

Appendix 2

Buffers, Solution, Media Composition and Suppliers

Buffers

Electrophoresis 10X TAE (Tris-acetate-EDTA)

48.4g of Tris-base was added to 11.42ml of glacial acetic acid and 20ml of 0.5M EDTA, adjusted to pH 8.0 and made up to 1L with H₂O

Loading Buffer

0.25% [w/v] of bromophenol blue or 0.25% [w/v] xylene cyanol, 30% [v/v] glycerol were dissolved in H₂O and stored at 4°C

Cracking Buffer (to test bacterial cells after ligation)

2ml of 5M NaOH, 2.5ml of 10% [w/v] SDS, 10g of sucrose were added to a sterile bottle and the total volume was made up to 50ml with sterile dH₂O. Bromocresol green was added until a blue colour developed

Lysis Buffer

50mM glucose and 25mM Tris-HCl adjusted to pH 8.0 were added to 10mM EDTA

Trapping Buffer

0.6M sorbitol was added to 100mM Tris-HCl at pH 7.0

20X SSC

175.3g of NaCl, 88.2g of Sodium Citrate were dissolved in 1L of dH₂O and adjusted to pH 7.0

Denaturing Solution

0.5M NaOH and 1.5M NaCl dissolved in 1L of dH₂O

Neutralizing Solution

0.5M Tris brought to pH 7.4 with HCl and 3M NaCl made up to 1L with dH₂O

20X SSPE

175.3g NaCl, 27.6g NaH₂PO₄-H₂O and 7.4 g of EDTA was dissolved in 1L of dH₂O, adjusted to pH 7.4 with 10N NaOH

Transfer Buffer

288g glycine, 60.4 g Tris base were dissolved in 200ml of methanol and 1.8L of dH₂O

5 X Running Buffer

15g Tris, 72g Glycine and 5g of SDS

10 X TBS

9 % NaCl, 100 mM Tris, pH 7.4

TBST

1 X TBS + 0.1 % Tween 20

Gel Stain

1g Coomassie Blue dye R-250 was dissolved in 450ml Methanol, 450ml dH₂O and 100 ml AcCOOH

PAGE Destain

900 ml Ethanol, 900 ml DW, 200 ml AcCOOH

APS

10% Ammonium Persulfate was dissolved in sterile dH₂O and left at -4°C for a fortnight

Solutions

Proline Stock

11.51g of proline powder was added to 100ml of dH₂O and filter filtered

Luria and glycerol

20ml of glycerol was added to 100ml of Luria Broth and autoclaved

NaNO₂ Stock

34.5g of NO₂ powder was added to 500ml of dH₂O and filter filtered

NaNO₃ Stock

89.44g of NO₃ powder was added to 500ml of dH₂O and filter filtered

NH₄ Tartrate Stock

92.07g of NH₄ powder (FW 184.15) was added to 500ml of dH₂O. Filter filtered

p-aminobenzoic acid (paba)

0.1mg of paba was dissolved in 1ml of dH₂O and filter filtered

Vitamins

400mg of paba was added to 50mg aneurin, 100mg inositol, 100mg nicotinic acid, 200mg ca. pantothenate, 50mg pyridixine (Pyro), 100mg riboflavin, 1.4g choline chloride, 10ml biotin stock and made up to 1L of dH₂O and kept in a dark bottle at -4°C.

1X STC (Sorbitol Tris Calcium)

1.2M sorbitol and 10mM Tris-HCl at pH 7.5 was added to 10mM CaCl₂ and sent to autoclave

2X STC

2.4M sorbitol and 20mM Tris-HCl at pH 7.5 was added to 20mM CaCl₂ and sent to autoclave

Osmotic Medium (OSMO)

1.2M MgSO₄ was added to 1ml of 1M NaOP at pH 7.0. The pH was adjusted to 5.8 with 0.2M Na₂HPO₄ and filter filtered

Trace Element

400mg of MnCl₂·4H₂O was added to 1g ZnSO₄, 0.5g of CuSO₄, 1.1g of Na₂MoO₄·2H₂O, 0.5g of CoCl₂·6 H₂O, 0.5g of FeSO₄·7 H₂O, 1g of HBO₃, 3.72g of citric acid

Media

All media used were sterilised by autoclaving at 121°C for 20 minutes.

***Aspergillus Minimal* (Cove, 1966)**

10g of glucose was added to 1ml of trace element, 1.3g of KCl, 1.3g of MgSO₄·7H₂O, 3.8g of KH₂PO₄, made up to 1L of H₂O and adjusted to pH 6.5 with 5M KOH

***Aspergillus Complete* (Cove, 1966)**

10g of glucose was added to 1g yeast extract, 2g of peptone, 0.075g of adenine, 10ml of vitamin solution, 14g of agar, 10ml of casamino acids (added after melting the medium), made up to 1L of dH₂O and adjusted to pH 6.5 with 5M NaOH

Luria

10g of tryptone was added to 5g yeast extract, 10g of NaCl, made up to 1L of dH₂O and adjusted to pH 7.0 with 5M NaOH. For agar plates 15g/L of agar was added and for liquid media 15.5g of luria was dissolved into 1L of dH₂O

SOB (Super Optimal Broth)

20g of tryptone was added to 5g yeast extract, 0.5g of NaCl, 10ml of 250mM KCl, made up to 1L of dH₂O and adjusted to pH 7.0 with 5M NaOH. After autoclaving 5ml of sterile solution of 2M MgCl₂ was added before use

SOC (Super Optimal Broth with Catabolite repression)

20g of tryptone was added to 5g yeast extract, 0.5g of NaCl, 10ml of 250mM KCl, made up to 1L of dH₂O and adjusted to pH 7.0 with 5M NaOH. After autoclaving 20ml of sterile solution of 20mM glucose was added before use

Suppliers

| Name | Address |
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| Biogene | Kimbolton, UK |
| BioSpec | Bartlesville, USA |
| BDH | Poole, UK |
| Fermentas | York, UK |
| Fisher Scientific | Loughborough, UK |
| Fisson | Loughborough, UK |
| Fluka Biochemika | Buchs, Switzerland |
| GE Healthcare | Amersham, UK |
| GFS Chemicals | Powell, USA |
| ICN Biomedicals | San Fransico, USA |
| Invitrogen | Gibco Paisley, UK |
| Marligen | Ijamsville, USA |
| Melford | Ipswich, UK |
| Merck Chemicals | Nottingham, UK |
| Millipore | Watford, UK |
| New England Biolabs | Hitchin, UK |
| Novagen | Madison, USA |
| NovoBilabs, Novoindustries | |
| Novo Nordisk | Dihingen, Switzerland |
| Promega | Southampton, UK |
| Qiagen | Crawley, UK |
| Roche | East Sussex, UK |
| Santa Cruz | Calne, UK |
| Severn Biotech | Kidderminster, UK |
| Sigma Aldrich | Dorset, UK |
| Thistle | Glasgow, UK |
| VWR International | Lutterworth, UK |