



Sep 22, 2019

## Yeast transformation

Marijn Ceelen<sup>1</sup><sup>1</sup>Wageningen University
1 Works for me
[dx.doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.7jkhkkw](https://dx.doi.org/10.17504/protocols.io.7jkhkkw)

iGEM Wageningen 2019

Santi Castanedo

## ABSTRACT

This is a protocol for the transformation of yeast cells with linear or circular DNA.

## MATERIALS

NAME	CATALOG #	VENDOR
Polyethylene Glycol 3350		
Salmon Sperm DNA Carrier	15632011	ThermoFisher
100ml Lithium acetate [1M]	R039	G-Biosciences
YPD Broth	A1374501	Thermo Fisher

## MATERIALS TEXT

Synthetic complete (SC) medium + agar

## BEFORE STARTING

Have all the DNA fragments that will be transformed in high enough concentrations to reach from 0.5-4 µg DNA per transformation.  
Have SC plates without the right amino acid that will be used as a selective marker.

- 1 Make a transformation mix consisting of:

DNA	34 µL (0.5-4 µg per fragment)
Salmon sperm DNA 2 mg/mL	50 µL
PEG-3350	240 µL
1M LiOAc	36 µL
MQ water	up to a final volume of 360 µL

- 2 Centrifuge the 1.5 mL tubes with 100 µL of yeast competent cells for 2 minutes at 5000x g and remove the supernatant.
- 3 Add 360 µL of the transformation mix into the 1.5 mL with the cells and vortex thoroughly.
- 4 Heat-shock the solution at 42 °C for 40 minutes.

- 5 Centrifuge the cells for 2 minutes at 5000x g and remove the supernatant.
- 6 Resuspend the cells in 1 mL of YPD medium. Divide the volume into two different 1.5 mL tubes.
- 7 Leave cells to recover for 1.5 hours at 30 °C and 300 rpm.
- 8 Centrifuge cells for 2 minutes at 5000x g and decant supernatant, leaving a bit of the medium inside the tubes.
- 9 Resuspend cells in the resting medium and plate 50 µL onto a SC plate without the amino acid used as a selection marker.
- 10 Incubate the cells for 3 days at 30 °C.



This is an open access protocol distributed under the terms of the [Creative Commons Attribution License](https://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/4.0/), which permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original author and source are credited