

HIGH EFFICIENCY TRANSFORMATION

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Matériel et Solution :

- Liquid and plate media
- 0.1M LiOAc
- ssDNA
- PEG 3500 50% w/v
- H₂O nano sterile

Méthode :

1. From a culture 10 ml of cells, dilute at $5 \cdot 10^6$ cell/ml in 50ml for PCR fragment or 25mL for plasmid of YPD, stay 4h at 30°C.
2. When the cell titer is at least 2×10^7 cells/ml, harvest 50 ml of cells by centrifugation at 3000 g for 5 min (Beckman Coulter Avanti J-20 XP centrifuge, rotor JS-5.3, 3513 rpm).
3. Wash the cells in 25 ml of sterile water + 10 ml of 0.1M LiOAc, centrifuge and resuspend the cell in 1 ml of 0.1M LiOAc.
4. Boil a **XX** ml sample of ssDNA for 10 min and chill in an ice/water bath while harvesting the cells.
5. Transfer the cell suspension to a 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube, centrifuge at 10,000 rpm for 30 sec and discard the supernatant.
6. Add 0.1M LiOAc to a final volume of 1.0 ml for PCR fragment or 500 µl for plasmid (Eppendorf mark of 1 ml) and mix to resuspend cells.

7. Pipette 100 μl samples for PCR fragment or 50 μl for plasmid (ie. 1×10^8 cells) into 1.5 ml microfuge tubes, one for each transformation, centrifuge at 10,000 rpm for 30 sec and remove the supernatant.
8. Make up sufficient *Transformation Mix* for the planned number of transformations.

TRANSFORMATION MIX	1x	10x
PEG 3500 50% w/v	240 μl	2400 μl
LiOAc 1.0 M	36 μl	360 μl
Boiled ssDNA	50 μl	500 μl
DNA & Water (DNA: 3 μg min; Plasmid: 500-100ng)	34 μl	---
TOTAL	360 μl	3600 μl
		326 $\mu\text{l}/\text{tube}$

9. Add 326 μl of *Transformation Mix* to each transformation tube containing 34 μl of DNA. Use this mixture to resuspend the cells up and down with pipette (not forget H_2O as negative control). Use 10 μl of PCR + 24 μl of water.
10. Incubate the tubes in a 30°C water bath for 45 min.
11. Incubate the tubes in a 42°C water bath for 30 min.
12. Microcentrifuge at 10,000 rpm for 30 sec and remove the Transformation Mix with a micropipettor.
13. Add 600 μl of H_2O into each tube; stir the pellet with a blue tip (We like to be a gentle as possible at this step if high efficiency is important. Excessive washing washes away transformants).

14. Plate 100, 200 and what's left μ l (PCR fragment) or 50, 350 and what's left (plasmid) of the cell suspension onto plate with appropriate media.

15. Incubate the plates at 30°C for 3 days.

Conseil:

Avec 50 ml de culture pour un fragment de PCR ou bien 25ml de culture pour un plasmide on peut faire 10 transformations.