

**DNA extraction of Chlamydomonas using CTAB**

1. **CTAB/phenol extraction**
2. Preheat aliquot of CTAB buffer to 65°C.

| CTAB buffer                         | Stock        | Vol   |                         |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|-------|-------------------------|
| <b>50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0)</b>      | 1M           | 10ml  |                         |
| <b>20 mM EDTA</b>                   | 0.5M         | 4ml   |                         |
| <b>1.4 NaCl</b>                     | 5M           | 28ml  |                         |
| <b>2% CTAB</b>                      |              | 2g    |                         |
| <b>1 % PVP 40,000</b>               |              | 1g    |                         |
| <b>Nuclease-free H<sub>2</sub>O</b> |              |       |                         |
|                                     | <b>Total</b> | 100ml | (autoclave, store @ RT) |

3. Resuspend cells in 1ml of lysis buffer (Prepare before use).

| SDS-EB lysis buffer                 | Stock        | Vol    |        |
|-------------------------------------|--------------|--------|--------|
| <b>50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0)</b>      | 1M           | 50ul   |        |
| <b>200 mM NaCl</b>                  | 5 M          | 40ul   |        |
| <b>20 mM EDTA</b>                   | 0.5 M        | 40ul   |        |
| <b>Nuclease-free H<sub>2</sub>O</b> |              | 620ul  |        |
| <b>2% SDS</b>                       | 10%          | 200ul  |        |
| <b>Proteinase K (20mg/ml)</b>       |              | 50ul   | 1mg/ml |
|                                     | <b>Total</b> | 1000ul |        |

4. Mix well by inversion. (Do not vortex: to avoid potential shearing of DNA)
5. Add 1X volume of hot CTAB extraction buffer to cell pellet and incubate for 30mins at 65°C.
6. Add 1X volume of phenol: chloroform: isoamyl alcohol (25:24:1). Mix well.
7. (Use phase-lock gel for all extraction; spin condition 14000g, 5mins, RT).
8. Add 5ul RNase (100mg/ml) and incubate at RT for 20 minutes.
9. Extract 2X chloroform: isoamyl alcohol (24:1).
10. Transfer aqueous to a new microcentrifuge tube.
11. Add 2X volume cold ethanol to precipitate nucleic acid. Mix well.
12. Leave sample at -80°C for at least 30mins.
13. Centrifuge 13200rpm, 5mins at 4°C.
14. Wash pellet 2X with 1ml cold 70% ethanol.
15. Discard supernatant. Air dry pellet.
16. Resuspend pellet in 200ul TE/ EB overnight at 4°C.