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🌐 *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation of the chytrid fungus *Spizellomyces punctatus* (Sp) V.2

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ABSTRACT

This is a collection of protocols for *Agrobacterium*-mediated transformation of the chytrid fungus

Spizellomyces punctatus.

ATTACHMENTS

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GUIDELINES

Please thoroughly read through each protocol entry before starting, including the materials, guidelines, and warnings

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MATERIALS

Section 1: Dilute Salts Stock Solution I (10x)

- [M] 5 millimolar (mM) KH_2PO_4 (340.2 mg)
Potassium phosphate monobasic Sigma Aldrich Catalog #P0662-1KG
- [M] 5 millimolar (mM) KH_2PO_4 (435.5 mg)
Potassium phosphate dibasic Sigma Aldrich Catalog #P3786-1KG
- [M] 5 millimolar (mM) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{HPO}_4$ (330.15 mg)
Ammonium phosphate dibasic Sigma Aldrich Catalog #215996
- 500 mL Water
- Sterilize by filtration
- Store at Room temperature for up to 12 months

Section 2: Dilute Salts Stock Solution II (10x)










- [M] 0.5 millimolar (mM) MgCl_2 (11.9 mg)
1 M Magnesium Chloride (MgCl_2) Sigma Aldrich Catalog #M8266
- [M] 0.5 millimolar (mM) CaCl_2 (13.87 mg)
Calcium chloride Sigma – Aldrich Catalog #C1016
- 250 mL Water
- Sterilize by filtration
- Store at Room temperature for up to 12 months

Section 3: Dilute Salts Solution (1x) (Machlis, 1958)












- 100 mL DS Stock Solution I
- 100 mL DS Stock Solution II
- 800 mL sterile water
- Prepare solution in a sterile laminar flow hood with sterile supplies
- Store at Room temperature for up to 12 months

Section 4: K1 Media (liquid and solid)






- 0.06% Bacto Peptone (0.6 g) (w/v;
Bacto™ Peptone Thermo Fisher Scientific Catalog #211677)

- 0.04% Yeast Extracts ( 0.4 g) (w/v;
 Fisher BioReagents™ Microbiology Media Additives: Yeast Extract **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP1422-2**
- 0.18% Glucose ( 1.8 g) (w/v;
 D-()-Glucose **Millipore Sigma Catalog #G5767-5KG**
- *For solid media only.* 1.5% (w/v) agar ( 15 g)
 Agar **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP1423-500**
- Water up to  1 L
- Sterilize by autoclaving
- Let cool to  60 °C before adding any selection antimicrobials
- Store at  4 °C for up to 6 months

Section 5: LB media (liquid and solid)-- made from individual components

- 1% Tryptone ( 10 g) (w/v,  Tryptone **Millipore Sigma Catalog #T7293**)
- 1% NaCl ( 10 g)
 Sodium Chloride Fisher BioReagents™ **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP358-1**
- 0.5% Yeast Extract ( 5 g) (w/v;
 Fisher BioReagents™ Microbiology Media Additives: Yeast Extract **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP1422-2**
)
- *For solid media only.* 1.5% (w/v) agar ( 15 g)
 Agar **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP1423-500**
- Water up to  1 L
- Sterilize by autoclaving
- Let cool to  60 °C before adding any selection antimicrobials
- Store at  4 °C for up to 6 months

Section 6: LB media (liquid and solid)-- commercially available

-  25 g LB powder ( LB Broth (Miller) **Millipore Sigma Catalog #L3522-1KG**)
- *For solid media only.* 1.5% agar ( 15 g) (w/v;
 Agar **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP1423-500**)
- Water up to  1 L

- Sterilize by autoclaving
- Let cool to 60 °C before adding any selection antimicrobials
- Store at 4 °C for up to 6 months

Section 7: Minimal Salts Solution (2.5x)












- [M] 26.6 millimolar (mM) KH_2PO_4 (3.625 g)
 Potassium phosphate monobasic **Sigma Aldrich Catalog #P0662-1KG**
- [M] 29.4 millimolar (mM) KH_2PO_4 (5.125 g)
 Potassium phosphate dibasic **Sigma Aldrich Catalog #P3786-1KG**
- [M] 6.4 millimolar (mM) NaCl (0.375 g)
 Sodium Chloride Fisher BioReagents™ **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP358-1**
- [M] 5 millimolar (mM) $\text{MgSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (1.250 g)
 Magnesium sulfate heptahydrate **Millipore Sigma Catalog #2303915**
- [M] 1.1 millimolar (mM) $\text{CaCl}_2 \cdot 2\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (0.165 g)
 Calcium Chloride Dihydrate **Sigma Catalog #C7902-500G**
- [M] 22.3 micromolar (μM) $\text{FeSO}_4 \cdot 7\text{H}_2\text{O}$ (6.2 mg)
 Iron(II) sulfate heptahydrate **Millipore Sigma Catalog #F8263-1KG**
- [M] 9.5 millimolar (mM) $(\text{NH}_4)_2\text{SO}_4$ (1.250 g)
 Ammonium sulfate **Millipore Sigma Catalog #A2939-500g**
- Water up to 1 L
- No need to sterilize, precipitate is normal
- Store at Room temperature for up to 1 year

Section 8: MES with acetosyringone

- [M] 40 Molarity (M) MES (pH 5.3) (7.7 g) (2-(N-morpholino)ethanesulfonic acid)
 MES hydrate **Millipore Sigma Catalog #M2933-500G**
- [M] 200 micromolar (μM) acetosyringone (0.0392 g)
 3'5'-Dimethoxy-4'-hydroxyacetophenone **Sigma Aldrich Catalog #D134406-5G**
- pH with KOH
- MES must be at pH 5.3 before adding acetosyringone
- Water up to 50 mL after pHing
- Filter sterilize, DO NOT autoclave

- Add to IM recipe after other components are autoclaved and cooled

Section 9: Induction Media (liquid and solid)

- 1x Minimal salts solution ( 400 mL of 2.5x stock solution, see recipe above)
- [M] 10 millimolar (mM) glucose ( 0.9 g) (w/v;
 D-()-Glucose **Millipore Sigma Catalog #G5767-5KG**)
- 0.5% glycerol (v/v;  5 mL)
 Glycerol (Certified ACS) Fisher Chemical™ **Fisher Scientific Catalog #G33-1**
- For solid media only: 1.5% (w/v) agar ( 15 g)
 Agar **Fisher Scientific Catalog #BP1423-500**
- Water up to  950 mL
- Sterilize by autoclaving BEFORE adding MES with acetosyringone
-  50 mL MES with acetosyringone (see recipe above; only add after autoclaving other components and cooling to  58 °C)
- DO NOT autoclave acetosyringone, this will degrade the hormone
- Store at  4 °C for up to 1 month

ATTACHMENTS

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Protocol



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Protocol 1: Electroporation of *Agrobacterium tumefaciens* with a plasmid of interest

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Protocol 2: Culturing *Spizellomyces punctatus* (Sp) prior to transformation day

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Protocol 3: Growing liquid cultures of *Agrobacterium* prior to transformation day

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Protocol 4: Creating depressions in induction media plates

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Protocol 7: Picking colonies of transformed Spizellomyces punctatus (Sp)

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