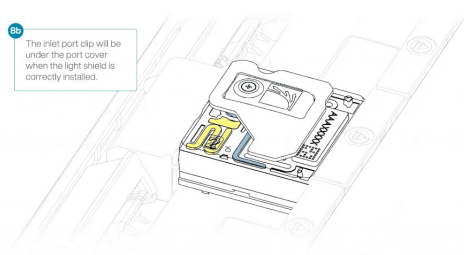


11. **Install the light shield as soon as the library has been loaded.** Align the inlet-port cut-out of the light shield with the inlet port cover (leading edge above the flow cell ID), then press firmly around the inlet port cover until the clip clicks into place underneath it.

11a
Firmly press the light shield around the inlet port cover until it clicks into place.



11b
The inlet port clip will be under the port cover when the light shield is correctly installed.



12. Close the PromethION lid. Wait **at least 10 minutes** after loading before starting the run in MinKNOW (Kit: **SQK-LSK114**).

※ After the run: wash the flow cell as soon as possible (Flow Cell Wash Kit EXP-WSH004, lab wash protocol) and store it at 2–8°C.

※ Library storage: DNA LoBind tube, **4°C** short term / re-loading; **-80°C** for > 3 months.