

代谢组学样本准备指南

1 Preparation of before sample collection

1) Check of possible contaminants from the collectors and tubes

Collector: add 1 mL artificial serum to sample collectors and leave at room temperature for 1 hour. Then add 3 mL ACN to artificial serum. After vortexing for 30 seconds, centrifuge the mixture at $14000\times g$ for 10 min at $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pipe the supernatant for analysis.

Tube: add 200 μL 80% methanol (v/v) to the tubes and leave at room temperature for 4 hours. Centrifuge the mixture at $14000\times g$ for 10 min at $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pipe the supernatant for analysis.

Pipette tip: pipe 80% methanol (v/v) with different pipette tips at room temperature for 50 times. Centrifuge the mixture at $14000\times g$ for 10 min at $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$. Pipe the supernatant for analysis.

2) Preparation of donor/participants

A 12 hours of fasting is required for all participants. No unrelated drugs or alcohol intake within this 12 hours. Keep quiet, no unnecessary physical exercise before sample collection,.

2 Collection of plasma

1) Collect whole blood in tubes containing **EDTA** as anti-coagulant.

2) Mix the blood after collection, prior to centrifugation. After mixed, centrifuge the samples at 1,000 g for 10-15 minutes. Avoid hemolysis.

3) Transfer the clear, upper layer of plasma to a new clean Eppendorf tube. The volume of plasma per tube should be 100 to 200 μL .

3 Collection of serum and other biofluids

1) Collection of serum

Collect whole blood in serum separator tubes and follow tube manufacturer's processing instructions.

Transfer the straw-colored or pale-yellow upper layer of serum to a new clean Eppendorf tube.

2) Collection of biofluids (urine, saliva, cerebrospinal fluids, etc)

Collect biofluids according to routine clinical protocols.

Centrifuge the biofluids at $1000\times g$, 5 minutes at $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.

Transfer the supernatant into clean Eppendorf tube.

4 Collection of tissue

1) Cut target tissues (20 to 50 mg) directly or within 30 minutes after clinical resection.

2) Flush the samples with PBS ($4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$) to remove blood or other contaminants.

3) Transfer the samples to cryovial and flash-freeze in liquid nitrogen.

5 Collection and preparation of cell culture

1) Change the culture medium 2 hours before cell collection

2) For adherent cell lines, remove the medium rapidly, and rinse the cell gently with 5.0 mL PBS twice ($37\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$).

3) For suspension cell lines, remove the medium with centrifuge at $125\times g$, 4 minutes.

Then rinse the cell gently with 5.0 mL PBS ($37\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$) and remove the PBS with centrifuge at $125\times g$, 4 minutes twice.

- 4) Add 2 mL 80% methanol with IS (V/V, cool to $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$) to the cell.
- 5) Incubate the mixture at $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ for 5 minutes.
- 6) Scrape the cell (adherent) from the dish on dry ice.
- 7) Transfer the mixture to 15 mL conical tube on dry ice.
- 8) Lyse the cell with two cycle of freeze-thaw (frozen in liquid nitrogen and thaw at $37\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$).
- 9) Vortex the mixture for 1 minute.
- 10) Centrifuge the mixture at $14000\times g$, 10 minutes , at $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$.
- 11) Remove the supernatant to a new tube.
- 12) Add $500\text{ }\mu\text{L}$ 80% methanol to the cell pellet and repeat step 3, 4 and transfer the supernatant to the same tube.
- 13) Lyophilize the extraction solvent and stored at $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ until analysis.

6 Storage and transportation of samples

- 1) Biofluid samples should be stored in $-80\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ immediately after collection. Tissues and cell are recommended to be stored in liquid nitrogen. All samples in same project should be collected and stored at the same conditions.
- 2) All samples are recommended to be divided into aliquots for a single analysis. Avoid frequent freeze-thaw cycles (less than 3 times at $4\text{ }^{\circ}\text{C}$ is recommended).
- 3) During the transportation, dry ice should be used to preserve the biological samples.