Subject Separation of plasmid DNA using micro-ultracentrifuge

Model Preparative micro-ultracentrifuge, model: CS150GX

Separation of plasmid DNA with S140NT neo-angle rotor

In case of separation of plasmid DNA from E.coli with homogeneous solution of cesium chloride and ethidium bromide, ultracentrifugation for at least 2 hours with a 2ml volume tubes’ neo-angle rotor used to be needed. However, separation time has been shortened up to 80 min. by using a newly developed neo-angle rotor of which max. speed is 140,000rpm and max.g is 752,000 x g.

When a neo-angle rotor is used for separation of plasmid DNA, RNA can be securely precipitated at the bottom of the tube by using sodium N-lauroyl sarcosinate, polyoxyethylene(10) octylphenyl ether(Triton X-100), or polyoxyethylene(23) lauryl ether(Brij 35).

Results of separation
- Rotor : S140NT neo-angle rotor
- Tube : 2PA Cone-Top tube *
- Run condition: Normal mode run

| rpm | 140,000 | 80min | 20˚C |

Cesium chloride : Density=1.58g/ml (50% (w/w))
Ethidium bromide (10mg/ml) : 40µl
10% Sodium N-lauroyl sarcosinate : 20µl
TE buffer including plasmid DNA (pH 8.0)
Total : app. 1.8ml

Before centrifugation

After centrifugation

DNA fragment
Plasmid DNA
RNA
Separation conditions

(1) conditions of centrifugation

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(2) Tube used
2PA Cone-Top tube *

(3) Sample preparation
Sample is the TE solution (10mM Tris-HCl, 1mM EDTA, pH8.0) including roughly separated plasmid DNA which was treated by alkaline-SDS method after cultivating E.coli. JM109 containing the plasmid DNA, e.g. pUC19DNA, over night.

Sample : 1.48ml  
Cesium chloride : 1.52g  
Ethidium bromide (10mg/ml) : 40µl  
Polyoxyethylene (10) octylphenyl ether (Triton X-100) : 1-2µl  
or  
10% sodium N-lauroyl sarcosinate : 10 - 20µl  
or  
10% polyoxyethylene (23) lauryl ether (Brij 35) : 10 - 20µl

Mix above contents and insert them into a seal tube. If they can not be filled up (If there is an empty space) inside the tube, supplementary liquid (cesium chloride 1g dessolved per TE buffer 1ml) should be added to fill it up. Then, seal the tube with a tube sealer, STF-1.

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