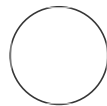


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## 🌐 Qiagen DNeasy PowerSoil HTP 96 Kit

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### ABSTRACT

#### Introduction

The DNeasy PowerSoil HTP 96 Kit allows high-throughput isolation of DNA from up to 384 soil samples in less than one day.

#### Principle and procedure

This kit provides researchers with a high-throughput method for isolating genomic DNA from environmental samples using Inhibitor Removal Technology® (IRT) that efficiently removes humic substances that inhibit PCR. This procedure effectively removes PCR inhibitors from even the most difficult soil types, allowing for more successful PCR amplification of DNA. DNA isolated from many sample types, including compost, sediment and manure, was successfully used as template to amplify members of a wide range of microbial groups in soils. These include bacteria (gram-positive, gram-negative and spore-formers), actinomycetes, archaeobacteria and fungi.

Environmental samples are added to a 96 well bead beating plate for rapid and thorough homogenization. Cell lysis occurs by a combination of mechanical and chemical methods. Humic substances are removed by a specialized precipitation process. Total genomic DNA is captured on a 96 well silica membrane in a spin-column plate format. DNA is then washed and eluted from the membrane. The eluted DNA is ready for PCR analysis and other downstream applications.

The estimated time from start to finish to process two 96 well plates for this protocol is approximately 8 hours. Stopping points at appropriate steps are mentioned in the protocol. The majority of the time is for weighing and loading the soil samples into the 96 well plates.

As of April, 2023 - no published studies successfully detecting fish sedDNA using this protocol, however research is still in development and we hope to see promising results in the future

### ATTACHMENTS

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We are still developing and optimizing this protocol

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## GUIDELINES

The DNeasy PowerSoil HTP 96 Kit reagents and components can be stored at room temperature (15–25°C) until the expiry date printed on the box label.

This DNeasy PowerSoil HTP 96 Kit is designed to process 0.25 g of soil. Recommended starting amounts for different soil types are listed in Table 1.

## MATERIALS

### Equipment and Reagents to Be Supplied by User

- Centrifuge capable of handling two 96 well blocks (13 cm x 8.5 cm x 60 cm) at 4500 x g  
*Note: If you have a centrifuge with a maximum speed less than 4500 x g, see the Troubleshooting Guide.*
- Multi-channel pipettor (50–650 µl)
- Mechanical shaker for 96 well blocks and plate adaptors (cat. no. 11990)
- Vortex-Genie® 2 vortex with 3-inch platform
- 100% ethanol
- Reagent reservoirs (optional)
- Vacuum pump (optional)
- Vacuum manifold (optional)
- Plate seals (optional – if protocol is paused at step 15)

### Kit Contents (384 preps; 12955-4)

- QIAamp® 96 Plates (4)
- PowerBead DNA Plates, Garnet (4)
- PowerBead Solution (2 x 200 ml)
- Solution C1 (45 ml)
- Solution C2 (128 ml)
- Solution C3 (106 ml)
- Solution C4 (2 x 330 ml)
- Solution C5-D\* (120 ml)  
*Note: \*Before using for the first time, add 100% ethanol to Solution C5-D, as indicated in the protocol, to obtain a working solution.*
- Solution C6 (66 ml)
- Racked Elution Microtubes (4)
- Caps for Elution Microtubes (50 x 8)
- Collection Plates, 1 ml (4 x 4)
- Collection Plates, 2 ml (4)
- AirPore Tape Sheets (25)
- Sealing Tape, Polyester, 2 ml (16)
- S-Blocks (4)
- Square Well Mats (4)
- Quick Start Protocol (1)

## SAFETY WARNINGS

- ⚠ When working with chemicals, always wear a suitable lab coat, disposable gloves and protective goggles. For more information, please consult the appropriate safety data sheets (SDSs). These are available online in convenient and compact PDF format at [www.qiagen.com/safety](http://www.qiagen.com/safety) where you can find, view and print the SDS for each QIAGEN kit and kit component.

**Solution C5-D is flammable after addition of ethanol.**

**DO NOT add bleach or acidic solutions directly to the sample preparation waste.**

PowerBead Solution and Solution C4 contain guanidine salts, which can form highly reactive compounds when combined with bleach. If liquid containing these buffers is spilt, clean with a suitable laboratory detergent and water. If the spilt liquid contains potentially infectious agents, clean the affected area first with laboratory detergent and water, and then with 1% (v/v) sodium hypochlorite.

## BEFORE START INSTRUCTIONS


Important points before starting:

- If Solution C1 has precipitated, heat at 60°C until precipitate dissolves.
- Prepare solution C5-D by adding an equal volume (120 ml) of 100% ethanol. Mix well.


## Sample preparation & cell lysis


1h 12m 5s

### 1 REMOVE Spare Well Mat from a PowerBead Plate

ADD up to  .25 g of soil sample

#### Note

Avoid cross contamination between sample wells. This is an appropriate stopping point. PowerBead Plate can be stored at  2-8 °C covered with the Square Well Mat


2 **ADD**  750 µL of PowerBead Solution to the wells of the PowerBead Plate


**ADD**  60 µL of Solution C1

3 **SECURE** the Square Well Mat tightly to the plate

20m

**PLACE** PowerBead Plate with the mat securely fastened between 2 Adapter Plates on a 96 well plate shaker or a TissueLyzer II

**SHAKE** at speed 20 Hz for  00:10:00

**RE-ORIENT** plates so the side that was closest to the machine body is now furthest from it and shake again at speed 20 Hz for  00:10:00

4 **CENTRIFUGE** at  4500 x g for  00:06:00 at  Room temperature

6m

**DISCARD** the Square Well Mat


**TRANSFER** supernatant to a clean 1 mL Collection Plate

#### Note

Supernatant may still contain some soil particles

## Inhibitor removal



1h 12m 5s

5 **ADD**  250 µL of Solution C2

10m 5s

**APPLY** Sealing Tape to the plate

**VORTEX** for  00:00:05

**INCUBATE** at  2-8 °C for  00:10:00

#### Note

You can skip the 10 min incubation. However, if you have already validated DNeasy PowerSoil extractions with the incubation, it is recommended to retain this step

6 **CENTRIFUGE** the plate at  4500 x g for  00:06:00 at  Room temperature

6m


**DISCARD** Sealing Tape

**AVOIDING** the pellet, transfer the entire volume of supernatant to a new 1 mL Collection Plate

7 **APPLY** Sealing Tape to plate

10m 5s

**VORTEX** for  00:00:05

**INCUBATE** at  2-8 °C for  00:10:00

8 **CENTRIFUGE** the plate at  4500 x g for  00:06:00 at  Room temperature


6m

**DISCARD** Sealing Tape

**AVOIDING** the pellet, transfer the entire volume of supernatant to a new 1 mL Collection Plate

## Bind DNA

30m

9 **ADD**  200 µL of Solution C3


**REPEAT** steps 7-8 once

10 **APPLY** Sealing Tape to the plate

6m


**CENTRIFUGE** again at  4500 x g for  00:06:00 at  Room temperature

**TRANSFER** no more than  650 µL of supernatant to a 2 mL Collection Plate

11 **ADD**  650 µL of Solution C4 to each well of the plate


**REPEAT** to add  1300 µL total

### Note

You can pause here and store samples covered with Sealing Tape at  2-8 °C

12 **PIPET** samples up and down to mix

**PLACE** a spin plate onto an S-Block

- 13** **LOAD** approximately  650 µL into each well of the spin plate and seal the plate with an AirPore Tape Sheet 3m

**CENTRIFUGE** at  4500 x g for  00:03:00 at  Room temperature

**DISCARD** flow-through and place the spin plate back on the same S-Block

**DISCARD** AirPore Tape Sheet


- 14** **REPEAT** step 13 until all the supernatant has been processed

**DISCARD** the final flow-through

**PLACE** the spin plate back on the same S-Block

## Wash spin plate

30m

- 15** **ADD**  500 µL of Solution C5-D to each well of the spin plate and seal the plate with an AirPore Tape Sheet 3m

**CENTRIFUGE** at  4500 x g for  00:03:00 at  Room temperature

**DISCARD** flow-through and place the spin plate back on the same S-Block



**SEAL** with an AirPore Tape Sheet

- 16** **CENTRIFUGE** again at  4500 x g for  00:05:00 at  Room temperature 5m

**DISCARD** flow-through

**CAREFULLY** place the spin plate onto Racked Elution Microtubes

**DISCARD** AirPore Tape Sheet

- 17** **ALLOW** to air dry for  00:10:00 at  Room temperature 10m

## Elute the DNA

30m

18 **ADD**  100 µL of Solution C6 to the center of each well

**SEAL** plate with an AirPore Tape Sheet

19 **CENTRIFUGE** at  4500 x g for  00:03:00 at  Room temperature





3m

**DISCARD** the AirPore Tape Sheet

20 **SEAL** Elution Microtubes with the Caps provided

**DNA is now ready for downstream applications**

**Note**

Qiagen recommends storing DNA frozen (  -15 °C to  30 °C or  -65 °C to  90 °C ) as Solution C6 does not contain EDTA