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Handbook for

■ Soil DNA mini

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**DNA PURIFICATION HANDBOOK**

  
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This protocol handbook is included in :

GeneAll® Exgene™ Soil DNA mini (114-150)

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## Sample pulverization step

Add up to 500 mg of soil sample to a Powerbead™ tube.  
Add 550  $\mu$ l of Buffer SL.  
Pulverize the sample.  
Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 10 min.

## Inhibitor removal step

Transfer the supernatant to a 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube.  
Add 50  $\mu$ l of Buffer RH.  
Add 300  $\mu$ l of Buffer PD and mix well.  
Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 5 min.

## DNA binding step

Transfer the supernatant to a 2.0 ml microcentrifuge tube.  
Add 900  $\mu$ l of Buffer TB.  
Apply the mixture into a mini spin column and centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 30 s.

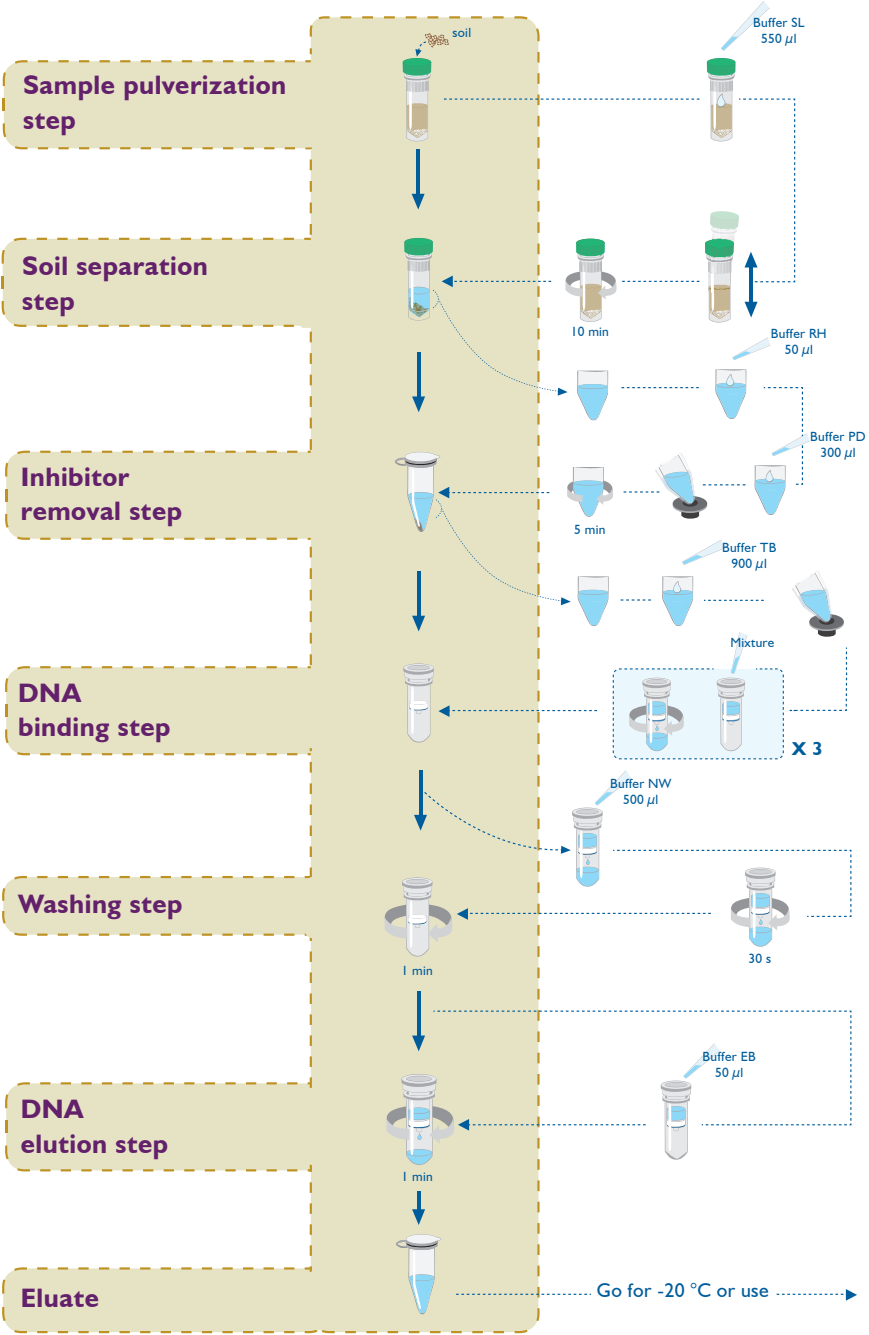
## Washing step

Add 500  $\mu$ l of Buffer NW and centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 30 s.  
Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 1 min.

## DNA elution

Add  $\sim 50$   $\mu$ l of Buffer EB to the center of the membrane.  
Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 1 min.

# Brief Protocol



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## KIT CONTENTS

Components	Quantity	Storage
Buffer SL	30 ml	Room temperature (15 °C to 25 °C)
Buffer RH	3 ml	
Buffer PD	17 ml	
Buffer TB	50 ml	
Buffer NW (concentrate) * †	6 ml	
Buffer EB	15 ml	
Powerbead™ tube	50	
Column Type G (with collection tube)	50	
1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube	100	
2.0 ml microcentrifuge tube	50	

\* Before using for the first time, add absolute ethanol (ACS grade or better) into Buffer NW as indicated on the bottle.

† Contains sodium azide as a preservative.

## MATERIALS NOT PROVIDED

### Reagent

- Absolute ethanol, ACS grade or better

### Disposable material

- Pipet tips
- Disposable gloves

### Equipment

- Precellys® 24 (Bertin, France) equipment or any equivalent
- Microcentrifuge
- Suitable protector (ex; lab coat, disposable gloves, goggles, etc)

## QUALITY CONTROL

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Exgene™ Soil DNA mini is manufactured in strictly clean condition, and its degree of cleanness is monitored periodically. For consistency of product, the quality certification process is carried out from lot to lot thoroughly and only the qualified is approved to be delivered.

## STORAGE CONDITIONS

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Exgene™ Soil DNA mini should be stored at room temperature (15~25 °C). But prolonged storage at high temperature over 30 °C can reduce the performance of the kit.

In cold ambient condition, Buffer RH and TB may exhibit salt precipitation and this will cause reduction of DNA recover-yields. If so, heat the bottle with occasional swirling in 37 °C water bath until completely dissolved.

All components are stable for 1 year.

Keep out of direct sunlight.

## PRECAUTIONS

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The buffers included in Exgene™ Soil DNA mini contain irritant which is harmful when in contact with skin or eyes, or when inhaled or swallowed. Care should be taken during handling. Always wear gloves and eye protector, and follow standard safety precautions. In case of contact, wash immediately with plenty of water and seek medical advice.

Buffer TB contains chaotropes. It can form highly reactive compounds when combined with bleach. Do NOT add bleach or acidic solutions directly to the sample-preparation waste.

## PRODUCT DISCLAIMER

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Exgene™ Soil DNA mini is for research use only, not for use in diagnostic procedure.

## Product Specifications

Specification	Exgene™ Soil DNA mini
Type	Spin
Maximum amount of starting samples	500 mg soil sample
Maximum loading volume of spin column	700 $\mu$ l
Minimum elution volume	30 $\mu$ l
Maximum binding capacity	100 $\mu$ g



## Product Description

GeneAll® Exgene™ Soil DNA mini provides a convenient method for the isolation of total DNA from soil samples. This kit utilizes the powerful beads, the optimized buffer system and the advanced silica binding technology to purify nucleic acid suitable for many applications. These complex systems of this kit can deal with a number of different types of samples in the soil including plant tissues, bacteria, fungi spores and others. Also, it removes a humic acid and other PCR inhibitors from various soil samples efficiently. The humic acid, which is a sort of brownish colour, is a critical factor for soil treating experiments and if remained in eluate, this can have a negative effect on the DNA downstream applications.

Exgene™ Soil DNA mini provides a tube including powerful beads for strong pulverization. Soil samples are placed in this tube with lysis buffer, Buffer SL, and crushed by bead-beater or vortex. After centrifugation, supernatant is mixed with precipitation buffer, Buffer RH and Buffer PD, to precipitate humic acid and protein. Then, the separated DNA part, supernatant, blend into the binding buffer, Buffer TB, and DNA is bound on the silica membrane through centrifugation. Following washing step with Buffer NW, the bound DNA is eluted by Buffer EB. Purified DNA can be directly applicable in conventional PCR, restriction analysis, electrophoresis, and any other downstream applications.

## PROTOCOL FOR

# Exgene™ Soil DNA mini

- 1. Add up to 500 mg of soil sample to a Powerbead™ tube.**
- 2. Add 550 µl of Buffer SL to the tube.**
- 3. Homogenize the sample in the Precellys® 24 (Bertin, France) equipment for twice of 23 s at 6500 rpm.**

Alternatively, secure tubes horizontally on a flat-bed vortex pad with tape and vortex at maximum speed for 10 min.
- 4. Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 10 min at room temperature and carefully transfer the supernatant to a 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube (provided).**
- 5. Add 50 µl of Buffer RH.**
- 6. Add 300 µl of Buffer PD and mix well by vortexing.**
- 7. Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 5 min at room temperature and carefully transfer the supernatant to a 2.0 ml microcentrifuge tube (provided).**

Small pellet containing humic acid, cell debris, and protein can be formed in the collection tube after centrifugation. Be careful not to disturb this pellet.
- 8. Add 900 µl of Buffer TB and mix well by vortexing.**

If Buffer TB precipitation, pre-heat in a 56 °C water bath to dissolve completely.
- 9. Transfer up to 700 µl of the mixture to a mini spin column.**
- 10. Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 30 s at room temperature.**

Discard the pass-through and reinsert the mini spin column back into the same tube.

**11. Repeat two more times step 9~10 using the remainder of the sample.**

**12. Add 500  $\mu$ l of Buffer NW to the mini spin column.**

**13. Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 30 s at room temperature.**

Discard the pass-through and reinsert the mini spin column back into the same tube.

**14. Centrifuge at maximum speed for 1 min at room temperature to remove residual wash buffer.**

**Transfer the mini spin column to a new 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube (provided).**

Residual ethanol may interfere with downstream reactions. Care must be taken at this step for eliminating the carryover of Buffer NW.

**15. Add 50  $\mu$ l of Buffer EB to the center of the membrane in the mini spin column.**

**Incubate for 1 min at room temperature. Centrifuge at  $\geq 10,000$  xg for 1 min at room temperature.**

Elution volume can be decreased to 30  $\mu$ l for high concentration of DNA, but this will slightly decrease in overall DNA yield. If maximum recovery of DNA is preferred or the starting materials contain large amount of DNA, elution can be done in 200  $\mu$ l of Buffer EB.

# Troubleshooting Guide

<b>Facts</b>	<b>Possible Causes</b>	<b>Suggestions</b>
<b>Low or no recovery</b>	<b>Too much starting material</b>	Too much starting material lead to inefficient lysis, followed by poor DNA yields. Reduce the amount of starting material.
	<b>Insufficient Homogenization</b>	Check the step 3 of protocol. Insufficient homogenization time and condition is related to low recovery yield.
<b>Low efficiency of DNA amplification</b>	<b>Excess amount of template DNA</b>	An excess amount of template DNA will inhibit a PCR reaction. The template DNA is needed to dilute.
<b>Eluate does not perform well in the downstream application</b>	<b>Residual ethanol remains in eluate</b>	To remove any residual ethanol included in Buffer NW from mini spin column membrane, centrifuge again for complete removal of ethanol.
<b>DNA eluate is brown</b>	<b>Humic acid is not be removed completely</b>	With certain samples, a little humic acid can be remained in the eluate. In this case, we recommend using a Expin™ CleanUp SV Kit to purify contaminated eluate.

# Ordering Information

Products	Scale	Size	Cat. No.	Type
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## GeneAll® Hybrid-Q™ for rapid preparation of plasmid DNA

Plasmid Rapidprep	mini	50	100-150	spin
		200	100-102	

## GeneAll® Exprep™ for preparation of plasmid DNA

Plasmid SV	mini	50	101-150	spin /	
		200	101-102	vacuum	
Plasmid SV	Midi	26	101-226	spin /	
		50	101-250		vacuum
		100	101-201		

## GeneAll® Exfection™ for preparation of transfection-grade plasmid DNA

Plasmid LE (Low Endotoxin)	mini	50	111-150	spin /
		200	111-102	vacuum
Plasmid EF (Endotoxin Free)	Midi	26	111-226	spin /
		100	111-201	vacuum
Plasmid EF (Endotoxin Free)	Midi	20	121-220	spin
		100	121-201	

## GeneAll® Expin™ for purification of fragment DNA

Gel SV	mini	50	102-150	spin /
		200	102-102	vacuum
PCR SV	mini	50	103-150	spin /
		200	103-102	vacuum
CleanUp SV	mini	50	113-150	spin /
		200	113-102	vacuum
Combo GP	mini	50	112-150	spin /
		200	112-102	vacuum

## GeneAll® Exgene™ for isolation of total DNA

Tissue SV	mini	100	104-101	spin /
		250	104-152	vacuum
	Midi	26	104-226	spin /
		100	104-201	vacuum
MAXI	10	104-310	spin /	
	26	104-326	vacuum	
Tissue Plus SV	mini	100	109-101	spin /
		250	109-152	vacuum
	Midi	26	109-226	spin /
		100	109-201	vacuum
	MAXI	10	109-310	spin /
		26	109-326	vacuum

Products	Scale	Size	Cat. No.	Type
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## GeneAll® Exgene™ for isolation of total DNA

Blood SV	mini	100	105-101	spin /
		250	105-152	vacuum
	Midi	26	105-226	spin /
		100	105-201	vacuum
MAXI	10	105-310	spin /	
	26	105-326	vacuum	
Cell SV	mini	100	106-101	spin /
		250	106-152	vacuum
	MAXI	10	106-310	spin /
		26	106-326	vacuum
Clinic SV	mini	100	108-101	spin /
		250	108-152	vacuum
	Midi	26	108-226	spin /
		100	108-201	vacuum
MAXI	10	108-310	spin /	
	26	108-326	vacuum	
Genomic DNA micro	mini	50	118-050	spin
		100	117-101	spin /
Plant SV	mini	250	117-152	vacuum
		26	117-226	spin /
	Midi	100	117-201	vacuum
		10	117-310	spin /
	MAXI	26	117-326	vacuum
		Soil DNA mini	mini	50
Stool DNA mini	mini	50	115-150	spin
Stool-Bead DNA mini	mini	50	115-151	spin
Viral DNA/RNA	mini	50	128-150	spin
FFPE Tissue DNA	mini	50	138-150	spin
		250	138-152	

## GeneAll® GenEx™ for isolation of total DNA without spin column

GenEx™ Blood	Sx	100	220-101	solution
		500	220-105	
GenEx™ Cell	Sx	100	221-101	solution
		500	221-105	
GenEx™ Tissue	Sx	100	222-101	solution
		500	222-105	
GenEx™ Blood	Lx	100	220-301	solution
		100	221-301	
GenEx™ Cell	Lx	100	221-301	solution
		100	222-301	
GenEx™ Tissue	Lx	100	222-301	solution
		100	222-301	

Products	Scale	Size	Cat. No.	Type
<b>GeneAll® GenEx™</b> <i>for isolation of total DNA without spin column</i>				
GenEx™ Plant	Sx	100	227-101	solution
	Mx	100	227-201	
	Lx	100	227-301	
GenEx™ Plant Plus	Sx	100	228-101	solution
	Mx	50	228-250	
	Lx	20	228-320	

<b>GeneAll® DirEx™ series</b> <i>for preparation of PCR-template without extraction</i>				
DirEx™		100	250-101	solution
DirEx™ Fast-Tissue		96 T	260-011	solution
DirEx™ Fast-Cultured cell		96 T	260-021	solution
DirEx™ Fast-Whole blood		96 T	260-031	solution
DirEx™ Fast-Blood stain		96 T	260-041	solution
DirEx™ Fast-Hair		96 T	260-051	solution
DirEx™ Fast-Buccal swab		96 T	260-061	solution
DirEx™ Fast-Cigarette		96 T	260-071	solution

<b>GeneAll® RNA series</b> <i>for preparation of total RNA</i>				
RiboEx™	mini	100	301-001	solution
		200	301-002	
Hybrid-R™	mini	100	305-101	spin
Hybrid-R™ Blood RNA	mini	50	315-150	spin
Hybrid-R™ miRNA	mini	50	325-150	spin
RiboEx™ LS	mini	100	302-001	solution
		200	302-002	
Riboclear™	mini	50	303-150	spin
Riboclear™ Plus	mini	50	313-150	spin
Ribospin™	mini	50	304-150	spin
		300	314-103	
Ribospin™ II	mini	50	314-150	spin
Ribospin™ vRD	mini	50	302-150	spin
Ribospin™ vRD Plus	mini	50	312-150	spin
Ribospin™ vRD II	mini	50	322-150	spin
Ribospin™ Plant	mini	50	307-150	spin
Ribospin™ Seed/Fruit	mini	50	317-150	spin
Ribospin™ Pathogen/TNA	mini	50	314-150	spin
		250	314-152	
Allspin™	mini	50	306-150	spin
RiboSaver™	mini	100	351-001	solution

Products	Scale	Size	Cat. No.	Type
<b>GeneAll® AmpONE™</b> <i>for PCR amplification</i>				
Taq DNA polymerase		250 U	501-025	(2.5 U/μl)
		500 U	501-050	
		1,000 U	501-100	
Taq Premix		20 μl x 96 tubes	526-200	solution
		50 μl x 96 tubes	526-500	

<b>GeneAll® AmpMaster™</b> <i>for PCR amplification</i>				
Taq Master mix		0.5 ml x 2 tubes	541-010	solution
		0.5 ml x 10 tubes	541-050	solution

<b>GeneAll® HyperScript™</b> <i>for Reverse Transcription</i>				
Reverse Transcriptase		10,000 U	601-100	solution
RT Master mix		0.5 ml x 2 tubes	601-710	solution
One-step RT-PCR Master mix		0.5 ml x 2 tubes	602-110	solution
One-step RT-PCR Premix		20 μl x 96 tubes	602-102	solution

<b>GeneAll® RealAmp™</b> <i>for qPCR amplification</i>					
SYBR qPCR Master mix (2X, Low ROX)		200 rxn	2 ml	801-020	solution
		500 rxn	5 ml	801-050	
SYBR qPCR Master mix (2X, High ROX)		200 rxn	2 ml	801-021	solution
		500 rxn	5 ml	801-051	

<b>GeneAll® Protein series</b>				
ProtinEx™ Animal cell/tissue		100 ml	701-001	solution
PAGESTA™ Reducing 5X SDS-PAGE Sample Buffer		1 ml x 10 tubes	751-001	solution

Products	Size	Cat. No.	Type
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**GeneAll® GENTi™ 32** *Newly designed automated extraction system*  
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Automatic extraction equipment		GTI032A	system
Genomic DNA	48	901-048A	tube
	96	901-096A	plate
Viral DNA/RNA	48	902-048A	tube
	96	902-096A	plate
Blood DNA	48	903-048A	tube
	96	903-096A	plate
Plant DNA/RNA	48	904-048A	tube
	96	904-096A	plate
LMO	48	906-048A	tube
	96	906-096A	plate
Fecal DNA/RNA	48	913-048A	tube
	96	913-096A	plate

**GeneAll® ALLEX® 64** *Compact yet Comprehensive automated extraction system*

Automatic extraction equipment		AEX064	system
Genomic DNA	48	931-048	tube
	96	931-096	plate
Viral DNA/RNA	48	934-048	tube
	96	934-096	plate
Blood DNA	48	935-048	tube
	96	935-096	plate
Plant DNA/RNA	48	937-048	tube
	96	937-096	plate
Fecal DNA/RNA	48	948-048	tube
	96	948-096	plate
Forensic	48	936-048	tube
	96	936-096	plate



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