## **!!! RNase-free working environment is required for the whole procedure!!!**

## **Protein preparation**

## . Prepare 1µM (1pmol/µL, 161.1ng/µL) CAS9/CPF1 with transduction buffer

- a. Thaw the CAS9/CPF1 at r/t.
- b. Centrifuge the sample in a desktop microcentrifuge at maximum speed for 5min at r/t.
- c. Dilute CAS9/CPF1 10x with its corresponding 5xtransduction buffer.
- d. Check the concentration with Nanodrop-Protein280.
- e. Dilute to  $161.1ng/\mu L (1\mu M)$  with its corresponding 1x transduction buffer.

## Experimental procedure of the *in vitro* endonuclease activity assay

1) Assemble the reaction at room temperature, in the following order:

Nuclease free water	12μL
NEB buffer 3	2μL
1µM sgRNA	4μL
1µM CAS9 / CPF1	1μL
Reaction volume	19μL
Pre-incubate at room temperature for 20min	l 
100fmol/µL substrate DNA fragment	1ul
Total reaction volume	20µL

2) Mix thoroughly and briefly spin down

3) Incubate in a thermocycler for 1hour at 37°C

4) Add 4µL of 6xDNA loading buffer

5) Checking on a 1.5% gel