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Abstract

Protocol for the preparation of HWT buffer (Maricic et al. 2010, Fu et al. 2013), which is used in hybridization capture by the Ancient DNA Core Unit of the MPI-EVA.

References

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Note

This protocol describes the preparation of 500 ml buffer.

Materials

	Reagent/consumable	Supplier	Catalogue number
	Reagents		
	Water	Sigma Aldrich/Merck	1153332500
	10x AmpliTaq Gold buffer without Mg	Life Technologies	4379874
	Tween-20	Thermo Fisher Scientific	11417160
	Consumables		
	Square media bottle 500 ml	VWR	391-0630
	50 ml serological pipette	Corning BV	357550

Equipment

- Serological pipette controller (e.g. battery-powered pipetting aid ROTILABO, cat. no. TC16.1)

Protocol

1. Prepare the buffer in a 500 ml square media bottle by adding the following reagents. Use the glass pipette for transfer of large volumes (> 1 ml). Mix reagents by shaking the bottle.

	Reagent	Volume	Final concentration in reaction
	Water	449.9 mL	
	10x AmpliTaq Gold buffer (w/o Mg)	50 mL	1x
	Tween-20	0.1 mL	0.02%



Note

[Labeling]

Label the bottle with the buffer name, batch ID, date and the initials of the person who prepared the buffer. Include lot number of AmpliTaq Gold buffer.

Attention: Every single bottle prepared at the same day gets a new batch ID. Name the batches with Roman numerals (e.g. batch I, batch II, etc.)

2. Store the buffer at room temperature until used. Shelf life is at least one year from preparation.

Note

[Documentation]

Note the lot numbers, date and initials written on the reagents used for buffer preparation in Labfolder (orange fields).