

AFFINITY PURIFICATION OF SOLUBLE HIS-TAGGED PROTEINS

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1.

Lyse cells:

- a. Suspend the cell pellet in 30–35 ml of His-washing buffer with 10 mM PMSF.
 - b. Sonicate cells in an ice-bath at 200 W for 6 min.
 - c. Rotate the lysed solution for 1 h at 4°C.
 - d. Centrifuge the cell lysate for approximately 13 min at 8000 rpm, 4°C.
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2.

Bind protein to beads:

- a. Transfer the supernatant to 600 µl of His-beads.
 - b. Rotate the mixture overnight at 4°C.
 - c. Collect the beads by centrifugation at 2000 rpm for 10–30 seconds, 4°C. The protein-bound beads are collected in eppendorf tubes.
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3.

Wash away the unbound proteins from beads:

- a. Wash the beads 3 times with 1 ml of His-washing buffer. Discard the supernatant.
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4.

Elute proteins from beads:

- a. Add 300 µl of His-elution buffer to the beads.
- b. Rotate the mixture for 1 h at 4°C.
- c. Collect the supernatant by centrifugation at 300 rpm for 10–30 seconds.
- d. Repeat steps 4 a–c.
- e. Combine the eluent (total volume of 600 µl).
- f. Check the molecular weight and purity of the enriched protein by SDS-PAGE analysis.

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Buffers Needed

His-washing buffer	1000 ml
20 mM Imidazole	1.36 g
1x PBS buffer	1000 ml
Adjust to pH 7.0	

His-elution buffer	1000 ml
300 mM Imidazole	20.42 g
10% Glycerol	100 ml
1x PBST buffer	900 ml
Adjust to pH 7.0	

GST-washing buffer (PBST buffer)	1000 ml
58 mM Na ₂ HPO ₄	8.24 g
17 mM NaH ₂ PO ₄	2.04 g
68 mM NaCl	3.98 g
Add ddH ₂ O to 1000 ml	
Adjust to pH 7.4	