

TNArex Purification Kit Protocol - Fresh/Frozen Plant Tissue

Average Yield Range: 1-15 µg (DNA) or 0.5-3 µg (RNA)

Cell Lysis

1. Use 5-10 mg finely ground tissue (finely ground with a mortar and pestle in liquid nitrogen). Work quickly and keep tissue cold to minimize DNase activity.
Note: It may be necessary to vary the amount of starting material depending upon species, age, tissue preparation and genome size.
2. Add 300 µl of **TNA Lysis Solution** and 3 µl of **2-mercaptoethanol** to the leaf tissue.
3. Incubate cell lysate at 65°C for 15-45 minutes. Invert tube every 10 minutes.
4. For DNA isolation, proceed to **RNase Treatment** followed by **Protein Precipitation** and **TNA Precipitation**.
5. For RNA isolation, cool sample to room temperature. Proceed to **Modified Protein Precipitation Solution** and **TNA Precipitation**.

RNase Treatment

1. Add 1.5 µl of **RNase A Solution** to the cell lysate.
2. Mix the sample by inverting the tube 25 times and incubate at 37°C for 15 minutes.

Protein Precipitation

1. Cool sample to room temperature. Add 100 µl of **Protein Precipitation Solution** to the cell lysate.
2. Vortex vigorously at high speed for 20 seconds to mix the **Protein Precipitation Solution** uniformly with the cell lysate. Incubate on ice for 5 minutes.
3. Centrifuge at 13,000-16,000 x g for 10 minutes. The precipitated proteins will form a tight pellet. If the protein pellet is not tight, repeat centrifugation.

Modified Protein Precipitation

1. Add 100 µl of **Protein Precipitation Solution** to the cell lysate.
2. Invert tube gently 10 times and incubate on ice for 5 minutes.
3. Centrifuge at 13,000-16,000 x g for 10 minutes. The precipitated protein will form a tight pellet. If the protein pellet is not tight, repeat centrifugation.

TNA Precipitation

1. Transfer 300 µl of supernatant containing the TNA (leaving behind the pellet) into a clean 1.5 ml tube containing 300 µl of **100% Isopropanol**. Invert tube gently 50 times.
2. Centrifuge at 13,000-16,000 x g for 5 minutes. The DNA will be visible as a small white pellet.
3. Discard supernatant and drain tube briefly on a clean absorbent paper. Carefully pour off isopropanol.
4. Add 300 µl of **70% Ethanol** and centrifuge at 13,000-16,000 x g for 5 minutes. Carefully

pour off ethanol. *Pellet may be loose so pour slowly and watch pellet.*

5. Invert and drain the tube on clean absorbent paper. Allow to air dry for 15 minutes.

TNA Hydration

1. Add 40-50 μ l of **TNA Hydration Solution**.
2. For RNA and TNA hydration, incubate on ice for at least 30 minutes. For DNA hydration, incubate at 65 °C for at least 25 minutes. Gently tap tube every 15 minutes. Store RNA/TNA sample at -80°C and DNA at -20°C.