

foodproof[®]

StarPrep[®] Three Kit

Salmonella plus *Cronobacter*

PRODUCT INSTRUCTIONS

Documentation for the rapid DNA extraction from
Salmonella and *Cronobacter* enrichment cultures
for direct use in PCR

Product No. KIT230187

foodproof®

StarPrep® Three Kit:

Salmonella plus Cronobacter

Store kit at 15 to 25 °C

FOR *IN VITRO* USE ONLY

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21 mL volume

Product Instructions:

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OVERVIEW

1. OVERVIEW

The foodproof® StarPrep® Three Kit is designed for the rapid preparation of DNA from gram-negative bacteria like *Salmonella* and *Cronobacter* for direct use in PCR. In less than 30 minutes, preparation with this lysis buffer yields PCR template DNA from enrichment cultures. The extracted DNA can be used directly in any PCR application. The StarPrep Three Lysis Buffer eliminates the need for hazardous organic extractions or chaotropic agents. The entire DNA preparation can be performed in a single tube, minimizing handling steps and exposure to hazardous material. The reduced number of handling steps saves time. Transfer steps of DNA-containing extracts are not necessary, thus cross-contamination risks are minimized.

1.1 General Information

Number of Reactions

The kit is designed for 96 reactions.

Storage Conditions

Store at 15 to 25 °C.

The components of the foodproof StarPrep Three Kit are guaranteed to be stable through the expiration date printed on the label.

1.2 Applicability

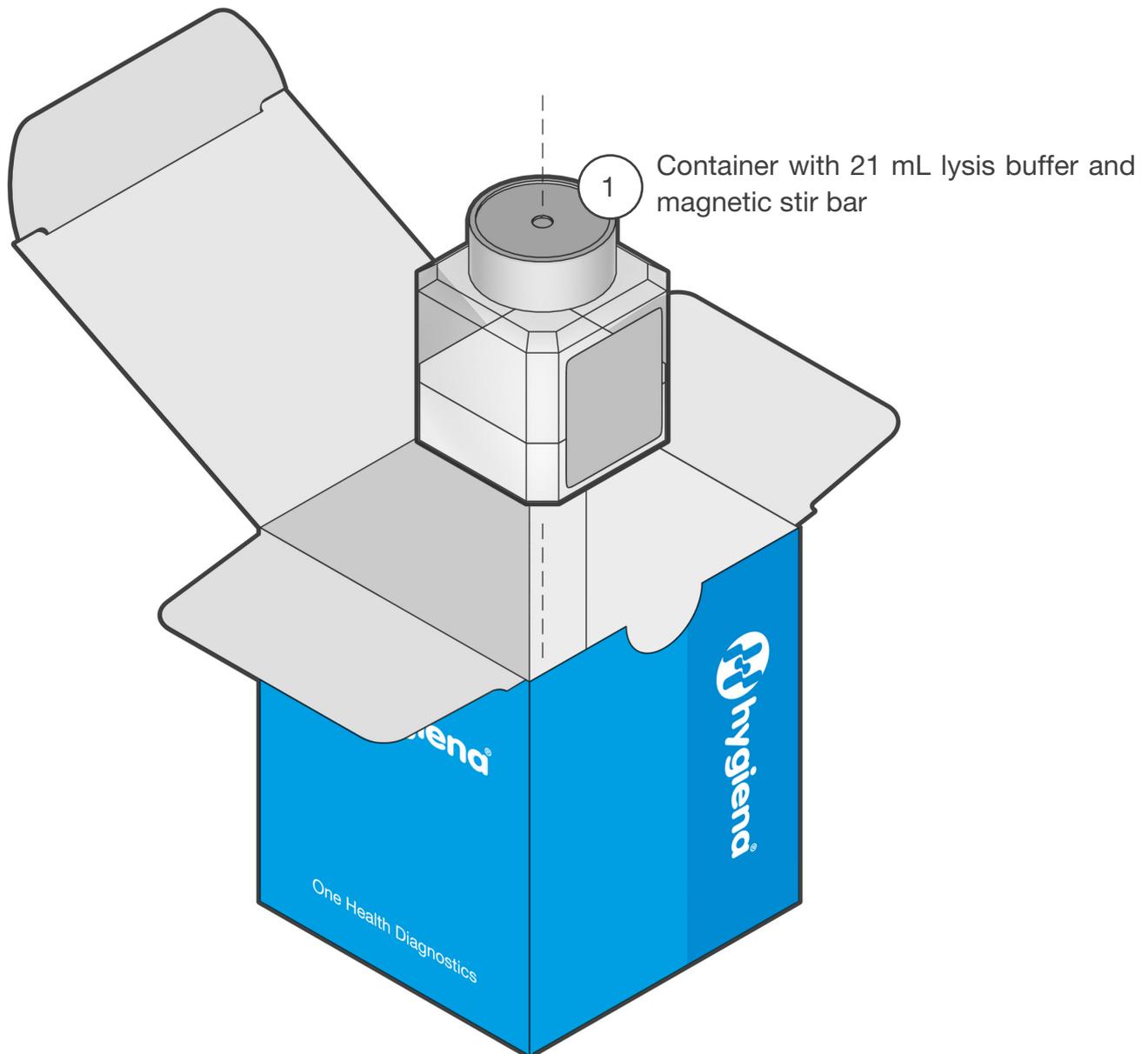
The lysis buffer is optimized for the preparation of enrichment cultures of various types of sample material, including infant formula with and without probiotics, ingredients and production environment samples. The sample volume varies depending on which matrix is being tested. For very cloudy supernatants, or samples containing inhibitors, a reduction of the sample volume may enhance the DNA isolation efficiency. The quality of the DNA obtained with the lysis buffer is suitable for any PCR application.

OVERVIEW

1.3 Kit Contents

A schematic representation of the foodproof StarPrep Three Kit with all its components.

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2. INSTRUCTIONS

This section provides all information for a seamless DNA extraction from a variety of matrices.

2.1 Required Material

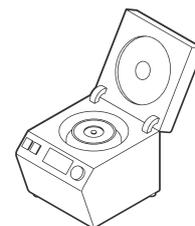
Most of the required equipment and reagents are available through Hygiena®. Please contact us for further information.



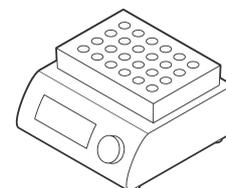
It is highly recommended only to use the materials described below to guarantee the robustness of the method.

Equipment

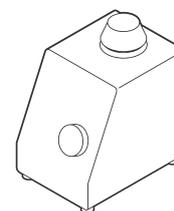
- Standard tabletop **microcentrifuge** capable of a 13,000 × g centrifugal force
e.g., Micro Star 17 - VWR



- Heating unit** suitable for 1.5 mL tubes
e.g., AccuBlock™ - Labnet with heating block



- Vortex mixer**
e.g., Vortex Genie - Scientific Industries



Recommended:

- Magnetic Stirrer**
e.g., Color squid IKAMAG® - IKA®-Werke



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2.2 Precautions and Preparations

Follow all universal safety precautions governing work with biohazardous materials, e.g., wear lab coats and gloves at all times. Properly dispose of all contaminated materials, decontaminate work surfaces, and use a biosafety cabinet whenever aerosols might be generated.

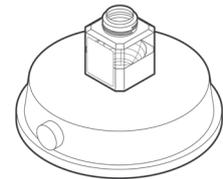
For more information, please refer to the appropriate material safety data sheet (SDS). The SDS is available online at www.hygiena.com/sds.

- Always use filter tips in order to avoid cross-contamination.

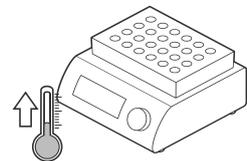


- Mix thoroughly while pipetting the buffer for sample preparation.

It is not recommended to use more than 96 reactions per 50 mL bottle. The container must retain some of the reagent.



- Set the heating unit to 95 to 100 °C.



2.3 Workflow

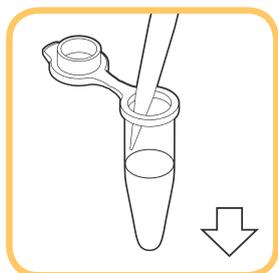
2.3.1 EXTRACTION PROCEDURE A: STANDARD

The following protocol describes the DNA isolation from 100 µL enrichment culture.



1. SHAKE SAMPLE

Shake enrichment culture gently and let the suspension settle for 5 to 10 min.



2. ADD SAMPLE

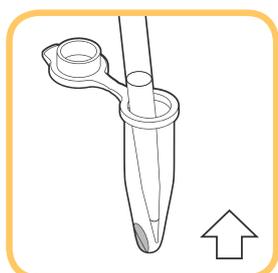
Transfer **100 µL** sample (supernatant enrichment culture) to a 1.5 mL reaction tube.



3. CENTRIFUGE

5 min at 8,000 x g.

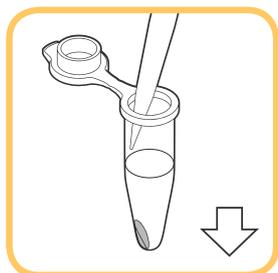
Note: If enrichment cultures are totally clear, centrifugation at $\geq 13,000 \times g$ is recommended.



4. REMOVE SUPERNATANT

Discard liquid with a pipette immediately after centrifugation and inactivate appropriately.

Note: Take care that the tip of the pipette is on the opposite side of the pellet during pipetting.



5. ADD LYSIS BUFFER

Transfer **200 µL** StarPrep Three Lysis Buffer to the sample tube.

Note: Use a magnetic stirrer (low speed) or gently shake the bottle with the lysis buffer for a short while.

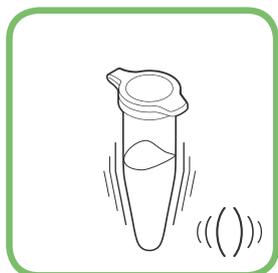
EXTRACTION PROCEDURE A: STANDARD**6. MIX**

Vortex or mix by pipetting up and down until pellet has **completely resuspended**.

**7. INCUBATE**

10 min at 95 to 100 °C in a heating unit.

Carefully remove the reaction tube from the heating unit and allow the tube to sit for **1 min at 15 to 25 °C**.

**8. MIX**

Vortex for **2 sec**.

**9. CENTRIFUGE**

2 min at 13,000 x g.

**SUPERNATANT FOR DETECTION**

Use up to **25 µL** of extract for the foodproof LyoKits.

Note: Strictly avoid transferring fractions of the sediment to the PCR reaction, because this might cause PCR inhibition.

For later analysis, store DNA at -15 to -25 °C.

After thawing, mix briefly by vortexing and centrifuge at 13,000 × g for 2 min.

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2.4 Troubleshooting

Problem	Possible Cause	Recommendation
Extract inhibits PCR	DNA extract contains too many PCR inhibitors.	For LyoKits: Use a reduced amount of extracted DNA, e.g., 20 µL PCR-grade H ₂ O + 5 µL DNA extract instead of 25 µL DNA extract.
	Some of the centrifugation pellet transferred over to the PCR.	Always centrifuge the DNA sample before performing PCR. Use the top of the supernatant as a PCR template. Do not allow the filter tip to have contact with the pellet.
	Enrichment culture or sample contains too many PCR inhibitors.	Perform a subcultivation, e.g., 1:10 dilution in fresh enrichment broth. Repeat DNA extraction with a reduced sample volume.
	Supernatant has not been completely removed during the DNA extraction procedure.	Remove supernatant completely.
Low DNA yield	Improper storage of kit components.	Store kit reagents at 15 to 25 °C.
	Enrichment culture contains substances that reduce the DNA extraction efficiency.	Perform a subcultivation or dilution, e.g., 1:10 in fresh enrichment broth. For very cloudy supernatants, a reduction of the sample volume might enhance DNA isolation efficiency.
	Sample contains substances that reduce the DNA extraction efficiency.	Reduce the sample volume. Important note: this will also reduce sensitivity.
	Not enough target organisms in enrichment culture.	Prolong the incubation phase.
	Pellet resuspension incomplete.	Improve resuspension by prolonged pipetting or vortexing.
	Suboptimal reaction conditions.	Ensure proper heating conditions. Verify correct temperature of the heating block with a thermometer.
Lid of the reaction tube opens during or after heating	Reaction tube not firmly closed.	Ensure that all reaction tubes are firmly closed before heating. Use lid clips for closing the tubes properly. Use a heating unit that enables removal of the tubes without directly touching the tube lids.

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2.5 Support

If you have questions or experience any problems with our products, please contact us:



www.hygiena.com/support

Our aim is to provide you with a solution as quickly and effectively as possible. We would also like you to contact us if you have any suggestions for improving the product or in case you would like to use our product for a different application. We highly value your feedback.

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

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3.1 General Information

Quality Control

All products are regularly monitored by our quality control. You can find the certificate of analysis (COA) on our website. If you would like to carry out your own quality control, you will find the analysis method described in the certificate.

Waste Disposal

All contaminated and potentially infectious material, like enrichment cultures or food samples, should be autoclaved before disposal and eliminated according to local rules and regulations. For proper disposal of unused chemicals, please refer to the SDS.

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3.2 Reference

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3.3 Change Index

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