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Sedimentation Assay

 In 1 collection

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ABSTRACT

This protocol details sedimentation assay for alpha-synuclein fibrils.

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With Sucrose Cushion

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Note

A sucrose cushion will minimize chances of the pellet being disturbed but may increase the chances of α -synuclein monomer ending up in the pellet fraction.

Dilute 4 μ L of 5 mg/mL α -synuclein PFFs to 40 μ L in PBS in ultracentrifuge tubes.

2



Add 40 μ L 20% sucrose beneath PFFs.

3



Ultracentrifuge at 100000 x g (45000 rpm) for 00:30:00 at 22 $^{\circ}$ C .

30m

4



Remove 70 μ L supernatant and add to new tube.

5



Add 60 μ L 12.5% sucrose to the pellet and resuspend the pellet by pipetting.

6 Dilute samples in 5x sample buffer.


7 Boil samples at  95 °C for  00:05:00 .

5m

8 Run samples on a 15% polyacrylamide gel.






Note

 20 µL or less of sample can be loaded. Loading less may make for a cleaner gel (no α-synuclein PFFs visible in the supernatant).

9 Stain with Coomassie blue.

Without Sucrose Cushion

35m

10 Dilute  4 µL of  5 mg/mL α-synuclein PFFs to  40 µL in PBS.

11 Ultracentrifuge at  100000 x g ( 45000 rpm) for  00:30:00 at  25 °C .

30m



12 Remove supernatant and dilute in 5x sample buffer.

13 Add  40 μL PBS to the pellet.



14 Resuspend pellet by pipetting up and down. Dilute in 5x sample buffer.




15 Boil samples at  95 $^{\circ}\text{C}$ for  00:05:00 .

5m

16 Run samples on a 15% polyacrylamide gel.



Note

 10 μL or less of sample can be loaded. Loading less may make for a cleaner gel (no α -synuclein PFFs visible in the supernatant).

17 Stain with Coomassie blue.