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GENOMIC DNA PREPARATION FROM E. COLI CELLS

Adapted from Current Protocols in Molecular Biology (2.4.1-2.4.2)

- 1. Spin 3 ml from an overnight culture of *E. coli* cells at maximum speed in a microcentrifuge fro 2 minutes; discard the supernatant
- 2. Resuspend the cell pellet in 567 µl TE (10 mM Tris, 1 mM EDTA, pH 8.0)
- 3. Add 30 µl 10% SDS and 3 µl 20 mg/ml proteinase K; mix thoroughly and incubate 1 hr at 37°C
- 4. Add an equal volume of phenol:chloroform:isoamyl alcohol (25:24:1); mix well by shaking up and down vigorously (do not vortex); spin in microcentrifuge at maximum speed for 10 minutes
- 5. Transfer the aqueous top layer to a fresh microcentrifuge tube with a Pasteur pipette; add an equal volume of phenol:chloroform:isoamyl alcohol; mix well and microcentrifuge for 10 minutes
- 6. Transfer the aqueous top layer to a fresh microcentrifuge tube with a Pasteur pipette; add an equal volume of chloroform:isoamyl alcohol (24:1); mix well; centrifuge for 5 minutes
- 7. Transfer the aqueous top layer to a fresh microcentrifuge tube with a Pasteur pipette; add 1/10 volume of 3M sodium acetate pH 5.3; mix
- 8. Add 3 volumes of cold 95-100% ethanol; mix
- 9. Centrifuge at maximum speed for 15 minutes
- 10. Wash the DNA pellet with cold 70% ethanol; discard the supernatant
- 11. Dry the DNA pellet completely and resuspend in 100 μ l TE