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Abstract

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- 1 **Thaw and Resuspend Cells** - Thaw cells stored in TRIzol (15596026, Invitrogen). -Resuspend cells in 1 mL of TRIzol.
- 2 **Add Chloroform** - Add 200 µL of chloroform to the samples.
- 3 **Centrifuge Samples** - Centrifuge the samples at 12,000 g for 15 minutes at 4°C.
- 4 **Collect Aqueous Phase** - Carefully collect the aqueous phase.
- 5 **Precipitate RNA** - Add GlycoBlue Coprecipitant (AM9515, Invitrogen) and isopropanol to precipitate the RNA.
- 6 **Wash RNA Pellet** - Wash the RNA pellet with 75% ethanol.
- 7 **Dry and Resuspend RNA** - Air-dry the RNA pellet. - Resuspend the RNA in 40 µL of nucleasefree water.
- 8 **Isolate RNA** - Isolate the RNA using the Zymo Research RNA Clean & Concentrator-5 Kit (R1014, Zymo).
- 9 **Quantify RNA** - Quantify the RNA using the Qubit RNA HS Assay Kit (Q32852, Invitrogen).
- 10 **Equalize RNA Concentrations** - Dilute the RNA to equalize concentrations.
- 11 **Generate cDNA Libraries** - Use the qScript cDNA SuperMix (101414-102, VWR) for cDNA library preparation. - Follow this temperature profile: - 25°C for 5 minutes - 42°C for 30 minutes -85°C for 5 minutes
- 12 **Dilute and Store cDNA** - Dilute the resulting cDNA threefold. - Store the cDNA at -80°C.