

EXPERIENCED USER PROTOCOL PowerSoil® DNA Isolation Kit

Catalog No. 12888-50 & 12888-100

Please wear gloves at all times

- 1. To the **PowerBead Tubes** provided, add 0.25 grams of soil sample.
- 2. Gently vortex to mix.
- 3. Check Solution C1. If Solution C1 is precipitated, heat solution to 60°C until dissolved before use.
- 4. Add 60 µl of **Solution C1** and invert several times or vortex briefly.
- 5. Secure **PowerBead Tubes** horizontally using the MO BIO Vortex Adapter tube holder for the vortex (MO BIO Catalog# 13000-V1-24) or secure tubes horizontally on a flat-bed vortex pad with tape. Vortex at maximum speed for 10 minutes.

Note

If you are using the 24 place Vortex Adapter for more than 12 preps, increase the vortex time by 5-10 minutes.

- 6. Make sure the **PowerBead Tubes** rotate freely in your centrifuge without rubbing. Centrifuge tubes at 10,000 x g for 30 seconds at room temperature. **CAUTION**: Be sure not to exceed 10,000 x g or tubes may break.
- Transfer the supernatant to a clean 2 ml Collection Tube (provided).

Note

Expect between 400 to 500 μ l of supernatant. Supernatant may still contain some soil particles.

- 8. Add 250 μ l of **Solution C2** and vortex for 5 seconds. Incubate at 4°C for 5 minutes.
- Centrifuge the tubes at room temperature for 1 minute at 13,000 x g.
- 10. Avoiding the pellet, transfer up to, but no more than, 600 µl of supernatant to a clean **2 ml Collection Tube** (provided).
- 11. Add 200 µl of **Solution C3** and vortex briefly. Incubate at 4°C for 5 minutes.
- 12. Centrifuge the tubes at room temperature for 1 minute at x g
- 13. Avoiding the pellet, transfer up to, but no more than, 750 µl of supernatant into a clean **2 ml Collection Tube** (provided).
- 14. Shake to mix **Solution C4** before use. Add 1200 μ l of **Solution C4** to the supernatant and vortex for 5 seconds.



15. Load approximately 675 µl onto a **Spin Filter** and centrifuge at x g for 1 minute at room temperature. Discard the flow through and add an additional 675 µl of supernatant to the **Spin Filter** and centrifuge at 1 x g for 1 minute at room temperature. Load the remaining supernatant onto the **Spin Filter** and centrifuge at 11,000 x g for 1 minute at room temperature.

Note

A total of three loads for each sample processed are required.

- 16. Add 500 μ l of **Solution C5** and centrifuge at room temperature for 30 seconds at \times g.
- 17. Discard the flow through.
- 18. Centrifuge again at room temperature for 1 minute at x g.
- 19. Carefully place spin filter in a clean **2 ml Collection Tube** (provided). Avoid splashing any **Solution C5** onto the **Spin Filter**.
- 20. Add μ l of Solution C6 to the center of the white filter membrane. Let it sit at room temperature for 1 minute. Centrifuge at room temperature for 1 minute at 11,000 x g.

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22. Discard the **Spin Filter**. The DNA in the tube is now ready for any downstream application. No further steps are required.

We recommend storing DNA frozen (-20° to -80°C). **Solution C6** contains no EDTA. To concentrate the DNA see the Hints & Troubleshooting Guide.

Thank you for choosing the PowerSoil® DNA Isolation Kit!