

One Part CPEC

Loosely based on <http://dx.doi.org/10.1371/journal.pone.0006441> and quick change.

This protocol works well for CPEC-style DNA assemblies for which there is only one assembly piece per assembly reaction (*e.g.*, when deleting a portion of an existing plasmid vector, or inserting/replacing short sequences within an existing vector). In such instances, j5 will have designed two full-length primers (containing the requisite flanking homology sequences and possibly embedded short insert sequences) to amplify a DNA template to yield an assembly piece for subsequent CPEC assembly. This protocol uses these same two j5-designed full-length primers, but is a preferred alternative to regular CPEC assembly.

1. Setup 2 PCR-like reactions, each with only one of the two full-length primers.

Sterile water	13.5 μ L
GC buffer	5 μ L
DMSO (30% stock)	2.5 μ L
dNTPs (10 mM stock)	0.5 μ L
Primer (10 μ M stock)	2.5 μ L
Mini-prepped template DNA	0.5 μ L
Polymerase (Pfu)	<u>0.5 μL</u>
Total	25 μ L

98 °C	30s	
98 °C	10s	repeat 4x
Tm+3 °C	20s	
72 °C	15s/kb of DNA	
4 °C		

2. Combine both reactions and add 1 μ L more of polymerase.

98 °C	30 sec	
98 °C	10 sec	repeat 18x
Tm+3 °C	20 sec	
72 °C	15 sec/kb of DNA	
72 °C	5 min	
4 °C		

3. DpnI digest for 1 hour at 37 °C.
4. Gel extract (optional).
5. Transform 10 μ L into chemically competent cells.