

Total DNA "Midi" CTAB prep. for *Zymoseptoria tritici*

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Abstract

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Protocol

Prepare spores

Step 1.

Grow single spore isolate in 40-50mL [YSB](#) for 5-8 days at room temperature in shaker at 120-160rpm. Harvest spores by centrifuging in 50mL Falcon tube at approx. 3500rpm for 10-15min. Pour off supernatant.

If not planning to use tissue immediately, transfer tissue to a 5 ml Falcon tube or leave in 50 ml Falcon tube. Spin in centrifuge at full speed to pack tissue and store at -80 degrees Celcius. Lyophilize tissue on lyophilizer overnight or until completely dry.

Prepare CTAB buffer

Step 2.

CTAB Extraction Buffer 100 ml

14.0 ml	5 M NaCl	= 700 mM
5.0 ml	1.0 M Tris (pH 8.0)	= 50 mM
2.0 ml	0.5 M EDTA	= 10 mM
10.0 ml	10% CTAB	= 1 %
1.0 ml	<i>B</i> Mercapto EtOH	= 1 %
68.0 ml	Distilled water	to 100 ml

10% CTAB stock is good for six months at 4 C

Disrupt the cells

Step 3.

Place tissue in mortar and add liquid nitrogen (only if tissue is wet). Grind into a fine powder with pestle. Alternatively, grind lyophilized tissue with a glass rod directly in tube. Transfer powder to a 15 ml centrifuge tube (not more than 1/2 of tube) and immediately add 5 ml CTAB extraction buffer. Mix well by agitating and inverting tube several times.

Warning: CTAB extraction buffer is caustic. Gloves must be worn at all times when handling.

Reminder: Always make a fresh batch of CTAB extraction buffer each day. CTAB extraction buffer goes bad after 48 hours.

Extraction

Step 4.

Place tube in 60°C H₂O bath for 45-60 min., agitating tube every 10-15 minutes.

Caution: Occasionally the writing on the tube will begin to rub off or will be erased by chloroform or EtOH, therefore it is important in the following steps to frequently check the labeling on the tubes.

Extraction

Step 5.

Add 5 ml chloroform:isoamyl alcohol (24:1, v:v) and emulsify mixture by gently inverting for 10-15 seconds. Do this step in the fume hood to minimize exposure to chloroform vapors. Centrifuge at 10,000 rpm (12,900 X g) for 15min to produce three layers. Transfer upper, aqueous phase to fresh 15 ml tube and do another chloroform extraction.

Extraction

Step 6.

Add equal volume of isopropanol in the 15 ml tube and gently invert tube 15-20 times to precipitate DNA. Let tube sit at room temperature for 10 minutes before centrifuging at 9,000 rpm for 6 min.

Extraction

Step 7.

Pour off supernatant and let pellet drain well on paper towels. Resuspend pellet in 2.0 ml TE.

Extraction

Step 8.

Precipitate DNA by adding 0.5 volume (1.0 ml) 7.5 M NH₄OAc and 2 volumes (4.0 ml) EtOH. Mix by inverting tube 15-20 times and let sit for 10 minutes at room temperature. Spin at 9,000 rpm (10,400 X g) for 6 min.

Extraction

Step 9.

Pour off supernatant and let pellet drain well on paper towels. Resuspend pellet in 400 µl of TE. Spin down DNA in the centrifuge at top speed for three minutes to collect all liquid in the bottom of the tube. Transfer the DNA solution to a 1.5 ml microfuge tube.

Extraction

Step 10.

Precipitate DNA by adding 0.5 volume (200 µl) 7.5 M NH₄ OAc and 2 volumes (800 µl) EtOH. Mix by inverting tube 15-20 times and let sit for 10 minutes at room temperatures. Spin at top speed in microfuge for 10 minutes.

Extraction

Step 11.

Dry down pellet in vacuum chamber and resuspend in 50-500 µl TE. Store in 4 degrees Celcius refrigerator overnight and quantify [DNA] on fluorometer. Store at 4 degrees Celcius until ready to digest.