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## Quick & Dirty DNA Extraction 🖘

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1 Works for me

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**ABSTRACT** 

Modified from Cheung et al., 1993

**EXTERNAL LINK** 

https://genome.cshlp.org/content/3/1/69.long

THIS PROTOCOL ACCOMPANIES THE FOLLOWING PUBLICATION

Cheung WY, Hubert N, Landry BS (1993) A simple and rapid DNA microextraction method for plant, animal, and insect suitable for RAPD and other PCR analyses. PCR Methods Appl 3:69–70

MATERIALS TEXT

Liquid nitrogen

Quick & Dirty extraction buffer with detergent (350 µl per sample)

Nanopure H<sub>2</sub>O

1M Tris base pH8.0

0.5M EDTA pH**8.0** 

NaCl

Sodium Metabisulfite (NA<sub>2</sub>S<sub>2</sub>O<sub>5</sub>)

5% sarkosyl solution ([M]50 g/L N-lauroyl-sarcosine, sodium salt)

[M] 10 M ammonium acetate ( 150 µl per sample)

100% isopropanol **■200 µI** per sample)

70% ethanol ( □500 µl per sample)

95% ethanol ( **□500 µl** per sample)

Nanopure H<sub>2</sub>O/TE

Make Quick & Dirty extraction buffer with detergent (500mL)

- 1 Add roughly  $\blacksquare 200 \text{ ml}$  nanopure  $H_2O$  to a  $\blacksquare 1 \text{ L}$  glass bottle with a stir bar and stir.
- 1.1 Transfer **80 ml** [M] 1 M Tris base to bottle.
- 1.2 Transfer **56 ml** [M]**0.5 M** EDTA to bottle.



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- 1.3 Transfer 46.7 g NaCl to bottle. 1.4 Transfer 3 g sodium metabisulfite to bottle. Stir until dissolved. 1.5 1.6 Transfer solution to graduated cylinder and add nanopure  $H_2O$  to bring volume to  $\Box 400 \text{ ml}$ . 2 Return to 11 L bottle and autoclave for 00:25:00. Allow solution to cool to room temperature. 3

  - Gently add □100 ml 5% sarkosyl solution to Q&D buffer.
    - Note: Sarkosyl solution is a a detergent and will foam if poured to quickly.
  - Swirl solution gently to mix. 3 1

Note: Once detergent has been added, do not autoclave, detergent will degrade at high heat.

## Prep

- Pre-heat Quick & Dirty extraction buffer with detergent in a § 60 °C incubator.
- Place isopropanol, 70% ethanol, and 95% ethanol in the freezer to chill.
- Place one steel ball bearing into each sample tube.
- Remove plate from -80 and quickly remove bottom from plate and float in liquid nitrogen to keep tissue frozen.

## Extract and Wash DNA

- Snap bottom back on to plate and shake in tissue homogenizer for © 00:00:30 on highest seed.
  - Note: Shake plate without lid so that casing of the homogenizer holds caps in place. Distribute samples evenly across plate so that samples are ground evenly.
- When tissue is ground to a fine powder centrifuge briefly to remove powder from the inside of caps.
- Open tubes and discard caps. 9.1
- 10 Add  $\square 350 \, \mu I$  pre-heated Q&D extraction buffer with detergent to each sample.
- 10.1 Add 150 µl [M] M ammonium acetate to each sample.
- Cover with clean caps and invert gently to mix. 10.2

11 Incubate samples at § 60 °C for © 00:15:00 to © 01:00:00 .

Note: To prevent caps from popping off while incubating, place inverted plate bottom over caps and hold down with a weight.

11.1 Invert samples gently every **© 00:05:00**.

Note: Caps will likely be loose, close tubes completely before inverting.

- 12 Centrifuge **3700 rpm, 22°C 00:20:00** to pellet tissue.
- 13 Near the end of the spin, transfer 200 µl per sample ice cold isopropanol to a new plate.
- 14 Transfer 300 μl , or as much as you can, of supernatant from each sample to isopropanol plate.
- 15 Recap tubes and invert several times to mix.
- 15.1 Incubate at room temperature for **© 00:05:00** to **© 00:15:00**
- 16 Centrifuge **3700 rpm, 4°C 00:20:00** to pellet DNA.
- 17 Slowly pour off supernatant without disturbing pelleted DNA.
- 18 Add **□500** µI ice cold 70% ethanol to each sample.
- 18.1 Cover with clean caps and invert gently to mix.
- 19 Centrifuge **3700 rpm, 4°C 00:10:00** to wash pellet.
- 20 Slowly pour off supernatant without disturbing pelleted DNA.
- 21 Add **500 μl** ice cold 95% ethanol to each sample.
- 21.1 Cover with clean caps and invert gently to mix.
- 22 Centrifuge 3700 rpm, 4°C 00:05:00 to wash pellet.
- 23 Slowly pour off supernatant without disturbing pelleted DNA.

Dry and Re-suspend DNA

- 24 Place the flat on a paper towel and cover the open tubes with a KimWipe.
- 24.1 Allow pellets to dry overnight.

25 Once pellet is dry, and no residual liquid remains in the tubes, re-suspend pellets with 20 μl - 100 μl of TE buffer or nanopure H<sub>2</sub>O depending on pellet size, desired concentration, and future uses.

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