Colony PCR

- 1. Keep everything on ice. The PCR reaction mixture in the ice preparation, and then placed in a PCR reaction in the PCR reaction apparatus. This cold start (Cool Start Method) can enhance the specificity of PCR amplification to reduce non-specific reactions in the PCR process, can get good PCR results.
- 2. Make up a master mix of everything into one microcentrifuge tube.
- 3. Pipette up and down in the microcentrifuge tube, drain $25\mu L$ or $50.0\mu L$ solution to each PCR tube.
 - a. 25.0µL reaction system

18.3μL ddH20

2.5μL 10x Buffer (mg²⁺)

2.0μL dNTPs

0.5μL forward primer

 $0.5\mu L$ reverse primer

0.2μL DNA polymerase

Colony stab (template DNA)

-----25.0μL Total

b. 50.0µL reaction system

37.75μL ddH20

5.0μL 10x Buffer (mg²⁺)

4.0µL dNTPs

1.0µL forward primer

1.0µL reverse primer

0.25μL DNA polymerase

Colony stab (template DNA)

-----50.0μL Total

- 4. Pick colonies from plates, spot onto these PCR tubes.
- 5. Run the "Colony PCR" program, and adjust your extention time as described.

The "Colony PCR" program

Initial denaturation: 95°C for 5:00min

25 cycles of:

94°C for 0:30 min

55°C for 0:30 min (different primers different annealing temperature)

72°C for t min ("t" depends on the length of goal sequence, 1min per 1kb)

Final extension: 72°C for 10:00 min

