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Baermann Funnel Extraction

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ABSTRACT

Baermann Funnel Extraction

MATERIALS

Materials for sample preparation:

- Glass funnel
- Funnel stand
- Filter paper
- Tubing
- 2mm mesh sieve
- DI water bottles

Sample Preparation

- 1 Sieve soil to 2mm
- 2 Weigh out 4 50 g soil in a weigh boat
- 3 Place tissue paper on top of Baermann funnel apparatus
- 4 Place weighed and sieved soil on top of filter paper
- Fill Baermann funnel with DI water using a DI water bottle so that soil sample is saturated but not submerged in water
- 6 Cover all Baermann funnels with a plastic Uline
- At 24:00:00 and 48:00:00 mark, check soil and refill any funnels with decreased water level 2d to prevent the soil from drying out.
- At 5 72:00:00 empty funnel over a 25um mesh sieve to collect nematodes

9 Transfer the nematodes that are on the sieve into a labelled centrifuge tube using a hot fixative

1d

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- 10 Collect soil from top of Baermann funnel; dry and weigh to get gravimetric soil moisture content
- 11 Count the entire sample at 50x magnification using a dissecting scope
- 12 Identify 100 nematodes