

# Zymoclean™ Gel DNA Recovery Kit

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## **Abstract**

This is a protocol for high yield recovery of pure DNA from agarose gels using the Zymoclean™ Gel DNA Recovery Kit.

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# **Guidelines**

All centrifugation steps should be performed between 10,000 - 16,000 x g.

#### **Product Contents**

Zymoclean™ Gel DNA Recovery Kit (Kit Size)	<b>D4001, D4007</b> (50 Preps.)	<b>D4002, D4008</b> (200 Preps.)	Storage Temperature
ADB	50 ml	2x100 ml	Room Temp.
DNA Wash Buffer <sup>1</sup>	6 ml	24 ml	Room Temp.
DNA Elution Buffer	1 ml	4 ml	Room Temp.
Zymo-Spin™ I Columns	50 D4001 - uncapped columns D4007 - capped columns	200 D4002 – uncapped columns D4008 – capped columns	Room Temp.
<b>Collection Tubes</b>	50	200	Room Temp.
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Integrity of kit components is guaranteed for up to one year from date of purchase. Reagents are routinely tested on a lot-to-lot basis to ensure they provide the highest performance and reliability. 

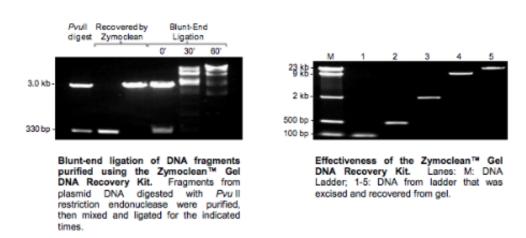
¹ Ethanol must be added prior to use as indicated on the DNA Wash Buffer label.

## **Specifications**

- **DNA Purity** High-quality, purified DNA is especially well suited for sequencing and ligation reactions.
- DNA Size Limits From ~50 bp to 23 kb.
- **DNA Recovery** Typically, up to 5  $\mu$ g total DNA per column can be eluted into as little as 6  $\mu$ l of low salt **DNA Elution Buffer** or water. For DNA 50 bp to 10 kb, the recovery is 70-90%. For DNA 11 kb to 23 kb, the recovery is 50-70%.
- Sample Sources DNA in excised agarose gel slices.
- **Product Detergent Tolerance** ≤ 5% Triton X-100, ≤ 5% Tween-20, ≤ 5% Sarkosyl, ≤ 0.1% SDS.

## **Product Description**

The **Zymoclean™ Gel DNA Recovery Kit** provides a hassle-free method for high yield recovery of pure DNA from agarose gels. Simply add the specially formulated **Agarose Dissolving Buffer (ADB)** to the gel slice containing your DNA sample, let dissolve, and then transfer to the supplied **Zymo-Spin™ Column**. There is no need for organic denaturants or chloroform. Instead, the product utilizes Fast-Spin column technology to yield high-quality DNA in just 15 minutes (See figures below). DNA purified using the **Zymoclean™ Gel DNA Recovery Kit** is perfectly suited for use in DNA ligation reactions, sequencing, DNA labeling reactions, PCR, etc.



**Zymoclean**<sup>™</sup> products are offered in single column (uncapped or capped column) or 96-well format. In addition, the **Zymoclean**<sup>™</sup> **Large Fragment DNA Recovery Kit** is designed for large DNA (up to 200 kb) gel recovery.



## **Before start**

Add 24 ml 100% ethanol (26 ml 95% ethanol) to the 6 ml **DNA Wash Buffer** concentrate. Add 96 ml 100% ethanol (104 ml 95% ethanol) to the 24 ml **DNA Wash Buffer** concentrate.

## **Materials**

✓ ADB (Agarose Dissolving Buffer) D4001-1-50 by Contributed by users

Zymo DNA Wash Buffer D4003-2-6 by Zymo Research

Zymo DNA Elution Buffer <u>D3004-4-1</u> by <u>Zymo Research</u>

Zymoclean™ Gel DNA Recovery Kit - Uncapped columns <u>D4001</u> by <u>Zymo Research</u>

## **Protocol**

# Step 1.

Excise the DNA fragment from the agarose gel using a razor blade, scalpel or other device and transfer it into a 15 ml microcentrifuge tube

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The amount of agarose excised from the gel should be as small as possible.

## Step 2.

Add 3 volumes of ADB to each volume of agarose excised from the gel.



✓ ADB (Agarose Dissolving Buffer) D4001-1-50 by Contributed by users

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(e.g. for 100 μl (mg) of agarose gel slice add 300 μl of ADB)

## Step 3.

Incubate at 37-55 °C for 5-10 minutes until the gel slice is completely dissolved.

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Do not incubate above 60°C. It is important that the gel slice dissolve completely. This can be facilitated by gentle mixing during the incubation.

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For DNA fragments > 8 kb, following the incubation step, add one additional volume (equal to that of the gel slice) of water to the mixture for better DNA recovery (e.g., 100  $\mu$ l agarose, 300  $\mu$ l ADB, and 100  $\mu$ l water).

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I like to let the agarose dissolve for 15 minutes at 55 °C versus the Zymo recommendation.

#### Step 4.

Transfer the melted agarose solution to a Zymo-Spin™ Column in a Collection Tube.

## Step 5.

Centrifuge for 30-60 seconds. Discard the flow-through.

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Remove the flow-through by aspiration. Avoid contamination of the collection tube rim.

## Step 6.

Wash #1:Add 200 µl of DNA Wash Buffer to the column.

**■** AMOUNT

200 µl Additional info:



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Zymo DNA Wash Buffer <u>D4003-2-6</u> by <u>Zymo Research</u>

## Step 7.

Wash #1:Centrifuge for 30 seconds. Discard the flow-through.

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## Step 8.

Wash #2: Add 200 µl of DNA Wash Buffer to the column.

AMOUNT

200 µl Additional info:



REAGENTS

Zymo DNA Wash Buffer <u>D4003-2-6</u> by <u>Zymo Research</u>

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Ultra-pure DNA is now ready for use.

## Step 9.

Wash #2:Centrifuge for 30 seconds. Discard the flow-through.

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DNA Elution Buffer: 10 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.5, 0.1 mM EDTA.

Elution of DNA from the column is dependent on pH and temperature. If water is used, make sure the pH is >6.0. Waiting 1 minute prior to elution may improve the yield of larger (> 6 kb) DNA. For even larger DNA (> 10 kb), the total yield may be improved by eluting the DNA with 60-70 o C DNA **Elution Buffer** 

# Step 10.

Add  $\geq$  6  $\mu$ l DNA Elution Buffer or water directly to the column matrix.

AMOUNT

6 μl Additional info:



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Zymo DNA Elution Buffer <u>D3004-4-1</u> by <u>Zymo Research</u>

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I use exactly 6 uL of their elution buffer.

## Step 11.

Place column into a 1.5 ml tube and centrifuge for 30-60 seconds to elute DNA.

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