# User's Manual

**Product: FFPE Tissue DNA Extraction Kit** 

Catalog Number: K5019100

**Shipping Condition**: Shipped in dry ice, store proteinase K at +4°C and actin control primer at -20°C upon arrival.

#### Introduction:

Formalin-fixed, paraffin embedded (FFPE) tissue specimens are highly valuable sources for retrospective studies of many pathologies. Nevertheless, the extraction of nucleic acids from FFPE specimens could often be challenging, as nucleic acids become cross-linked and degraded during the archiving process. Nucleic acids obtained are usually highly fragmented and chemically modified from the archiving process.

#### **Features**

- No toxic chemicals
- No lost of nucleic acids due to filtering washes
- Short and robust protocol
- No inhibition on downstream applications

## Description

BioChain's FFPE Tissue DNA Extraction Kit allows for facile and efficient deoxyribonucleic acid extraction from FFPE tissues, with potential high throughput capabilities and full compatibility for down-stream applications such as qPCR. Utilizing heat and proteinase K treatment, BioChain's FFPE Tissue DNA Extraction Kit is optimized in the removal of paraffin, partial reversal of formalin crosslinking, and release of DNA from fixed tissues.

#### Content

All necessary reagents for DNA extractions in FFPE tissue specimens are provided. The kit contains sufficient reagents for 100 FFPE tissue DNA extraction reactions.

## **Quality Control**

All kit components are DNase-, RNase-, and protease-free. Each component has been tested for purity and efficacy.

# **Storage Condition**

Store proteinase K at +4°C upon arrival, and -20°C upon dilution with FFPET Lysis Buffer. Reconstituted Proteinase K solution and actin control primer are stable up to one year in -20°C, and FFPET Lysis Buffer is stable at least one year after delivery at room temperature.

# Important Notes

<u>Starting Material:</u> The starting tissue material shall be freshly cut FFPE tissue sections with thickness of up to 10  $\mu$ m each with surface area of up to 200 mm<sup>2</sup> for each 200 $\mu$ l reaction. The extraction protocols and reagents are easily scaleable to accommodate larger or smaller amount of input sections.

Recommendations for downstream PCR applications: Due to the highly fragmented nature of the nucleic acids obtained from FFPE tissues, care should be taken in the design of primers. PCR amplicons shall be less than 300 bases in length with PCR profiles at 40 amplification cycles to ensure successful amplification. Lysates shall be diluted 2 times prior to use in standard reverse transcription or DNA amplification protocols. BioChain recommends digestion with DNase prior to cDNA synthesis reactions. A control actin primer is provided in this kit.

#### Protocol for FFPET DNA Extraction

## Prior to initial use:

Resuspend FFPET Proteinase K with 3.5 ml FFPET Lysis Buffer

Aliquot into appropriate amounts and store aliquots at -20°C

- 1. Using scalpel, trim excess paraffin off sample block, and cut sections 5-10 µm thick.
- 2. Place paraffin sections directly into 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube.
- 3. Add 170 µl FFPET Lysis Buffer into each microcentrifuge tube
- 4. Add 30ul FFPET Proteinase K into each microcentrifuge tube
- 5. Gently mix and briefly spin down contents, ensure section is completely submerged.
- 6. Incubate specimen samples at 56°C for 1 hour with intermittent mixing (shaker/rotator preferred)
- 7. Gently spin down tube and incubate specimen samples at 90°C for 1 hour with intermittent mixing
- 8. Incubate at 98°C for 2 minutes
- 9. Briefly spin down and Immediately place on ice for 2 minutes (Sometimes placing the tube on ice immediately for 2 minutes before spinning down may have better result)
- 10. Carefully transfer lysate content to fresh new tube, avoiding white paraffin residues
- 11. Lysate is now ready for PCR downstream applications
- 12. Store extraction lysate at -80°C immediately or when not in use

Note: The FFPE DNA isolated with this kit is fully recovered from the FFPE tissue, and the DNA lost is minimized comparing with the column based isolation kit. However, there are more impurities, which will result poor UV readings, in the DNA solution than the DNA isolated with column based isolation kit. The impurities don't have significant PCR inhibition from Biochain's test, but if customers need to determine the DNA concentration, it is recommended to use pico green but not UV.

# **Kit Components**

Item	Part #	Amount	Storage
1. Proteinase K	K5019100-1	1 bottle	+4°C
			-20°C after reconstitution
2. FFPET Lysis Buffer	K5019100-2	25 ml	Room Temp
3. Control Actin Primer	K5019100-3	1 tube	-20°C

## Reference

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