

Table S1. Details of single NGS library preparation steps in both canonical and optimized workflows

	Canonical	Optimized
1st amplification step (Molecule tagging) components:		
Breast cfDNA Panel v2	2µl	0.6µl
cfDNA Library PCR Master Mix	15µl	5µl
Nuclease-free water	0µl	1.4µl
DNA input	10µl normal genomic DNA (5ng) plus 3µl DNA from MDA sorted cells on DEPArray	3µl DNA from MDA sorted cells on DEPArray
Total volume	30µl	10µl
1st purification and elution steps:		
Agencourt Ampure XP Reagent beads	45µl	15µl
80% ethanol	150µl	100µl
Low TE	24µl	8µl
2nd amplification step (Library generation) components:		
DNA from 1 st elution step	23µl	8µl
Tag Sequencing BC (1-24)	1µl	0.4µl
cfDNA Library Primer P1	1µl	0.4µl
cfDNA Library PCR Master Mix	25µl	8µl
Total volume	50µl	16.8µl
2nd purification and elution steps:		
Agencourt Ampure XP Reagent beads	57.5µl	19.3µl
80% ethanol	150µl	100µl
Low TE	50µl	16.8µl
Size selection step:		
DNA from 2 nd elution step	50µl	16.8µl
Agencourt Ampure XP Reagent beads	50µl	16.8µl
80% ethanol	150µl	100µl
Low TE	30µl	22µl
Final transferred library volume	28µl	20µl