

# Qiagen launches QIAamp PowerFecal Pro DNA Kit

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**Oct. 8, 2018**—[Qiagen](#) announced the worldwide launch of the QIAamp PowerFecal Pro DNA Kit, for the extraction of high-quality DNA from fecal and gut samples.

The kit uses the company's second-generation inhibitor removal technology and is intended for use with samples containing inhibitory substances commonly found in stool, such as polysaccharides, heme compounds, and bile salts. The company reports that improved IRT combined with more efficient bead beating and lysis chemistry yields high-quality DNA that can be used in downstream applications, including PCR, qPCR, and next-generation sequencing (16S and whole genome).

"Our understanding of the microbiome is expanding exponentially as we explore the interaction between microbes and the host," Dominic O'Neil, director of microbiome product development at Qiagen, said in a press release. "As such, researchers need powerful tools to uncover the breadth of biodiversity in the gut and its interplay in the overall health of the host. The QIAamp PowerFecal Pro DNA Kit further advances Qiagen's technology and market-leading position by taking an already strong product and making it even faster and more efficient for laboratories." The kit can also be automated on the QIAcube sample prep instrument.



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