

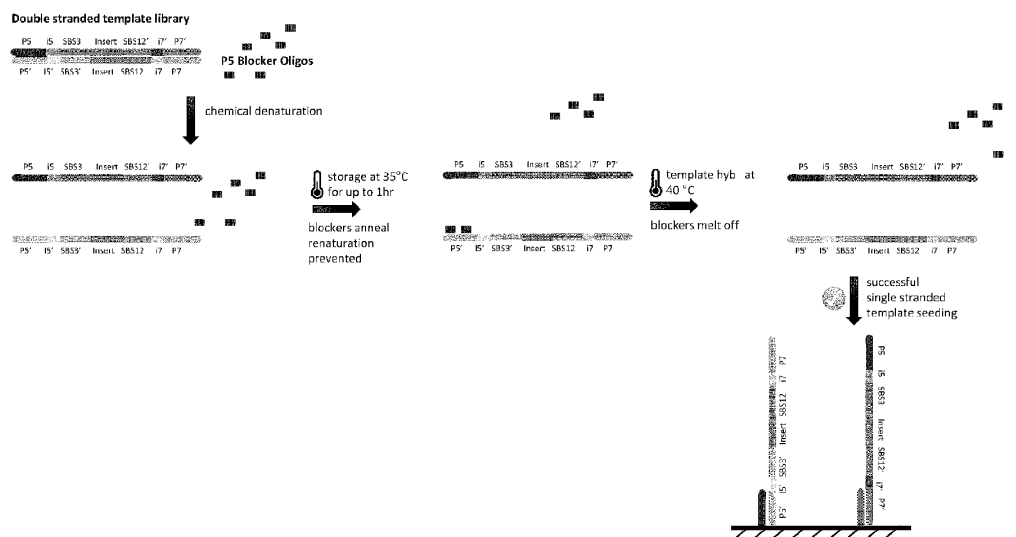


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(54) **Title:** BLOCKER METHODS

Figure 2a



(57) **Abstract:** The invention relates to methods of preventing renaturation of single-stranded nucleic acid libraries during storage, the method comprising using blocking oligonucleotides substantially complementary to adaptor sequences in the nucleic acid library.

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