

# Immunoprecipitation with Magnetic Dynabeads-Protein A/G

## Day 1: Binding of antibody to beads and pre-clearing of extract

1. Extract 700µg mitochondrial protein in 200µL extraction buffer for 45 minutes at 4°C with occasional vortexing. This amount is sufficient for two reactions: the IP of interest and the control IP.
2. Centrifuge for 40 min at 25,000g and collect supernatant.
3. Mix the 200µL mitochondrial extract with 20µL 0.1M Na-phosphate/0.08% Tween 20/0.05% tDOC pH 8 buffer and save 10µL ("pre-clear" fraction).
4. Prepare antibody solution by mixing serum and Na-phosphate pH 8 buffer to final volume of 100µL and final Na-phosphate concentration of 0.1M (80µL serum and 20µL 0.5 M Na-phosphate pH 8 buffer).
5. Resuspend magnetic beads by vortexing for 1-2 minutes.
6. To two Eppendorf tubes add 100µL beads/tube, and to a third tube add 200µL beads (room temperature). Place tubes on magnet and pipette off supernatant. The three tubes are required for the following reactions: binding of the antibody, pre-clearing of the extract and the control reaction.
7. Wash beads 3X with 0.1M Na-phosphate pH 8 buffer (0.5mL/100µL beads).
8. Resuspend washed beads in one of each of the following solutions:
  - a. 100µL antibody solution (prepared in step 4)/100µL beads
  - b. 210µL mitochondrial extract solution (prepared in step 3)/200µL beads
  - c. 100µL 0.1M Na-phosphate/0.08% Tween 20 pH 8 buffer (control)/100µL beads
9. Incubate tubes at 4°C overnight with rotational mixing.

## Day 2: Cross-linking of antibody to beads and immunoprecipitation

1. Place tube containing the antibody on magnet and pipette solution off beads (save solution if antibody is limited: it can be re-used for immunoblotting or for additional IP-s). Let the other two tubes rotate until later (step 10).
2. Wash beads 3X with 0.1M Na-phosphate/0.08% Tween 20 pH 8 buffer (0.5 ml/wash).
3. Wash beads 2X with 0.2M TEA/0.08% Tween 20 pH 8 (1mL/wash).
4. Prepare (FRESH) the cross-linker: 20mM DMP (dimethyl pimelimidate dihydrochloride) in 0.2M TEA/0.08% Tween 20 pH 8 (5.4mg/mL).
5. Incubate beads in 1ml of the 20mM DMP solution with rotational mixing for 30 minutes, at room temperature, in the dark.
6. Discard cross-linker and stop reaction by adding 1ml 50mM Tris/0.08% Tween 20 pH 7.5 and incubate for 15 minutes, at room temperature, with rotational mixing.
7. Wash 3X with PBS/0.08% Tween 20 pH 8 (1 ml/wash).

8. Remove antibody not cross-linked to the beads by eluting twice with 100 $\mu$ l 0.1M glycine/0.08% Tween 20 pH 2.5 and rotational mixing, at room temperature, for 10 minutes each time.
9. Wash 3X with PBS/0.08% Tween 20 pH 8 (1 ml/wash).
10. Place tubes containing the pre-cleared mitochondrial extract and control solution (see step 1) on magnet. Discard control solution and divide pre-cleared extract as follows: use 100 $\mu$ L to resuspend antibody cross-linked to the beads, 100 $\mu$ L to resuspend "control" beads and save remaining 10 $\mu$ L ("input" fraction).
11. Incubate the two tubes (actual IP and control IP) at 4 $^{\circ}$ C overnight, with rotational mixing.

### **Day 3: Elution of immunoprecipitate**

1. Place tubes on magnet and pipette solutions off beads (save: "unbound" fractions).
2. Wash beads in each tube with 200 $\mu$ L of 0.1M Na-phosphate /0.08% Tween 20 /0.05% tDOC pH 8 buffer and save wash solutions ("wash" fractions).
3. Wash 5X with 0.1M Na-phosphate /0.08% Tween 20/0.05% tDOC pH 8 buffer (1mL/wash).
4. Elute twice, each time with 100 $\mu$ L of 0.1M glycine/0.05% DDM pH 2.5, at room temperature, with rotational mixing, for 15 minutes.
5. Immediately restore physiological pH of each elution fraction by adding 20 $\mu$ L 1M Tris pH 7.5.
6. For both the control and the IP beads combine the two elution fractions (total volume 240 $\mu$ L) and add 36 $\mu$ L cold trichloroacetic acid (TCA) to precipitate protein.
7. Wash beads 2X with 0.1M Na-phosphate /0.08% Tween 20/0.05% tDOC pH 8 buffer (1ml/wash).
8. Elute any material still present on the beads with 50 $\mu$ L 1X Laemmli sample buffer (with or without  $\beta$ -mercaptoethanol, depending on the size of the protein of interest as compared to the sizes of the heavy and light chains of the antibody), for 10 min, at 55 $^{\circ}$ C.
9. Analyze fractions (pre-clear, input, unbound, wash and elutions under different conditions) by SDS-PAGE followed by immunoblotting.

## **SOLUTIONS:**

### **Extraction buffer (50mM HEPES, 150mM NaCl, 1% tDOC)**

50 $\mu$ L 1M HEPES pH 7.6

30 $\mu$ L 5M NaCl

100 $\mu$ L 10% tDOC

100 $\mu$ L 10X complete mini protease inhibitor

720 $\mu$ L Milli-Q H<sub>2</sub>O

### **0.1M and 0.5M Na-phosphate buffers, pH 8**

Mix 93.2mL 1M Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub> with 6.8ml 1M NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub> and add either 900mL Milli-Q H<sub>2</sub>O (to make 0.1M buffer) or 100mL Milli-Q H<sub>2</sub>O (to make 0.5M buffer).

For stock solutions:

1M Na<sub>2</sub>HPO<sub>4</sub>: 71g anhydrous salt in 500mL Milli-Q H<sub>2</sub>O

1M NaH<sub>2</sub>PO<sub>4</sub>: 69g monohydrate salt in 500mL Milli-Q H<sub>2</sub>O

### **0.2M triethanolamine, pH 8**

A triethanolamine buffer of this concentration and pH is available commercially

### **1M Tris-HCl, pH 7.5**

60.6g Tris in 500mL Mili-Q H<sub>2</sub>O, pH with concentrated HCl

### **0.1M glycine, pH 2.5**

3.76g glycine in 500mL Milli-Q H<sub>2</sub>O, pH with HCl

For solutions containing **0.08% Tween 20 and/or 0.05% DDM or tDOC** add:

-0.8 $\mu$ L/ml Tween 20

-5 $\mu$ L/mL of 10% DDM or tDOC