



DNA pull-down Kit for Plant

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Instruction Manual (For Two Groups)

Sufficient reagents for 6T assays per kit.
Store at -20&4°C

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1. Experimental Principle

DNA pull-down technology is a powerful tool for studying DNA-protein interactions in vitro. This technique involves designing specific DNA probes targeting the region of interest, labeling them with desthiobiotin, and then allowing the labeled probes to bind to streptavidin conjugated to magnetic beads. After incubation with total protein extract, proteins that interact specifically with the DNA probes form bead-DNA probe-protein complexes. Non-specifically bound proteins are washed away, and the target DNA probe-protein complexes are eluted. Finally, protein types are identified via Western Blot or mass spectrometry (MS). A schematic diagram is shown in 1.1:

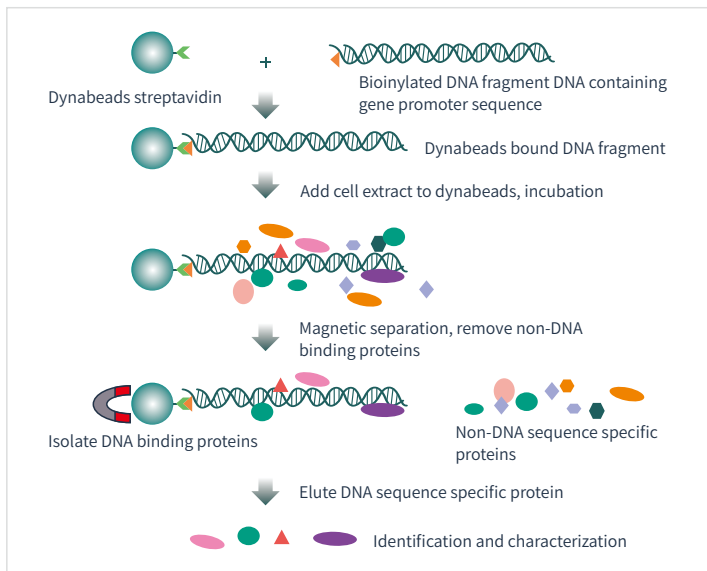
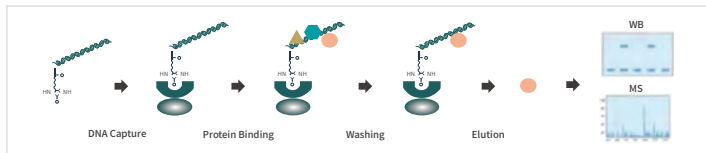


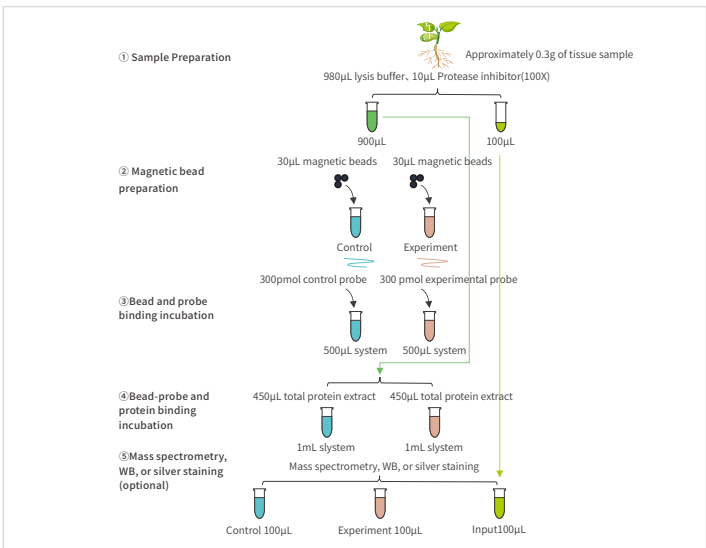
Figure 1.1 Schematic diagram of DNA pull-down

2. Experimental Procedure

2.1 Experimental Flowchart



2.2 Control Setup Flowchart



3. Kit Components

Component	Volume (6T)	Storage Condition
Plant Lysis buffer	9mL	4°C
Plant Protease inhibitor (100X)	35µL	-20°C
Nucleic dilution buffer	30mL	4°C
Protein dilution buffer	45mL	4°C
Nucleic-Acid Compatible Streptavidin Magnetic Beads	200µL	4°C
Elution buffer	800µL	Store at 4°C protected from light

Special note: 6T corresponds to 6 single-group (1 experimental group or 1 control group) immunoprecipitation experiments; the subsequent procedure includes one experimental group and one control group, consuming 2T of reagent.

4. Operating Steps

4.1 Total Protein Extraction

- ① Take cleaned plant tissue (approximately 0.3g), cut into small pieces, place in a sterilized and pre-cooled mortar, and grind to a powder using liquid nitrogen;
- ② Take 980 µL Plant Lysis buffer and 10 µL Plant Protease inhibitor (100X), mix well to prepare the lysis solution. Pipette 800 µL of the lysis solution into a mortar, continue grinding on ice for 5-10 min until the sample becomes a fine homogeneous slurry, then transfer to a new EP tube. Add the remaining 190 µL of lysis solution to the mortar to collect residual sample, and similarly transfer it to the same EP tube;
- ③ The EP tube containing the sample homogenate is fully lysed on ice for 30 min, with vortexing for 10 sec at 5-min intervals.
- ④ Sonicate using an ultrasonic cell disruptor for 12-15 min at 20% power, with a cycle of 3 sec on and 3 sec off, keeping the sample on ice throughout the procedure.

- ⑤ Centrifuge at 4°C, 12000 rpm for 10 min using a benchtop high-speed refrigerated centrifuge, collect the supernatant, then add Plant Lysis buffer to the supernatant to bring the total volume to 1 mL, and mix well.

Note: Perform the entire protein extraction process on ice to minimize protein degradation caused by high temperature; avoid bubble formation during sonication to reduce protein degradation. Store the total protein after lysis at -20°C.

4.2 Magnetic Bead Preparation and Washing

- ① Take the Nucleic-Acid Compatible Streptavidin Magnetic Beads from the 4°C refrigerator, invert several times to mix the bead storage solution, pipette 30 μ L each into two 1.5 mL Eppendorf tubes, labeled as control group and experimental group, place on a magnetic stand for 1min to separate the beads, and discard the supernatant;
- ② Add 500 μ L of Nucleic dilution buffer to both the control and experimental groups, resuspend the beads, place on a magnetic stand for 1min, and discard the supernatant. Repeat this step three times.

4.3 Bead Binding to DNA

- ① Add 100-300 pmol of biotin-labeled DNA probe to the experimental tube; add an equal amount of non-biotin-labeled DNA or none to the control tube; bring the volume to 500 μ L with Nucleic dilution buffer, and incubate at room temperature on a silent mixer for 2 hours;
- ② Remove the control and experimental tubes from the silent mixer, place them on a magnetic stand for 1 minute, and discard the supernatant;
- ③ Add 500 μ L of Nucleic dilution buffer to each control and experimental tube, resuspend the magnetic beads, place on the magnetic stand for 1 minute, discard the supernatant, and repeat this step 3 times.

4.4 DNA-Magnetic Bead Binding Protein

- ① Add 450 μ L of extracted protein to both the control and experimental tubes, supplement the volume to 1 mL with Protein dilution buffer, and incubate overnight (approximately 16 h) at 4°C on a silent mixer, reserving 100 μ L of lysate here as the Input group;
- ② Remove the control and experimental tubes from the silent mixer, place them on a magnetic stand for 1 min, and discard the supernatant;

- ③ Add 1 mL of Protein dilution buffer, resuspend the magnetic beads, place on the magnetic stand for 1 min, discard the supernatant, and repeat this step 5 times.

4.5 Elution Complex

- ① Add 100 μ L Elution buffer to both the control and experimental tubes, mix well, then incubate in a boiling water bath for 8- 10 min. Place on a magnetic stand for 2 min, transfer the supernatant to new EP tubes—these are the pull-down products, labeled as control and experimental groups. Add 20 μ L 6X Loading buffer to each of the two tubes, and boil in a water bath for 8-10 min.
- ② Reserve 100 μ L of lysate from the Input group, also add 20 μ L 6X Loading buffer, and boil in a water bath for 8-10 min.
- ③ Store the control, experimental, and Input groups at -20°C for future use. Subsequent steps may include silver staining, mass spectrometry identification, or WB detection.

5. Frequently Asked Questions

Q: After pull-down and silver staining verification, no desired target band is observed?

- ① The sample is degraded by proteases; the corresponding strategy is to add protease inhibitors, keep all operations on ice below 4°C , and avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- ② Insufficient biotin-labeled DNA added; the amount of biotin-labeled DNA can be increased.
- ③ The salt-alkalinity of the lysis buffer is too high; use a lysis buffer with lower salt-alkalinity.
- ④ Insufficient cell lysis buffer added; the amount of cell lysis buffer can be increased.

Silver staining is limited by the sensitivity of the experiment itself; even if the target protein is enriched, it may not be visible in silver staining. Silver staining primarily serves as a quality control measure to assess whether the entire experimental procedure is abnormal, such as the total protein amount after enrichment. It cannot determine the final mass spectrometry identification results, and it is generally recommended to rely on the mass spectrometry results.



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