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isolation and extraction of plant nuclei in plug

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Method for isolation and extraction of plant cell nuclei.

Protocol for obtaining UHMW DNA (> 150kb) allowing the production of optical cards with Bionano technology.

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Never use a vortex in order to maintain a good molecule size.

Use only wide bore tips.

Allow the DNA to resuspend for a minimum of 48 hours before proceeding with QC.

The nuclei isolation part should be done in a chemical hood because of the use of 2-mercaptoethanol

Reagents :

 [Tris HCl P212121](#)

 [EDTA \(0.5 M\), pH 8.0 Life](#)

Technologies Catalog #AM9260G


 [KCl Contributed by users](#)

 [Sucrose P212121](#)


 [PVP Sigma](#)

 [Spermine Contributed by users](#)

 [Spermidine Contributed by users](#)

 [Triton X-100 Sigma](#)

Aldrich Catalog #T8787-50ML

 [2-Mercaptoethanol Sigma Aldrich](#)

 [N-lauryl sarcosine Sigma](#)

Aldrich Catalog #L5125-50G

 [NaCl Contributed by users](#)

 [UltraPure™ Low Melting Point Agarose Contributed by](#)

users Catalog #16520-100 Step 20

 [Agarase \(0.5 U/μL\) Thermo](#)

Fisher Catalog #E00461

 [Proteinase K Contributed by users](#)

 [RNase A Contributed by users](#)

 [Dialysis membrane, 44mm Bio Basic](#)

Inc. Catalog #TX0112.SIZE.2m

Consumables :

 [MBP™ Wide Bore Pipette Tips Thermo](#)

Fisher Catalog #02707600

 [CHEF Disposable Plug Molds BioRad](#)

Sciences Catalog ##1703713 Step 21

 [Certified Cheesecloth Thermo](#)

Fisher Catalog #22055053 Step 10

 [Miracloth Merck](#)

Millipore Catalog #475855 Step 10

 [Falcon 40 µm Cell](#)

[Strainer Corning Catalog #352340](#) Step 10

 [Petri](#)

[Dish P212121 Catalog #LI-PD01100](#)

 [Nunc™ Cell Factory™ System Accessories, vent cap Thermo](#)

[Fisher Catalog #146008](#) Step 30

Equipment :

ThermoMixer® C

Eppendorf Catalog No. 2231000680 



C1 Platform Shaker

Platform Shaker

New Brunswick Scientific SKU unknown

preparation of reagents

- 1 **NIB Buffer : 200 ml** : freshly prepared

Reagent	Final concentration
Tris ph8	10 mM
EDTA	10 mM
KCl	80 mM
Sucrose	0.5 M
PVP 40	2 %
Spermine	1 mM
Spermidine	1 mM
H2O	qsp 200 ml

Adjust the Ph to 9.4 then filter at 0.22 µm

2 NIBT Buffer : 160 ml

A	B
NIB Buffer	160 ml
Triton X100	0.5%

3 NIBTM Buffer : 40 ml

A	B
NIBT Buffer	40 ml
2-Mercaptoethanol	0.75 %

4 Cell suspension Buffer : Can be stored for 1 year at 4°C.

A	B
Tris ph8	10 mM
EDTA	50 mM
NaCl	2 mM
H2O	Qsp 100ml

5 Lysis Buffer : Can be stored for 1 year at RT.

A	B
EDTA 0.5M	100 ml
N-Lauroylsarcosine	1 %

Nuclei isolation 3h

Putting a mortar in ice

6 Cool a mortar/pestle with liquid nitrogen until the bubbling stops.

7 Place a beaker in ice and add a magnetic stirrer.
Add **20 ml of NIBTM** (10 ml/g of leaves) and stir gently

📦 **20 mL NIBTM**

8 Grind 2g of frozen sample for without adding liquid nitrogen, until a fine powder is obtained ^{2m}
(approx. 2 min)

📦 **2 g** ⌚ **00:02:00**



Before grinding



After grinding

9 Transfer the powder to the beaker and **shake gently for 10 minutes** in ice. ^{10m}

⌚ **00:10:00**



10 **Filter the mixture** into a 50ml tube through autoclaved filters (2 cheese cloth + 2 Mira cloth) on a funnel (squeeze the filters at the end of filtration to recover more of the solution containing the nuclei).

Filter through a 40µm cell strainer into a new 50ml tube.

📦 **Certified Cheesecloth Thermo**


Fisher Catalog #22055053

 **Miracloth Merck**


Millipore Catalog #475855


 **Falcon 40 µm Cell**

Strainer Corning Catalog #352340

- 11 **Pelleting the homogenate** by centrifugation.(acceleration and deceleration at level 3) 20m
 **800 x g, 4°C, 00:20:00 , Acc 3 / Dec 3**



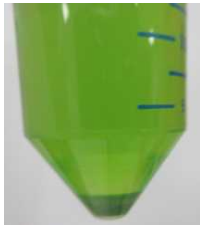
- 12 Remove the supernatant and gently **resuspend the pellet** in ice (use a brush if the pellet does not recover).
Add **20ml of cold NIBTM**
 **20 mL NIBTM**

- 13 **Pelleting the homogenate** by centrifugation to remove residues and unlysed cells. 2m
 **60 x g, 4°C, 00:02:00 , Acc 3 / Dec 3**



- 14 **Filter the supernatant** through a 40 µm cell sieve into a new 50 ml tube.

- 15 **Pellet the nuclei** by centrifugation. 15m
 **800 x g, 4°C, 00:15:00 , Acc 3 / Dec 3**



- 16 Wash the pellet 3 times in NIBT buffer :**
- Remove the supernatant
 - Gently resuspend the pellet
 - Add 40 ml of cold NIBT buffer **40 mL NIBT**
 - Centrifuge **800 x g, 4°C, 00:15:00 , Acc 3 / Dec 3**

15m



1st wash



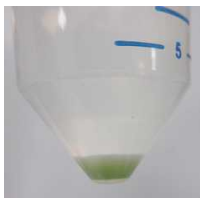
2nd wash



3rd wash

- 17 Make a final wash in 30 ml of cold NIB buffer.**
- 800 x g, 4°C, 00:15:00 , Acc 3 / Dec 3**

15m



Final wash

- 18 Resuspend the last pellet in the residual buffer (approx. 200 µl) and transfer the homogenate to a 1.5 ml tube.**
- Centrifuge.**

15m

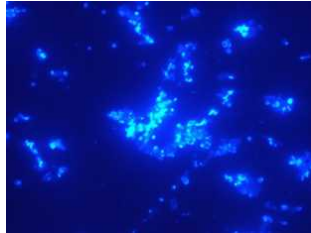
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- 19 Remove the supernatant with a pipette and resuspend the pellet in an appropriate volume of **cell suspension buffer** :
60µl / plug

Adjust the number of plugs to be made according to the size of the pellet.

- 19.1 optional : microscopic observation
- Take an aliquot of 100 µl of suspension
 - Stain with DAPI
 - Observe the presence of nuclei



Embedding in agarose 30m

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Nb plugs	1	2	3
Nuclei suspension	60 µl	120 µl	180 µl
Agarose 2%	40 µl	80 µl	120 µl

Use **Low Melting agarose** for a final agarose concentration of 0.8 %

[UltraPure™ Low Melting Point Agarose](#) Contributed by
users Catalog #16520-100

- 21 Put a **CHEF Disposable Plug Molds** on ice

[CHEF Disposable Plug Molds BioRad](#)
Sciences Catalog ##1703713

- 22 **Melt agarose** at 70°C for 5 min then equilibrate at 43°C for 5 min

10m

🕒 00:05:00 ⚡ 70 °C

🕒 00:05:00 ⚡ 43 °C

- 23 **Preheat the nuclei suspension** to 43°C for 3min and then add the appropriate amount of ^{3m} agarose (see table).

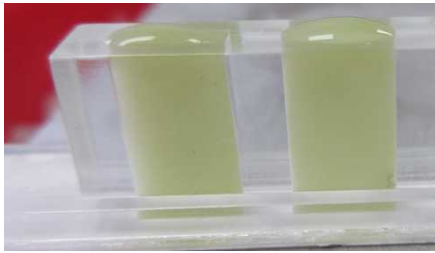
Mix gently with a wide-bore tip, avoiding bubbles.

🕒 00:03:00 ⚡ 43 °C

- 24 Immediately **dispense 100µl** of mixture per well using wide-bore tips.
Allow to polymerise for 15 minutes on ice.

15m

🕒 00:15:00 📍 On ice



Proteinase K digestion

18h

- 25 Prepare a fresh proteinase K digestion solution by mixing **200 µl of proteinase K** enzyme (20mg/ml) with **2.5 ml of lysis buffer** in a 50 ml tube.

🧴 200 µL Prot. K 🧴 2.5 mL Lysis Buffer

- 26 **Transfer plugs** to the 50ml tube containing Proteinase K digestion solution.

- 27 **Incubate** in thermomixer for 2 hours at 50 °C with intermittent mixing
Mixing cycle: 10 seconds at 450 rpm followed by 10 minutes at 0 rpm

2h

🕒 02:00:00 📍 50 °C

- 28 Screw a sieve caps onto the tube and empty the solution. Change the proteinase K Solution bath as before.

Incubate in thermomixer overnight at 50 °C with intermittent mixing

Mixing cycle: 10 seconds at 450 rpm followed by 10 minutes at 0 rpm

🕒 Overnight 📍 50 °C

RNase Digestion

1h 30m

- 29 Prepare the wash solutions :

TE 10:50 (Wash Buffer)

Reagent	For 500ml	Final concentration
Tris 1M pH8	5 ml	10 mM
EDTA 0.5M	50 ml	50 mM
H2O qsp 500ml	445 ml	

TE 10:5 (For Rnase)

Reagent	For 500ml	Final concentration
Tris 1M pH8	5 ml	10 mM
EDTA 0.5M	5 ml	5 mM
H2O qsp 500ml	490 ml	

30 Empty the tube using a vent cap.

 [Nunc™ Cell Factory™ System Accessories, vent cap Thermo](#)

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Rinse the plugs 3 times with 10ml of wash buffer.

Wash 2 times with 10ml wash buffer for 15 min at RT with gentle agitation (15 rpm) on a horizontal platform mixer.

 **15 rpm, Room temperature , 00:15:00**

31 **Rinse the plugs** 3 times with 10ml of TE 10:5

1h

 [RNase](#)

Add 2.5ml of TE 10:5 and 50 µl of **Rnase** Solution [A Qiagen Catalog #19101](#)

Incubate **1hour at 37°C** with intermittent mixing

 **01:00:00**  **37 °C**

32 **Rinse the plugs** 3 times with 10ml of Wash Buffer.

NB : The plugs can be stored at 4°C in a wash buffer at this stage

Agarase treatment 2h

33 **Wash 4 times** with 10ml wash buffer for 15 min at RT with gentle agitation (15 rpm) on a horizontal platform mixer.

 **15 rpm, Room temperature , 00:15:00**

34 **Transfer the plug** to a 1.5 ml tube with a sterile spatula

35 **Melt the plug** in a water bath at 70°C for 2 minutes

2m

 **00:02:00**  **70 °C**

36 **Transfer the tube** to a water bath at 43°C for 5 minutes

5m

🕒 00:05:00 🌡 43 °C

- 37 **Add 2µl of agarase** and mix gently by rotating with the tip. 45m
Incubate 45 minutes at 43 °C

🕒 00:45:00 🌡 43 °C

Dialysis 1h

- 38 Place **10 ml of 1x TE Buffer** in a 6 cm Petri dish. 15m
Float a 0.1 µm dialysis membrane on the surface of the 1x TE Buffer. Place a cover on the Petri dish and let the membrane equilibrates for 15 minutes.

🕒 00:15:00

- 39 **Deposit the entire sample** in the centre of the membrane using a wide-bore tip. 45m
Place cover on the Petri dish and let the sample dialyze for **45 minutes at room temperature**.

🕒 00:45:00 🌡 Room temperature

- 40 **Transfer DNA** to a 1.5 ml microfuge tube with a Wide Bore Tip.

- 41 Allow the **DNA to resuspend overnight** at RT then 2 days at 4°C before performing quality control.

🕒 Overnight 🌡 Room temperature

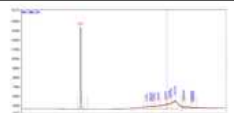
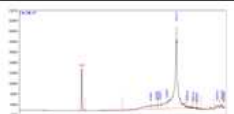
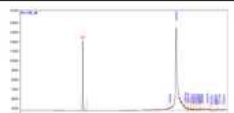
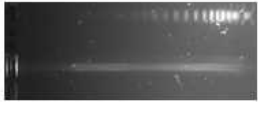
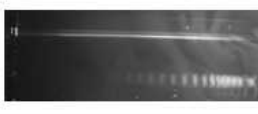
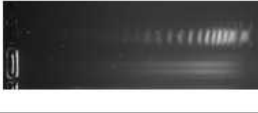
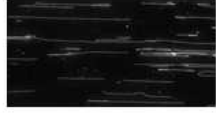
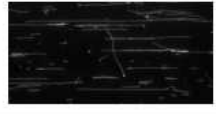
Sample QC

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Quantify your sample with a **Qubit HS**.
NB : Before quantification, sonicate the DNA aliquot for 10 min to obtain a more reliable result

Visualise 1 µL of sample to estimate the molecular weight. (**Tapestation** or/and **pipin pulse** or/and **Femto pulse**)

Résultats

- 43 QC results obtained on different plant species, using different technologies to estimate the size of the molecules.

plant species	[c] ng/μl	yield μg/g	Size	profiles	Technology
<i>Arabidopsis halleri</i>	28,6	5,4	160 kb		F e m t o p u l s e
<i>lactuca sativa</i>	190	5,6	144 kb		
<i>Silene latifolia</i>	127	18	149 kb		
<i>Musa acuminata</i>	156	19,6	50-200 kb		P i p p i n p u l s e
<i>Musa textilis</i>	38,5	4,3	50-200 kb		
<i>Fagus sylvatica</i>	93,6	6,2	50-200 kb		
<i>Fallopia multiflora</i>	155	24	50-250 kb		Q c a r d A R G U S
<i>Citrus australasica</i>	107,5	13	50-200 kb		
<i>Spartina maritima</i>	207	18,2	50-150 kb	