



FavorPrep™ Tissue/Cultured Cells Total RNA Maxi Kit

-For isolation RNA from animal tissue, animal cells, bacterial cells and yeast cells

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Kit Contents:

Cat. No. (preps)	FATRK 003-S (2 preps)	FATRK 003 (10 preps)	FATRK 003-1 (20 preps)
FARB Buffer	30 ml	150 ml	300 ml
Wash Buffer 1	30 ml	150 ml	300 ml
Wash Buffer 2 ■ (Concentrate)	12 ml	50 ml	50 ml x 2
RNase-free ddH ₂ O	5 ml	15 ml	30 ml
Filter Columns	2 pcs	10 pcs	20 pcs
RNA Maxi Columns	2 pcs	10 pcs	20 pcs
50 ml centrifuge tubes	4 pcs	20 pcs	40 pcs
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Ethanol volume for Wash Buffer 2	48 ml	200 ml	200 ml

Specification:

Principle: maxi spin column (silica matrix)

Operation time: 60 mins

Binding capacity: up to 2000 µg total RNA/column

Column applicability: centrifugation and vacuum

Minimum elution volume: 500 µl

Recommend sample size

Animal tissue: ≤650 mg

Animal cells: ≤1.5×10⁸

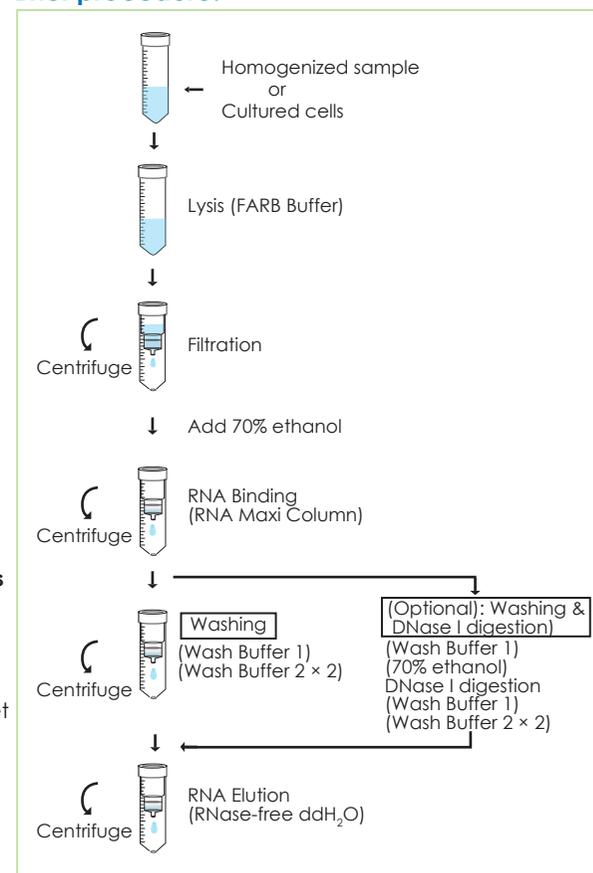
Bacterial cells: ≤3×10¹⁰

Yeast cells: ≤1×10⁹

Important Notes:

1. Make sure everything is RNase-free when handling RNA.
2. Buffers provided in this system contain irritants. Wear gloves and lab coat when handling these buffers.
3. **Caution: β-mercaptoethanol (β-Me) is hazardous to human health. Perform the procedures involving β-Me in a chemical fume hood.**
4. Add required volume of RNase-free ethanol (96~100%) to Wash Buffer 2 at the first use.
5. All centrifugation steps are done by swing-bucket rotor to make RNA bind symmetrically and at speed 4,500~6,000 xg.
6. Prepare RNase-free DNase I reaction buffer (1 M NaCl, 10 mM MnCl₂, 20 mM Tris-HCl, pH 7.0 at 25°C) and make the final concentration of DNase I to 0.25 U/µl.

Brief procedure:



Protocol: Animal Tissues

Please Read Important Notes Before Starting Following Steps.

Additional equipment: 50 ml centrifuge tube

Liquid nitrogen & mortar

Rotor-stator homogenizer

β-Mercaptoethanol

RNase-free 70% ethanol

Swing-bucket centrifugator for 50 ml tube

55°C oven

1. Weight ≤650 mg of animal tissue. Grind the sample in liquid nitrogen to a fine powder with a mortar and transfer the powder to a 50 ml centrifuge tube (not provided).

-Note: Avoid thawing the sample during weighing and grinding.

2. Add 14 ml of FARB Buffer and 0.14 ml of β-Mercaptoethanol. Homogenize the sample by using a rotor-stator homogenizer. Incubate at room temperature for 5 mins.

-Important step: To release more RNA from the harder samples, it is recommended to homogenize the sample by using suitable homogenize equipment, for example, with a rotor-stator homogenizer.

3. Place a Filter Column to a 50 ml centrifuge tube (Provided) and transfer the sample mixture to the Filter Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 5 mins.

4. Transfer 12 ml of the clarified supernatant from the 50 ml centrifuge tube to a new 50 ml centrifuge tube. (not provided)

-Note: Avoid to pipette any floating turbid debris when transferring the supernatant.

5. Add 12 ml of RNase-free 70% ethanol and mix well by vortexing for 5 secs.

6. Place a RNA Maxi Column to a new 50 ml centrifuge tube (provided) and transfer up to 12 ml of the ethanol added mixture to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.

7. Repeat step 6 for the rest 12 ml of the sample mixture

8. **Optional step: DNase I digestion** To eliminate genomic DNA contamination, follow the steps from 8a.

Otherwise, proceed to step 9 directly.

8a. Add 5 ml of Wash Buffer 1 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.

8b. Add 12 ml of RNase-free 70% ethanol to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.

8c. Add 500 µl of RNase-free DNase I solution (0.25 U/µl, not provided) to the membrane center of the RNA Maxi Column. Place the column on the benchtop for 15 mins.

8d. Add 5 ml of Wash Buffer 1 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.

8e. After DNase I treatment, proceed to step 10.

9. Add 10 ml of Wash Buffer 1 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.

10. Add 12 ml of Wash Buffer 2 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.

-Note: Make sure that ethanol has been added into Wash Buffer 2 at the first use.

11. Repeat step 10 for one more washing. Add 12 ml of Wash Buffer 2 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the tube cap and centrifuge at 4,500~6,000 xg for 10 mins. Discard the flow-through.

12. Place the RNA Maxi Column to a new 50 ml centrifuge tube (not provided).

13. Incubate the RNA Maxi Column at 55°C oven for 10 mins.

-Note: The oven incubation should be 10 mins to remove the wash buffer from membranes completely.

14. Add 500 µl of RNase-free ddH₂O to the membrane center of the RNA Maxi Column. Stand the RNA Maxi Column for 2 mins at room temperature.

-Important Step! For effective elution, make sure that RNase-free ddH₂O is dispensed on the membrane center and is absorbed completely.

15. Close the tube cap and centrifuge at 4,500~6,000 xg for 2 mins to elute RNA.

16. Use the purified RNA in downstream application or store RNA at -70°C.

Protocol: Animal Cells

Please Read Important Notes Before Starting Following Steps.

Additional equipment: 50 ml centrifuge tube

β-Mercaptoethanol

RNase-free 70% ethanol

Swing-bucket centrifugator for 50 ml tube

55°C oven

1. Collect $\leq 1.5 \times 10^8$ cells in a 50 ml centrifuge tube (not provided) by centrifuge at 300 xg for 5 mins at 4°C. Remove all the supernatant.
-Note: Do not overload, too much sample will make cell lysis incompletely and lead to lower RNA yield and purity.
2. Add 14 ml FARB Buffer and 0.14 ml of β-Mercaptoethanol to the cell pellet. Vortex vigorously for 1 min to resuspend the cells completely and incubate the sample at room temperature for 5 mins.
-Note: If the clump is still visible after vortex, pipette sample mixture up and down to break down the clump.
3. Place a Filter Column to a 50 ml centrifuge tube (Provided) and transfer the sample mixture to the Filter Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 5 mins.
4. Transfer 12 ml of the clarified supernatant from the 50 ml centrifuge tube to a new 50 ml centrifuge tube. (not provided)
-Note: Avoid to pipette any floating turbid debris when transferring the supernatant.
5. Add 12 ml of RNase-free 70% ethanol and mix well by vortexing for 5 secs.
6. Place a RNA Maxi Column to a new 50 ml centrifuge tube (provided) and transfer up to 12 ml of the ethanol added mixture to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.
7. Repeat step 6 for the rest 12 ml of the sample mixture.
8. **Optional step: DNase I digestion** To eliminate genomic DNA contamination, follow the steps from 8a. Otherwise, proceed to step 9 directly.
 - 8a. Add 5 ml of Wash Buffer 1 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.
 - 8b. Add 12 ml of RNase-free 70% ethanol to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.
 - 8c. Add 500 μl of RNase-free DNase I solution (0.25 U/μl, not provided) to the membrane center of the RNA Maxi Column. Place the column on the benchtop for 15 mins.
 - 8d. Add 5 ml of Wash Buffer 1 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.
 - 8e. After DNase I treatment, proceed to step 10.
9. Add 10 ml of Wash Buffer 1 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.
10. Add 12 ml of Wash Buffer 2 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the cap and centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 2 mins. Discard the flow-through and return the RNA Maxi Column back to the 50 ml centrifuge tube.
-Note: Make sure that ethanol has been added into Wash Buffer 2 at the first use.
11. Repeat step 10 for one more washing. Add 12 ml of Wash Buffer 2 to the RNA Maxi Column. Close the tube cap and centrifuge at 4,500~6,000 xg for 10 mins. Discard the flow-through.
12. Place the RNA Maxi Column to a new 50 ml centrifuge tube (not provided).
13. Incubate the RNA Maxi Column at 55°C oven for 10 mins.
-Note: The oven incubation should be 10 mins to remove the wash buffer from membranes completely.
14. Add 500 μl of RNase-free ddH₂O to the membrane center of the RNA Maxi Column. Stand the RNA Maxi Column for 2 mins at room temperature.
-Important Step! For effective elution, make sure that RNase-free ddH₂O is dispensed on the membrane center and is absorbed completely.
15. Close the tube cap and centrifuge at 4,500~6,000 xg for 2 mins to elute RNA.
16. Use the purified RNA in downstream application or store RNA at -70°C.

Protocol: Bacterial cells

Please Read Important Notes Before Starting Following Steps.

Additional requirement: 50 ml centrifuge tube

β-Mercaptoethanol

RNase-free 70% ethanol

37°C water bath or heating block

Lysozyme reaction solution: (10 mg/ml lysozyme; 20 mM Tris-HCl, pH 8.0; 2 mM EDTA; 1.2% Triton)

Acid-washed glass beads, 500~700 μm

Swing-bucket centrifugator for 50 ml tube

55°C oven

1. Transfer $\leq 3 \times 10^{10}$ cells well-grown bacterial culture to a 50 ml centrifuge tube.
-Note: Make sure the amount of total RNA harvested from sample do not exceed the column's binding capacity (2000 μg) when estimate the sample size. Too much sample will make cell lysis incompletely and lead to lower RNA yield and purity. If RNA amount is hard to determine on some species, using $\leq 1.5 \times 10^{10}$ cells as the starting sample size.
2. Descend the bacterial cells by centrifuge at speed (4,500~6,000 xg) for 5 mins at 4°C. Remove all the supernatant.
3. Add 1 ml of lysozyme reaction solution. Pipette up and down to resuspend the cell pellet and incubate at 37°C for 10 mins.
4. Add 14 ml FARB Buffer and 0.14 ml of β-Mercaptoethanol.
5. Add 500 mg of acid-washed glass beads (500~700 μm) and vortex vigorously for 5 mins to disrupt the cells.
6. Incubate the sample at room temperature for 5 mins.
7. Follow Animal Cells Protocol starting from step 3.

Protocol: Yeast

Please Read Important Notes Before Starting Following Steps.

Additional requirement: 50 ml centrifuge tube

β-Mercaptoethanol

RNase-free 70% ethanol

Swing-bucket centrifugator for 50 ml tube

55°C oven

Enzymatic disruption: Lyticase or zymolyase

Sorbitol buffer (1 M sorbitol; 100 mM EDTA; 0.1% β-ME)

30°C water bath or heating block

1. Collect $\leq 1 \times 10^9$ of yeast culture by centrifuge at 4,500 xg for 5 mins at 4°C. Remove all the supernatant.
2. Resuspend the cell pellet in 2.4 ml sorbitol buffer (1 M sorbitol; 100 mM EDTA; 0.1% β-ME) (not provided).
-Note: Prepare sorbitol buffer just before use.
3. Add 800 U lyticase or zymolyase and incubate at 30°C for 30 mins.
4. Centrifuge at 300 xg for 5 mins to pellet the spheroplasts. Remove all the supernatant.
5. Add 14 ml FARB Buffer and 0.14 ml of β-Mercaptoethanol to the pellet. Vortex vigorously to disrupt the spheroplasts for 1 min. Incubate sample mixture at room temperature for 5 mins.
6. Follow Animal Cells Protocol starting from step 3.