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We use this protocol and it's working



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Abstract

Protocol for the detection of proteins by Western blot from tissue extract



Materials

Recipe for 100 mL 1x RIPA buffer :

- o 5 mL Tris pH 7.4
- o 1 mL Triton x100
- o 1 g Deoxycholate
- o 3 mL 5M NaCl
- o 200 µL 0.5M EDTA (pH 8.0)
- o 1 mL 10% SDS

Add water until 100 mL (MilliQ water)

Add protease and phosphatase inhibitors (Pi + PPI) right before use

Reagents used during Western blotting :

- o 4X Laemmli buffer
- o PageRulerTM Plus Prestained Protein Ladder
- o 4–15% CriterionTM Tris-HCl Protein Gel
- o Trans-Blot[®] TurboTM PVDF Membrane
- o 5% milk powder dissolved in PBS-T 0.1% (PBS + 0.1% Triton-X100)
- o Goat anti-rabbit HRP secondary antibody (Dako)
- o ECL Prime chemiluminescence kit (GE Healthcare)

Recipe for 10.2 mL 4x Laemmli buffer (0.24M Tris pH 6.8, 7.27% SDS, 40% Glycerol, 10% b-Mercaptoethanol, 0.01% Bromophenol blue):

- 2.4 ml 1M Tris
pH6.8
- 0.8g SDS
- 4ml 100% glycerol
- 2.8ml dH₂O
- 1ml b-mercaptoethanol
- 0.01% Bromophenol
blue



Before start

Perform protein extraction from snap-frozen brain tissue:

- weigh tissue
- add RIPA buffer (see Materials) : 10 X of the weight (40 mg = 400 μ L)
- homogenize samples using sample homogenizer
- sonicate samples at 4 degrees C, 3 times 15 seconds (keep the samples on ice between each sonication)
- centrifuge samples at 6000 g for 10 minutes at 4 degrees C
- collect supernatant and measure protein concentration
- aliquot protein extracts and store at -20 degrees



Day 1

- 1 Prepare sample for western blot 10m

15 µg

 of protein in

12 µL

 PBS

Add

4 µL

 Laemmli buffer

Boil at

98 °C

 for

00:10:00
- 2 Load samples, together with

7 µL

 of mass marker (PageRuler™ Plus Prestained Protein Ladder) on a on 4–15% Criterion™ Tris-HCl Protein Gel.
- 3 Run the gel for

00:10:00

 at 80V 10m
- 4 Run the gel for

00:45:00

 at 150V 45m
- 5 Transfer the proteins on PVDF membrane (Trans-Blot® Turbo™ PVDF Membrane) using Trans-Blot Turbo Transfer System (Bio-Rad), using the pre-programmed protocol STANDARD SD:

00:30:00

 , up to 1.0 A, 25 V. 30m
- 6 Block membranes for

01:00:00

 using 5% milk dissolved in PBS-T 0,1% at

Room temperature

1h
- 7 Incubate membranes

Overnight

 in primary antibody in 5% milk PBS-T 0,1% at

4 °C

Day 2

- 8 Wash membranes with PBS-T 0,1% for 10 minutes, 3 times at

Room temperature

30m
Wash PBS-T

00:10:00

Wash PBS-T

00:10:00

Wash PBS-T

00:10:00



- 9 Incubate membranes for  01:00:00 horseradish peroxidase-conjugated secondary antibody (Dako) diluted 1/10000 in 5% milk PBS-T 0,1% at  Room temperature 1h
- 10 Wash membranes with PBS-T 0,1% for 10 minutes, 3 times at T  Room temperature 30m
 - Wash PBS-T  00:10:00
 - Wash PBS-T  00:10:00
 - Wash PBS-T  00:10:00
- 11 Develop membranes using ECL Prime (GE Healthcare)