



DNA extraction from buccal swab



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Materials needed for extraction

1. Water bath.
2. Microcentrifuge.
3. Micropipettes with its tips.
4. Buccal swabs or Sterile cottons and Scissor.
5. Eppendorf tubes.
6. Lysis solution (mix 100 μ l detergent + 900 μ l distilled water)
7. Absolute isopropanol or ethanol.
8. Concentrated NaCl (salt).
9. TE buffer.
10. 70% Ethanol.
11. 10 μ l proteinase K

The procedure

1. Rub the swab over the inside of cheek for 20-30 seconds.
2. Place the swab into eppendorf tube. Then, cut the end of the swab to close the tube
3. With a micropipette, add 4 μ l of detergent, to lyse the cells and nuclear membrane.
4. Add 10 μ l of proteinase K, that degrade DNA-associated proteins (Histones).
5. Mix by inverting the tubes several times.
6. Place the tube into the warm bath (37°C) for 1 hour.
7. Add 100 μ l of concentrated salt (NaCl), to collect the DNA and bring it down.
Therefore separating it from the unwanted debris which going to clump together.
And mix well.
8. Place the tube in the microcentrifuge, and spin at 12,000 rpm for 10 min.
9. DNA is liquid form. So, use the micropipette carefully to remove the top liquid, and place it into a new centrifuge tube.
10. Add ice cold absolute ethanol or isopropanol about more than half the total volume in the tube to precipitate the DNA. Then, Invert the tube several times.
11. Spin at 12,000 rpm for 10 minutes.
12. Remove the liquid and wash pellet with 500 μ l of 70% ethanol.
13. Spin at 12,000 rpm for 10 minutes.
14. Discard the supernatant and allow the pellet to dry at RT.
15. To store DNA (pellet) , we can use TE buffer (prevent DNA digestion by nucleases).