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Abstract

This protocol describes purification of GST-tagged linear tetra-ubiquitin (4xUb).

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Materials

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- pGEX-4T1 vector (RRID:Addgene #199779)
- isopropyl β -D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG)
- Glutathione Sepharose 4B beads (GE Healthcare)
- 10 kDa cut-off Amicon filter (Merck Millipore)
- Superdex 200 Increase 10/300 GL column (Cytiva)
- SORVAL RC6+ centrifuge with an F21S8×50Y rotor (Thermo Scientific)

Lysis buffer

	A	B
	Tris-HCl pH 7.4	50 mM
	NaCl	300 mM
	MgCl ₂	2 mM
	DTT	1 mM
	cOmplete EDTA-free protease inhibitors (Roche)	
	DNase (Sigma)	

Wash buffer

	A	B
	Tris-HCl pH 7.4	50 mM
	NaCl	300 mM
	DTT	1 mM

High salt wash buffer

	A	B
	Tris-HCl pH 7.4	50 mM



	A	B
	NaCl	700 mM
	DTT	1 mM

SEC buffer

	A	B
	Tris-HCl pH 7.4	25 mM
	NaCl	150 mM
	DTT	1 mM



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18h 46m

- 1 Linear tetra-ubiquitin fused to GST (GST-4xUb) was cloned into a pGEX-4T1 vector and is available from Addgene (RRID:Addgene #199779).
- 2 After the transformation of the pGEX-4T1 vector encoding GST4xUb in *E. coli* Rosetta pLySS cells, grow cells in LB medium at 37 °C until an OD₆₀₀ of 0.4 and then continued at 18 °C .
- 3 Once the cells reached an OD₆₀₀ of 0.8, induce protein expression with 100 micromolar (μM) isopropyl β-D-1-thiogalactopyranoside (IPTG) for 16:00:00 at 18 °C . 16h
- 4 Collect cells by centrifugation and resuspend in lysis buffer.
- 5 Sonicate cell lysates.
- 5.1 Sonicate cell lysates for 00:00:30 . (1/2) 30s
- 5.2 Sonicate cell lysates for 00:00:30 . (2/2) 30s
- 6 Clear lysates by centrifugation at 18000 rpm, 4°C, 00:45:00 in a SORVAL RC6+ centrifuge with an F21S8×50Y rotor (Thermo Scientific). 45m
- 7 Collect the supernatant and incubate with preequilibrated Glutathione Sepharose 4B beads (GE Healthcare) for 02:00:00 at 4 °C with gentle shaking to bind GST-4xUb. 2h
- 8 Centrifuge the samples to pellet the beads and remove the unbound lysate.
- 9 Wash the beads.



- 9.1 Wash the beads twice with wash buffer.
- 9.2 Wash the beads once with high salt wash buffer.
- 9.3 Wash the beads twice with wash buffer.
- 10 Incubate the beads  Overnight with  4 mL of [M] 50 millimolar (mM) reduced glutathione dissolved in wash buffer at  4 °C , to elute GST-4xUb from the beads.
- 11 To collect the supernatant, collect the beads by centrifugation.
- 12 Wash the beads twice with  4 mL of wash buffer, and collect the supernatant.
- 13 Pool the supernatant fractions, filter through a  0.45 µm syringe filter, concentrated with 10 kDa cut-off Amicon filter (Merck Millipore), and load onto a pre-equilibrated Superdex 200 Increase 10/300 GL column (Cytiva).
- 14 Elute the proteins with SEC buffer.
- 15 Analyze the fractions by SDS-PAGE and Coomassie staining.
- 16 Pool the fractions containing purified GST-4xUb.
- 17 After concentrating the purified protein, aliquot the protein and snap-freeze in liquid nitrogen. Store the proteins at  -80 °C .

