Protocol for DNA Extraction from CCZ Sediment Samples

MP Bio FastDNA SPIN Kit for Soil protocol is modified to obtain higher yield (Vonnahme et al., 2020); changed steps are bold on Laboratory Procedure part.

General equipment and supplies:

- Racks for tubes (more the merrier)
- Lysing Matrix E (provided with kit)
- Precision scale
- Water-bath or heating block (water-bath is preferable)
- Micro-centrifuge (max. 14000X G is required)
- 2ml sterile micro-centrifuge tubes.
- 15 ml sterile centrifuge tubes.
- SPIN Filters (provided by kit)
- 2 ml sterile catch tubes (provided by kit)
- Set of pipettes and tips (10-1000 μ l)

Reagents and Solutions:

NOTE: Solutions and reagents are provided by kit, but SEWS-M solution should be diluted by using 100% Ethanol when kit is opened. All solutions are stored at room temperature.

- Sodium Phosphate Buffer
- MT Buffer
- PPS (Protein Precipitation Solution)
- Binding Matrix suspension
- SEWS-M
- DES (DNAse/Pyrogen-Free Water)
- 70% Ethanol for cleaning
- 100% Ethanol for dilution of SEWS-M

DNA Extraction from Muddy Sediment with

- 1) Add 500 mg of sample to Lysing Matrix E Tube
- 2) Add 978 µL Sodium Phosphate buffer to sample in Lysing Matrix E Tube
- 3) Add 122 µL MT Buffer
- 4) Incubate sample and buffers for 15 minutes at room temperature (optional)
- 5) Homogenize sample in the FastPrep instrument for 60 seconds at a speed setting of 4.0 m/s
- 6) Incubate the sample at 65°C for 10 minutes
- 7) Centrifuge at 14000X G for 10 minutes
- 8) Transfer Supernatant (ca. $1250 \,\mu\text{L}$ is expected) to a $2.0 \,\text{mL}$ microcentrifuge tube (use autoclaved tubes from house).
- 9) Add 250 µL PPS (Protein precipitation solution), inverse the tube **20 times.**

10) 5 Minutes incubation on ice

- 11) Centrifuge at 14000X G for 5 minutes.
- 12) Take supernatant into a new tube.

- **13) Repeat steps 9, 10.**
- 14) Centrifuge at 14000X G for 5 minutes.
- 15) Transfer Supernatant to a 15 ml microcentrifuge tube.
- 16) Resuspend the binding matrix suspension and add 1.0 mL to the supernatant in the 15 mL tube.
- 17) Invert sample and binding matrix for 4 minutes, after inversion wait another 5 minutes for resettling.
- 18) Remove and discard 550 µL of upper phase. Be careful to not to disturb settled matrix.
- 19) Gently resuspend Binding matrix in the remaining amount of upper phase.
- 20) Transfer **780** µL of the mixture to a SPIN filter.
- 21) Centrifuge at 14000X G for 1 minute.
- 22) Discard the flow-through, and replace the SPIN filter.
- 23) Repeat steps 19 to 21 until all mixture is passed through the column. (780, 680, 680 μL)
- 24) Add 500 µL prepared SEWS-M and gently resuspend by using flow of the liquid.
- 25) Centrifuge at 14000X G for 1 minute.
- 26) Discard the flow-through, and replace the SPIN filter.
- 27) Centrifuge at 14000X G for 2 minutes.
- 28) Discard the catch tube and put the tube in a new catch tube (it will be the final tube with sample, beware centrifuge tubes from the house is not suitable for that part, use tubes provided by kit).
- 29) Air dry the SPIN filter for 5 minutes at room temperature.
- 30) Resuspend the binding matrix (which is the SPIN filter tube) with 50 µL of DES (Dnase/Pyrogen free Water)
- 31) Incubate at 55°C for 5 minutes.
- 32) Centrifuge at 140000X G for 2 minutes.
- 33) Place flow-thorugh on filter again, resuspend gently. Replace the SPIN filter in the same tube.
- 34) Incubate in RT for 5 Minutes
- 35) Centrifuge at 140000X G for 2 minutes.
- 36) Keep DNA at -20°C for downstream applications.