



IN ADVANCE

- Melt YPD in microwave and pour plates
- Restreak "Golden Yeast" onto YPD to isolate single colonies of different colors**

DAY OF LAB

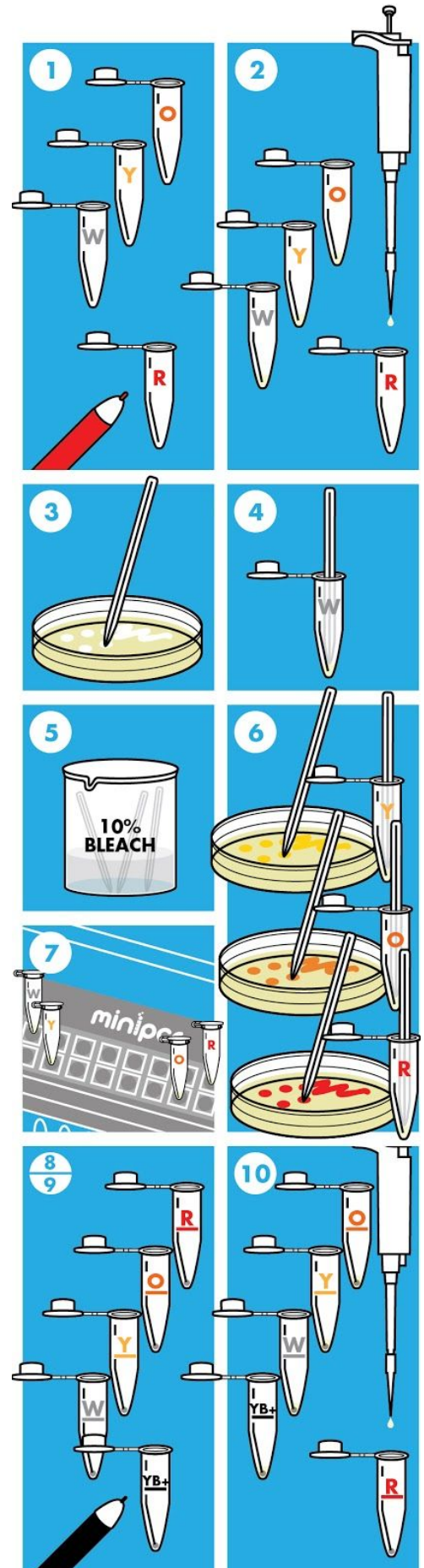
PART 1: DNA EXTRACTION

1. Label four 0.2 mL PCR tubes: W (for white), Y (for yellow), O (for orange), and R (for red)
2. Add 50 μ L of miniPCR X-tract buffer to each PCR tube
3. Using a sterile pipet tip, toothpick or inoculating loop, collect a small white colony.
4. Swirl the colony into the X-tract buffer in the PCR tube labeled "W" until there is a uniform suspension of cells.
5. Discard the pipet tip, toothpick or inoculating loop into the waste receptacle to be decontaminated.
6. Repeat steps 3-5 for the yellow, orange and red colonies, choosing a colony of the appropriate color each time.
7. Place the PCR tubes in the thermal cycler and heat them to 95° for 10 minutes.

PART 2: PCR

8. While the DNA is extracting, collect five Illumina PCR beads in 0.2 mL tubes.
9. Label the tubes: "YB+" "W" "Y" "O" "R"
10. To each tube, add 18 μ L of PRIMER MIX that includes forward and reverse primers for both the crtYB and actin1 genes.
11. Add 2 μ L of the crtYB+ DNA to the tube labelled YB+
12. Add 2 μ L of DNA extract from Part 1 to the corresponding tubes, e.g. DNA extracted from a white colony to the "W" tube.
13. Add 5 μ L of PCR-grade water to each tube, bringing the volume of all tubes to 25 μ L.

We recommend crossing off items on the following reaction checklist as the reagents get added.





Reaction checklist for each tube

- ▶▶ PCR bead
- ▶▶ Primer Mix
- ▶▶ Template DNA
 - ▶▶ crtYB+ positive control
 - ▶▶ ● from White yeast colony
 - ▶▶ ● from Yellow yeast colony
 - ▶▶ ● from Orange yeast colony
 - ▶▶ ● from Red yeast colony
- ▶▶ PCR-grade water

14. Place the tubes in the thermal cycler.
15. Run PCR

Initial denaturation	95 degrees C, 1min
Denaturation	95 degrees C, 10sec
Annealing	50 degrees C, 10sec
Extension	72 degrees C, 15sec
Number of cycles	35
Final extension	72 degrees C, 1min

PART 3: ANALYSIS

16. Remove PCR tubes from the machine and flick the contents to the bottom of each tube.
17. Add 5 µL of 6X loading dye to each PCR tube.
18. Load a 2% agarose gel with:
 - 12 µL of DNA Ladder
 - 12 µL of YB+ product
 - 12 µL of "W" PCR product
 - 12 µL of "Y" PCR product
 - 12 µL of "O" PCR product
 - 12 µL of "R" PCR product
19. Run gel for 10 minutes and photograph your result.

