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SPEEDTOOLS FOOD DNA EXTRACTION KIT

Designed for the rapid isolation of highly pure genomic DNA from food samples of plant or animal origin

Instructions for Use (Ref. 21.175/6/7)

PLEASE READ THE INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE THOROUGHLY BEFORE USING THE KIT, ESPECIALLY IF YOU ARE NOT FAMILIAR WITH THE PROTOCOL.



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1. BASIC PRINCIPLE

SPEEDTOOLS FOOD DNA EXTRACTION KIT is designed for the rapid isolation of highly pure genomic DNA from **food samples** (plant or animal origin).

Food samples are very heterogeneous and contain different compounds like fat, cocoa, or polysaccharides, which can lead to suboptimal extraction or subsequent processing of DNA. **Speedtools Food DNA Extraction kit** guarantees good recovery for small genomic DNA fragments (<1 kb) out of processed, complex food matrices (e.g., ketchup or spices), which generally have very low DNA contents, as well as poor quality, degraded DNA. Because of this, we recommend the selection of primers, which amplify only short DNA fragments (80-150 bp).

After the food samples have been homogenised, the DNA can be extracted with lysis buffers containing chaotropic salts, denaturing agents, and detergents. The standard isolation ensures lysis using Buffer BCF/Proteinase K. Lysis mixtures should be cleared by centrifugation or filtration in order to remove contaminants and residual cellular debris. The clear supernatant is then mixed with binding buffer and ethanol to create conditions for optimal binding to the silica membrane. After washing with two different buffers (Buffer BCQW and Buffer BC5) for efficient removal of potential PCR inhibitors, DNA can be eluted in low salt buffer (Buffer BCE) or water, and is ready-to-use for subsequent reactions.

2. KIT CONTENTS

REAGENTS	10 Preps Ref. 21.175	50 Preps Ref. 21.176	250 Preps Ref. 21.177
Buffer BCF	12 mL	100 mL	5 x 100 mL
Buffer BC4	10 mL	30 mL	5 x 30 mL
Buffer BC5 (concentrate)	6 mL	12 mL	5 x 12 mL
Buffer BCQW	6 mL	30 mL	5 x 30 mL
Buffer BCE	13 mL	13 mL	5 x 13 mL
Proteinase K (lyophilized)	1.2 mg	6 mg	5 x 6 mg
Proteinase Buffer	1.8 mL	1.8 mL	5 x 1.8 mL
Speedtools Food Columns (plus Collecting Tubes)	10 50		5 x 50
Collecting Tubes for the column	1	150	5 x 150
Protocol	1	1	5 x 1

3. KIT SPECIFICATIONS

With the SPEEDTOOLS FOOD DNA EXTRACTION method genomic **DNA is purified from food** samples from plant or animal origin.

The Kit can be used for the **purification of GMO-DNA** and the **purification of DNA from animal origin in food and feed samples**.



Table 1. Kit specifications		
Sample material	5-200 mg	
Yield	0.1-10 µg	
Elution Volume	100 µL	
Binding Capacity	30 µg	
Time / Prep	30 min/ 6 prep	
Fragment Size	>300 bp	
Column Type	mini	

- Sample material: Standard procedure allows processing of up to 200 mg of material in processed food due to the low DNA content of the samples.
- Lysis buffer: The BCF buffer was tested for extraction of DNA from various types of samples including food of plant and animal origin (see Table 2) and appropriate culture medium. Some samples may require to adapt the standard protocol, please contact to our Technical Department (info@biotools.eu).
- Extraction of bacterial DNA in food samples: We recommend an overnight pre-culture of sample and appropriate culture medium. Centrifuge an aliquot of the culture and start the preparation with the bacterial pellet.
- Treatment with RNase A: RNasa A (not included in the kit) addition may be recommended for RNA-rich samples. Add 10 µL (20 mg/mL stock solution) per 550 µL lysis buffer in step 2 of the protocol or perform an RNasa A digestion in the eluate before further use.
- **Use of vacuum manifold:** A vacuum manifold can optionally be used for acceleration of washing steps. Loading and elution steps should be done by centrifugation as described in the protocol.
- GMOs detection: According to local law regulations different amounts of sample have to be analysed for GMO detection, for example up to 1-2 g of sample can be used with upscaled lysis buffer (BCF buffer) volume. We recommend using a single 300 µL aliquot of the clear supernatant for further processing with the kit. Otherwise, prepare 2 aliquots as described in the protocol and load them step by step onto the column.

Table 2. Positive Tested Samples			
FOOD	• Raw products: maize, soya, rape, etc. (powder or oil*)		
from plant origin	Chocolate products, cocoa, nougat products		
	Breakfast cereals, muesli, nut/chocolate spread		
	Jam and fruit concentrates		
	Cookies, cakes and biscuits		
	• Pollen		
	• Lecithin		
	• Spices*		
	• Bread		
FOOD from animal origin	• Raw and processed products (meat, sausage, pie)		
PHARMACEUTICALS	Plant (starch) compounds in pharmaceuticals (e.g. tablets)Vitamins (e.g. pills)		
COSMETICS	• Plant and animal ingredients in crème or powder		
BACTERIA	Starter Cultures		

*Standard protocol must be adapted contact our Technical Dept. (info@biotools.eu)



4. HOMOGENISATION AND LYSIS OF SAMPLES

The lysis procedure is most effective when well homogenised, powdered samples are used. This can be achieved with:

- ✓ **Pestle** and mortar in the presence of liquid nitrogen.
- ✓ Commercial homogenisers, for example bead mills.
- ✓ Steel beads (diameter: 7 mm). Put 4.5 beads and food material together in a 15 mL plastic tube, chill the tube in liquid nitrogen (keep the material frozen throughout the whole homogeneisation procedure) and vortex for about 30 sec. Repeat this chilling and vortexing procedure until the entire sample is ground to a powder. Chill the tube once more and remove the beads by rolling them out gently or using a magnet. Keep the material frozen throughout the whole homogenisation procedure.

Regarding lysis, the protocol includes slight differences depending on the sample origin:

- ✓ Fluid samples such as ketchup, sauce and similar fluid samples (200 mg equivalents) can be mixed with lysis Buffer BCF (500-1000 µL) and incubated with Proteinase K as described in the protocol.
- Powdered hygroscopic samples, more lysis Buffer BCF than indicated in the protocol can be used until the lysis solution is at least semi fluid and can be pipetted. Extraction can be improved by pre-incubation of sample with lysis Buffer BCF for 1-2 hours.

5. ELUTION PROCEDURES

It is possible to adapt elution method and volume of elution buffer to the subsequent application of interest:

- **High yield:** Perform two elution steps with 2 x 100 µL of Elution Buffer BCE and combine eluates. About 90-100% of bound nucleic acid can be eluted with this protocol.
- **High concentration:** Perform one elution step with minimal volumes of Buffer BCE (**25-50 µL**). About **60-80%** of bound DNA can be eluted, resulting in highly concentrated eluates.

Elution **Buffer BCE** can be replaced by **TE Buffer** or **water**. If water is used, the pH should be checked and adjusted to pH 8-8.5 since deionized water usually exhibits a pH below 7.

6. PREPARATION OF WORKING SOLUTIONS AND STORAGE CONDITIONS

Note: Buffers BC4 and BCQW contain guanidine hydrochloride which can form highly reactive compounds when combined with sodium hypochlorite. Do not add sodium hypochlorite or acid solutions directly to the sample-preparation waste.

- ✓ All kit components can be stored **at room temperature** (18-25°C) through the expiration date printed on the packaging label.
- ✓ If there any precipitate present in the buffers, warm the buffer to 25-37°C to dissolve the precipitate before use.

Before starting any protocol prepare the following reagents:

I. Proteinase K:

- ✓ 10 Preps Format: Add 120 μL of Proteinase Buffer to dissolve the lyophilized Proteinase K.
- ✓ 50 Preps Format: Add 600 µL of Proteinase Buffer to dissolve the lyophilized Proteinase K.

The resulting solution is stable for **6 months** at -20° C.

II. Buffer BC5:

- ✓ 10 Preps Format: Add 24 mL of ethanol (96-100%) to the Buffer BC5 concentrate. Mark the label of the bottle to indicate that ethanol was added.
- ✓ 50 Preps Format: Add 48 mL of ethanol (96-100%) to the Buffer BC5 concentrate. Mark the label of the bottle to indicate that ethanol was added.

Store the diluted Buffer BC5 at 18-25°C for at least **12 months**.



7. REAGENTS AND EQUIPMENT REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

Wear a lab coat, disposable gloves, and protective goggles.

- Appropriate equipment for sample homogenization if required e.g. mortar and pestle, commercial homogenizers, steel beads, etc.
- Microcentrifuge
- Water bath/Incubator
- Vortex
- Ethanol 96-100%
- Microcentrifuge tubes (1.5 ml and 2 ml)
- RNase solution (20 mg/ml)

8. INSTRUCTION FOR USE

Before starting the preparation:

- Check if Buffer BC5 and Proteinase K solution were prepared according to Section 6.
- Set an incubator or water bath to 65°C.
- Preheat Lysis Buffer BCF to 65°C and Elution Buffer BCE to 70°C.

STEP	DESCRIPTION		
1	HOMOGENIZATION OF SAMPLE Homogenize about 200 mg material with a commercial	Y	HOMOGENIZE SAMPLE
	homogenizer.		(200 mg)
2	LYSIS Transfer the resulting powder to a Collecting tube and add		
	550 μL Buffer BCF (preheated to 65 °C). Mix carefully during 15 sec, add 10 μL Proteinase K and mix again (2-3 sec).		+ 550 µL BCF (preheated 65⁰C)
	If the lysis buffer volume is not large enough to dissolve the sample completely add more buffer (and Proteinase K proportionally) until sample has been totally resuspended.		Mix + 10 µL Proteinase K
	Incubate at 65°C for 30 min . Afterwards, centrifuge the mixture for 10 min at > 10,000 x <i>g</i> to pellet contaminants and cell debris.	∇	Mix
	<u>Optional</u> : If RNA-free DNA is crucial for downstream applications an RNase digest may be performed: After incubation at 65 °C for 30 min, add 10 μ L RNase A (20 mg/ml) per 550 μ L lysis buffer, mix well, and incubate 30 min at room temperature. Proceed with the protocol with the centrifugation step.		65°C, 30 min 10 min, >10,000 x g
3	ADJUST DNA BINDING CONDITIONS	¥ ~	SUPERNATANT
	Transfer the clear supernatant into a new centrifuge tube. Add 1 VOL of Buffer BC4 plus 1 VOL ethano l (96-100%).		1 VOL BC4 + 1 VOL ETHANOL
	Vortex the mixture for 30 sec.	I V	Vortex
4	BIND DNA		
	For each preparation, take one Speedtools Food Column and placed in a Collecting tube (provided with the column). Load 700 μL of mixture onto the column.		Load mixture into a column
	Centrifuge 1 min at $11,000 \times g$. Discard flow-through. Repeat the procedure of load the remaining sample.		1 min, 11,000 × g



5	WASH and DRY SILICA MEMBRANE	
	 1st Wash Add 400 μL Buffer BCQW onto the column. Centrifuge 1 min at 11,000 x g. Discard flow-through and place the column back into the Collecting tube. 2nd Wash Add 700 μL Buffer BC5 onto the column. Centrifuge 1 min at 11,000 x g. Discard flow-through and place the column back into the Collecting tube 3rd Wash Add 200 μL Buffer BC5 onto the column. Centrifuge 2 min at 11,000 x g in order to remove Buffer BC5 completely. Discard flow-through. <i>Residual ethanol from Buffer BC5 may inhibit enzymatic reactions.</i> 	+ 400 μL BCQW 1 min, 11,000 × g + 700 μL BC5 1 min, 11,000 × g + 200 μL BC5 2 min, 11,000 × g
6	 ELUTE DNA Place the Speedtools Food Column in a new 1.5 ml centrifuge tube and add 100 µL of Buffer BCE (preheated to 70°C). Dispense buffer directly onto the column. Incubate 5 min at room temperature. Centrifuge 1 min at 11,000 x g. The eluate contains your pure DNA sample. For alternative elution procedures see Section 5. 	+ 100 μL BCE (preheated 70°C) Incubate 5 min RT 1 min, 11,000 × g



9. TROUBLESHOOTING

Problem	Possible cause and suggestions		
	Homogenization of food material was not sufficient		
	For most species we recommended grinding with steel beads or with commercial bead mills, mixers or homogenizers.		
	Incomplete lysis		
	To improve the yield the lysis could be prolonged up to overnight.		
	Sample contains too much RNA		
DNA yield is low	 Add 10-20 µL RNase A solution to the lysis buffer after heat incubation. If this is not successful, add the enzyme to the cleared lysate and incubate for 30 min at 37°C. 		
	Suboptimal elution of DNA from the column		
	 The DNA can be either eluted in higher volumes (up to 300 µL) or by repeating the elution step up to three times. Elution buffer must be preheated to 70°C prior to elution. 		
	• Also check the pH of the used elution buffer, which should be in the range of 8.0-8.5. To ensure correct pH, use supplied elution Buffer BCE.		
	Sample was contaminated with DNase		
DNA is degraded	Check working area and pipettes.		
, , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , , ,	Centrifugation speed was too high		
	• Centrifuge at the speed indicated in the protocol. Higher velocities and prolonged vortexing can lead to shearing of the DNA.		
DNA quality	Sample contains DNA-degrading contaminants (e.g. phenolic compounds, metabolites)		
is low	Repeat washing step with Buffer BCQW.		

10. ORDERING INFORMATION

SPEEDTOOLS KIT	10 PREPS	50 PREPS	250 PREPS
SPEEDTOOLS DNA EXTRACTION KIT	Ref. 21.130	Ref. 21.131	Ref. 21.132
SPEEDTOOLS TISSUE DNA EXTRACTION KIT	Ref. 21.135	Ref. 21.136	Ref. 21.137
SPEEDTOOLS RNA VIRUS EXTRACTION KIT	Ref. 21.140	Ref. 21.141	Ref. 21.142
SPEEDTOOLS FOOD DNA EXTRACTION KIT	Ref. 21.175	Ref. 21.176	Ref. 21.177
SPEEDTOOLS PLANT DNA EXTRACTION KIT	Ref. 21.170	Ref. 21.171	Ref. 21.172
SPEEDTOOLS TOTAL RNA EXTRACTION KIT	Ref. 21.210	Ref. 21.211	Ref. 21.212
SPEEDTOOLS PCR CLEAN-UP KIT	Ref. 21.200	Ref. 21.201	Ref. 21.202
SPEEDTOOLS PLASMID DNA PURIFICATION KIT	Ref. 21.220	Ref. 21.221	Ref. 21.222

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- 1. Product for research purposes and *in vitro uses* only.
- 2. No claim or representation is intended for its use to identify any specific microorganism or for clinical use.
- 3. It is rather the responsibility of the user to verify the use of the kit for a specific application range as the performance characteristic of this kit has not been verified for a specific organism or food type.
- 4. The kit includes documentation stating specifications and other technical information. Follow the instructions in order to obtain highly pure genomic DNA.
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