

MINI-PREP DNA

“Mini-prep” DNA is a term often used to describe the purity of the DNA more than the quantity.

A more precise name would be “alkaline lysis” miniprep DNA.
(higher quality DNA is “CsCl banded” or “Column purified”)

Types of MP DNA

		<u>Purity</u>
-MP DNA:	Alkaline Lysis prep followed by EtOH ppt.	> moderate
-Clean MP:	Alkaline Lysis followed by Phenol Chloroform and EtOH ppt.	> good
-Qiagen MP:	Alkaline Lysis followed by various types of Qiagen columns.	> sequencing grade

NOTES: Always start the growth of DNA from a single colony of a freshly streaked plate.
Grow a 1-5 ml Overnight culture to start, (overnight is a relative term: 8-16 hrs)
If you are making more DNA, seed a larger flask with this overnight stock.
Don't try growing 200+ mls from a single colony.

Alkaline Lysis:

A modification of the Ish-Horowitz Protocol, but the volumes of Solns I, II and III are identical.

Solutions are the same as for the Qiagen protocols:

P1	(Solution I)	-Stock 6.06g 3.72 g	Tris base Na₂ EDTA.2H₂O
		in 800 mls H ₂ O, then adjust the pH to 8.0 with HCL,	qs to 1000 w/ H ₂ O
		-before use, add 100 ug/ml NRAse A	
P2	(Solution II)	-dissolve 4.0 g NaOH pellets in 475 mls, H ₂ O	
		-Add 25 mls 20% SDS	
P3	(Solution III)	-dissolve 294.5g Potassium Acetate	
		In 500 mls H ₂ O (not more!!!!)	
		-then adjust the pH to 5.5 with Glacial Acetic Acid (approx.. 110 mls)	
		-Adjust volume to 1 liter with H ₂ O	

METHOD: -For 1-5 ml cultures use 250 ul of P1/P2/P3
-For larger cultures use 4 mls of each per 100-200 mls of LB used

1. Spin down bacteria and discard the media
2. **Add 250 ul P1**
3. Mix until all bacteria are resuspended
4. **Add 250 ul P2**
5. Mix gently and let stand 2-4 min (NOT longer than 5 min)
6. **Add 250 ul P3** (or 350ul N3 if QIAprep)
7. Mix gently
8. Place in micro fuge and spin 12000 rpm for 5 min.

9. **Transfer supernatant** to a fresh tube
10. **Add 700 ul Propanol**, Mix gently
11. Centrifuge 15 min at 12000 rpm
12. Remove supernatant and dry slightly
13. **Add 750 ul 70% EtOH**, Spin again
14. Remove supernatant and dry DNA pellet thoroughly
15. Resuspend in **50-100 ul TE** (use 5 ul for test digests)

“Clean” MP DNA

- 9b. To the transferred supernatant, Add 700 ul Phenol/CH₃Cl₄ (1:0.8)
- 9c. Mix vigorously, and Centrifuge 12000 rpm for 5 min
- 9d. Transfer supernatant to fresh tube and continue with step 10 above.