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RNA isolation of *Pinctada fucata martensii* [↗](#)

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ABSTRACT

This protocol provides details on RNA isolation of the tissue of *Pinctada fucata martensii*.

EXTERNAL LINK

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GUIDELINES

All tissue harvest and RNA isolation should be performed using RNase-free reagents and tools.

The tissue should be put in liquid nitrogen quickly after harvest. And then transfer to -80°C to save until use.

MATERIALS

NAME	CATALOG #	VENDOR
TRIzol™ Reagent	15596018	Thermo Fisher
Chloroform (Trichloromethane)	View	
Ethanol absolute	View	
Isopropyl alcohol	View	

- 1 Take 50-100 mg of tissue to 2.0 mL tube, then add 1 mL of TRIzol™ Reagent per 50–100 mg of tissue to the tube.
- 2 Add a steel ball to each tube and then flacker for 3 min by TissueLayer 2. The frequency is 26 (1/S). Repeat this step one time.
- 3 Incubate for 5 minutes to permit complete dissociation of the nucleoproteins complex.
- 4 Add 200 ul Chloroform (4 °C pre-cooling), then securely cap the tube and shake for 1 min to mix it completely. Then incubate for 10 min at 4 °C.

- 5 Centrifuge the lysate for 15 minutes at $12,000 \times g$ at 4°C , then transfer the aqueous phase containing the RNA (~500 μl) to a new 1.5 mL tube.
- 6 Add 0.5 mL of isopropanol to per 0.5 mL aqueous phase, then mix it gently.
- 7 Incubate 10 min at 4°C . Then centrifuge for 10 minutes at $12,000 \times g$ at 4°C .
- 8 Remove the supernatant as much as possible. Centrifuge for 1 minute at $12,000 \times g$ at 4°C to remove the supernatant completely if necessary.
- 9 Resuspend the pellet in 1 mL of 75% ethanol per 1 mL of TRIzol™ Reagent used for lysis.
- 10 Centrifuge for 5 min at $12,000 \times g$ at 4°C , then discard the supernatant. Repeat step 9 and step 10 for one time.
- 11 Air-dry the RNA pellet for 5 min at 4°C .
- 12 Resuspend the RNA pellet in 20–50 μl of RNase-free water.
- 13 Measuring the concentration of RNA by the instrument of SimpliNano and detecting RNA integrity using a 1% agarose gel.
- 14 RNA sample stored at -80°C .



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