



Plasmid transduction using competent cell V.2

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ABSTRACT

Plasmid can be transduced into bacteria at competent state using heat shock. This protocol helps transduce plasmid into competent cells.

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MATERIALS TEXT

Competent cell, DNA plasmid solution, LB broth medium, LB agar plate (with antibiotics)

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- 1 Take competent cell out from -80°C fridge and thaw on ice.
- When the cells are completely thawed, pipette $\square 2 \mu L$ plasmid DNA solution into $\square 100 \mu L$ competent cell.

Put the cell in ice for © 00:30:00

3m 30s
Conduct heat shock on the competent cell by placing the cell in § 42 °C water bath for
© 00:01:30 .

Put the cells back into ice for © 00:02:00

45m Add **300 μL** LB broth medium into competent cell mixture. Shake at **180 rpm, 37°C** for

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5	Centrifuge at 36000 rpm, Room temperature, 00:05:00 .
	Centrifuge radius = 6 cm.
6	Discard $\blacksquare 900~\mu L$ supernatant and resuspend the pellet in the rest $\blacksquare 100~\mu L$ supernatant.
7	Spread the cells onto LB agar plates.
	LB agar plates may contain antibiotics, which is determined by the transduced plasmid.
8	Place the plate with lid on upside for \bigcirc 01:00:00 .
9	Invert the plate and culture at § 37 °C in a biomedical incubator overnight.
	If the bacteria turn out to be too concentrated, dilute the cell before spreading on the plate next time.