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Medium fractionation and EV preparation

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ABSTRACT

This protocol describes the characterization of the extracellular alpha-synuclein and DNAJC5

MATERIALS

For specific information about reagents and materials to perform an EV preparation, refer to a previous paper published by our lab www.bio-protocol.org/e3706

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Medium fractionation

- Centrifuge the conditioned medium at 1,500 x g for 00:20:00 at 4 °C in a Sorvall RC 6+ centrifuge with fixed angle rotor F14S-6X250y FiberLite
- 2 Pour the supernatant into a new container without disturbing the pellet.
- Centrifuge the supernatant at 10,000 x g for 00:30:00 at 4 °C in a Sorvall RC 6+ centrifuge with fixed angle rotor F14S-6X250y FiberLite
- 4 The supernatant fractions at each step were collected and treated with methanol/chloroform to precipitate proteins which were then collected by centrifugation
- **5** Pellet fractions were resuspended in sample buffer to achieve a 20-fold concentration.
- **6** The sedimented fractions at each step were also collected and resuspended in sample buffer.
- 7 All the fractions were analyzed by immunoblot.

30m

Extracellular vesicle (EV) preparation

- 8 Centrifuge the conditioned medium at 1,500 x g for 00:20:00 at 4 °C in a Sorvall RC 6+ centrifuge with fixed angle rotor F14S-6X250y FiberLite
- 9 Pour the supernatant into a new container without disturbing the pellet.
- Centrifuge the supernatant at 10,000 x g for 00:30:00 at 4 °C in a Sorvall RC 6+ centrifuge with fixed angle rotor F14S-6X250y FiberLite
- Pour the supernatant into a new container without disturbing the pellet.
- Add 35 ml of the collected supernatant into a single 38.5 ml ultra-clear tube. Repeat this step 5 times to fill a total of six 38.5 ml ultra-clear tubes.
- Centrifuge at ~100,000 x g (29,500 RPM) for 01:30:00 using a SW32 Ti rotor at 4 °C a 1h 30m maximum acceleration and brake.
- Aspirate the supernatant, put the tubes upside down on paper towel to dry any residue of medium. Aspirate the residue by vacuum system if needed.
- Resuspend the pellet by adding 500 uL of PBS (pH 7.4) buffer to the bottom of each tube, put the tubes on a compatible rack, and rigorously shake the tubes on orbital shaker in cold room for

30m



Combine the resuspend pellet (\sim 500 uL x 6 tubes = 3mL; +1mL PBS) and centrifuge again at 120,000 x g (36,500 RPM) x \circlearrowleft 01:00:00 at \checkmark 4 °C in SW-55 rotor

1h

- Resuspend the pellet again in 200uL PBS Buffer and add 1mL of 60% (1.8M) sucrose buffer (20mM Tris 7.4, 150 mM NaCl) and vortex to mix the sample evenly. The final sucrose concentration should be above 50% measured by refractometer.
- Aliquots of 40% (5 ml) and 10% (2 ml) sucrose buffer were sequentially overlaid above the sample. The tubes were then centrifuged at 150,000×g for 16:00:00 at 4 °C in at SW41 Ti swinging-bucket rotor (Beckman Coulter)

16h

After centrifugation, 0.5 ml fractions were collected from top to bottom and samples were analyzed by SDS-PAGE and immunoblot.