# Cassava lea DNA extraction

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# **Abstract**

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# **Protocol**

# Step 1.

Prepare 1.5ml tube by adding a few glass beads.

#### Step 2.

To each tube add 200mg of leaf material

#### Step 3.

Freeze in liquid N2 and grind using the dental grinder

#### Step 4.

Add 2% beta-mercaptoethanol to the CTAB buffer just before use (200ul/10ml)

#### CTAB Buffer:

2% CTAB

2% PVP-40

100mM Tris-HCL pH 8.0

25mM EDTA-Na

2M NaCl

0.5g/L spermidine

Make up to required volume with DEPC treated water.

Incubate for 1h at RT and then autoclave

#### Step 5.

Add 1ml CTAB buffer to the sample, mix, incubate 15min at 50°C

# Step 6.

Centrifuge 5min full speed, transfer 900ul supernatant to fresh 2ml tube

#### Step 7.

Add 900 ul Chloroform:isoamyl alcohol (24:1), mix, centrifuge for 10min full speed

#### Step 8.

Transfer 800ul supernatant to fresh tube and add equal volume of Chloroform:isoamy alcohol (24:1), mix, centrifuge 10 min full speed10. Transfer 650ul supernatant to fresh 1.5 ml tube, add 390 ul (0.6 volume) cold EtOH

# Step 9.

Incubate at -80°C for 30 min or at -20C overnight.

# Step 10.

Centrifuge 30 min full speed at 4°C

#### **Step 11.**

Remove supernatant

#### Step 12.

Wash the pellet in 1 ml 80% ETOH

# **Step 13.**

Centrifuge 5min and vacuum dry the pellet.

#### Step 14.

Dissolve the pellet in 100 ul DEPC-treated water. \*continue on ice

### Step 15.

Measure the DNA concentration at a NanoDrop.

#### **Step 16.**

Pipette out as much DNA as required.

#### **Step 17.**

Continue with the following steps for RNA extraction: 20. Bring up the volume of total NA to 300 ul

# **Step 18.**

Add 1/5th volume of 10M LiCl

#### Step 19.

Incubate at -20 for at least 1 hour

#### Step 20.

Centrifuge full speed (4C) for 30 min

#### Step 21.

Wash with 80% EtOH

# Step 22.

Centrifuge 5min at 4000 rpm, at 4C, and vacuum dry the pellet.

### Step 23.

Resuspend in 30-50ul of H20