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RNA Isolation from Plant Tissue Protocol 16: CTAB-Hot Acid Phenol Method for Algae

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ABSTRACT

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This RNA isolation method is a combination and modification of the hot acid phenol method (protocol 14) and that described by Asif et al⁶. This method was used for two taxa (P. cruentum and B. braunii).

 Protocol 14: Ambion Trizol RNA Extraction in Microcentrifuge Tubes with Turbo DNAfree Digestion
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This protocol is part of a collection of eighteen protocols used to isolate total RNA from plant tissue. (RNA Isolation from Plant Tissue Collection: <https://www.protocols.io/view/rna-isolation-from-plant-tissue-439gyr6>)

⁶ Asif, M.H., Dhawan, P. & Nath, P. A simple procedure for the isolation of high quality RNA from ripening banana fruit. Plant Molecular Biology Reporter 18, 109-115 (2000).


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MATERIALS TEXT

Reagents

Extraction Buffer:

- 100 mM Tris-HCl pH 8.2
- 1.4 M NaCl
- 2 % CTAB
- 20 mM EDTA pH 8.2
- 1 µl of 2-mercaptoethanol per ml of buffer just before use
- DEPC treated water



The final reaction buffer was filter purified using Nalgene 0.22 µM filter.

Other reagents:

- Acid phenol (pH 4.3)
- Phenol:chloroform (5:1) acid equilibrated to pH 4.7 from Sigma
- Chloroform
- Isopropanol
- 70 % ethanol (diluted in DEPC treated water H₂O)

- 3 M Sodium acetate pH 5.5
- 3 M Lithium chloride

SAFETY WARNINGS

Please see SDS (Safety Data Sheet) for hazards and safety warnings.

- 1 Preheat phenol and phenol:chloroform to $\text{65 }^{\circ}\text{C}$.



Heated phenol should not be re-used.

- 2 Collect algae cells via centrifugation for $00:10:00$ at $16100 \times g$ at Room temperature .

- 2.1 Flash freeze pellets with liquid nitrogen and keep at $-80 ^{\circ}\text{C}$ until extractions are carried out.

- 3 Re-suspend the frozen pellet in $800 \mu\text{l}$ of preheated [extraction buffer](#).

- 4 Incubate at $\text{65 }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for $01:00:00$. Gently vortex every $00:15:00$.

- 5 Cool to Room temperature .

- 5.1 Add equal volume of chloroform.

- 5.2 Shake vigorously until 2 phases form an emulsion.

- 6 Collect the aqueous phase by centrifuging for $00:10:00$ in micro-centrifuge at $16100 \times g$ at Room temperature .

- 7 Collect aqueous phase and re-extract with an equal volume of chloroform.

- 7.1 Centrifuge as above.
- 8 Collect aqueous phase and add **10 Molarity (M)** LiCl to a final concentration of **3 Molarity (M)**.
- 8.1 Allow the RNA to precipitate at **4 °C** overnight.
- 9 Recover the RNA by centrifugation at **16100 x g** at **4 °C** for **00:20:00**.
- 10 Dissolve pellet in DEPC treated water.
- 10.1 Extract once with hot acid phenol.
- 11 Extract the aqueous phase with equal volume of phenol:chloroform (5:1).
- 12 Vortex for **00:01:00** at **Room temperature**.
- 12.1 Spin for **00:05:00** in a micro-centrifuge at top speed.
- 13 Extract the aqueous phase with equal volume of chloroform.
- 14 Collect aqueous phase and add 1/30 volume of **3 Molarity (M)** sodium acetate pH 5.5 and 0.1 volume of 100 % ethanol.
- 14.1 Mix well and keep on ice for **00:30:00**.
- 14.2 Centrifuge in cold for **00:25:00**.
- 14.3 A white jelly-like pellet consisting mostly of polysaccharides is obtained and discarded.

- 15 To the clear supernatant add **3 Molarity (M)** sodium acetate pH 5.2 to a final concentration of **0.3 Molarity (M)** and 3 volumes of 100 % ethanol.
- 15.1 Allow the RNA to precipitate at **-80 °C** for **03:00:00** to overnight.
- 16 Spin in micro-centrifuge at **4 °C** at top speed for **00:20:00**.
- 17 Wash the pellet with 70 % ethanol.
- 18 Invert tubes and air dry at room temperature.
- 19 Resuspend pellets in **50 µl** of DEPC treated water.



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