

### Preparing Crude DNA Extract for PCR

\*\* For larger quantities of cells increase all amounts by appropriate fold difference\*\*

- 1) Collect 200ul of actively growing cells.
- 2) Transfer to 0.5 or 1.7ml epp. tube.
- 3) Spin down 15K for 30 sec.
- 4) Aspirate supernatant and resuspend in 60ul 0.2x PBS.
- 5) Incubate at 95° C for 15 min.
- 6) Add 6 ul Protease K at 10mg/ml.
- 7) 56° C for 1 hour.
- 8) 95° C for 30 mins.
- 9) Use 5 ul for PCR.

### In vitro Transcription/ Translation Protocol

- 1) Thaw out and mix DNA/ nuclease free water.  
(have a luc control reaction that is half the size of the sample reactions)
- 2) Thaw out Master mix quickly in your hand and then put on ice, add to DNA mix.
- 3) Add S35 to the mix and incubate at 30C for 2 hours.
- 4) While incubating pour an appropriate conc. SDS-Acrylamide gel.
- 5) For first time Transcript/Translate run 5 ul of product on gel, further times can run 2-3ul. Denature for 5 mins in 20 ul SDS loading buffer.
- 6) After running gel either immediately dry the gel or follow the Autofluor protocol outlined below.
- 7) Expose gel to IP plate over night.

### Autofluor/SDS-PAGE Gel Fixation Protocol

- 1) After electrophoresis, fix gel in 5% glacial acetic acid, 5% 2-propanol, 90% dH<sub>2</sub>O (approx. 20 ml) for 15-20 mins.
- 2) Decant and wash under continuously flowing tap water for 15 mins.
- 3) Cover with Autofluor/ tin foil and rock @ RT for 30 min / 1 of gel thickness.
- 4) Dry immediately for 30 mins at 80C.