iCLIP2 - Lysate preparation

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0. Preparations

- 0.1 Pre-cool Bioruptor
- 0.2 Add protease inhibitors and RNAse inhibitors to lysis buffer (per 10 ml)
 - 10 μl 1 M DTT (1 mM final) only for GFP-trap
 - 1 tb cOmplete EDTA-free
 - 25 μl 200 mM AEBSF (1:400, 0.5 mM final)
 - 50 μl 200 mM RVC (1:200, 1 mM final)

1. UV cross-linking, lysate preparation

Frozen powdered tissue

- 1.1 On dry ice, pre-cool porcelain mortar and pestle + 6-well tissue plate + pipette tips. Pour LN2 into mortar, add tissue and grind up. Scrap powder into a 6-well plate.
- 1.2 Irradiate 4x with 150-250 mJ/cm2 at 254 nm while still on dry ice. Mix the powder with LN2-cooled spatula in between irradiations.
- 1.3 Move the plate to wet ice and lyse directly on the plate, then transfer to 1.5 ml tube.
- 1.4 Add 1:1000 RNasin/Ribolock. Incubate on ice for 10 min with occasional flicking.
- 1.5 Sonicate using a Bioruptor for 6 cycles of 30 s on/off at high intensity
- 1.6 Centrifuge lysate 10 min at 17,900 g at 4°C, take supernatant. (Do not aspirate floating fat layer)
- 1.7 Clarify supernatant with 0.45 μm or 0.22 μm filter. Pool. (Co-star columns, 16,000 g, 5 min, 4°C)
- 1.8 Measure lysate concentrations, and dilute all samples to 1-2 mg/ml.
- 1.9 Use 1 ml aliquot for IP. Snap-freeze the rest and store at -80°C

Dissected brain tissue

- 1.10 Dissect 50 brains at a time in PBS. Transfer to a 6-well plate with 1 ml cold PBS supplemented with 0.2 mM AEBSF (1000x).
- 1.11 Irradiate 4x with 150 mJ/cm2 at 254 nm on ice. Mix the suspension in between irradiations.
- 1.12 Collect to Protein Lo-Bind tube. Remove as much s/n as possible. Snap-freeze.
- 1.13 For each 50 brains add 250 μl supplemented lysis buffer and homogenise (45 s each)
- 1.14 Pool the lysates and sonicate using a bioruptor for 6 cycles of 30 s on/off at high intensity
- 1.15 Centrifuge lysate 10 min at 17,900 g at 4°C, take supernatant
- 1.16 Clarify the lysate using either 0.22 µm filter or spin column (16,000 g, 5 min, 4°C)
- 1.17 Measure lysate concentrations

1.18 Snap-freeze and store at -80°C