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SD 5-Foa Plates For Yeast Counter Selection

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Abstract

This protocol is for the preparation of SD 5-Foa plates to use for the counter selection of URA3 in yeast.

Materials

6.7g/L **Yeast Nitrogen Base (No amino acids, no ammonium sulfate)**

5g/L **Ammonium Sulfate**

2% (w/v) **Glucose**

2% (w/v) **Agar**

1g/L **5-Fluoroorotic Acid**

50mg/L **Uracil**

(According to Manufacturers specifications) **-Ura Drop out Mix**

Before start

Integrated marker cassette of 'loxp-kanMX-URA-loxp' is proven to be removed by the low-occurrence event of mitotic recombination between the repeated loxp-loxp, and positive colonies could be selected out by marker loss upon URA counter-selection in a one-step process.



Preparation of SD 5-Foa plates

- 1 In a clean bottle, add **Yeast Nitrogen Base (No amino acids, no ammonium sulfate), Ammonium Sulfate and glucose.**
- 2 In another clean bottle, add **Agar.**
- 3 Add DI H₂O to both bottles. (If preparing for 100mL, suggest to add 60mL to bottle containing **Agar**, and the rest of the 40mL to the other bottle)
- 4 Autoclave at 121°C for 15minutes.
- 5 Once cooled to around 50°C, add **5-Fluoroorotic Acid, Uracil, and -Ura Drop out Mix** to the bottle containing **Yeast Nitrogen Base (No amino acids, no ammonium sulfate), Ammonium Sulfate and glucose.**
- 6 Filter Sterile using 0.22um filter of contents in above bottle, into bottle containing **Agar.**
- 7 Dispense agar medium into petri dish (Recommend around ~15mL per petri dish)

1 day before experiment: 5mL culture of Cells

- 8 Inoculate transformed yeast cells from YPD agar plates (or whatever medium used) into 5mL of YPD. Remember to add markers in 5mL YPD.
- 9 Let it grow overnight in 30°C incubator, with shaking of 200rpm.

Day of Experiment: Plating onto SD 5 Foa Agar Plates

- 10 Centrifuge overnight culture at 1,100 xG for 5minutes.
- 11 Remove supernatant and wash cells with 5mL of sterile DI water.



- 12 Repeat washing step once more.
- 13 After final washing step, resuspend cells in 1mL of DI water
- 14 Plate 150 - 200uL of cells onto SD 5-Foa agar plates. (try not to plate too much cells onto agar plate, if not it will be overcrowded and cells will not grow)
- 15 If counter selection is successful, colonies should appear after 2-3 days.

2-3 Days After the Experiment: Confirm Counter Selection/ Marker Excision

- 16 Inoculate colonies from SD 5Foa plate into 5mL YPD medium.
- 17 Let it grow overnight in 30°C incubator, with shaking of 200rpm.
- 18 Plate 100 - 150uL of cells onto YPD agar with markers.
- 19 If counter selection and marker excision is successful, there should not be any colonies seen on the plates.

Protocol references

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