

# Instructions for Isohelix Buccal-Prep Plus DNA Isolation Kit: BPP-50/BPP-3

## **Product Details**

Isohelix Buccal-Prep Plus DNA Stabilisation and Isolation Kits have been specifically formulated to produce high DNA yield and purity from buccal swabs. The kits have been fully optimised at Cell Projects for use on buccal cell samples and offer reduced handling times, increased DNA yields and many other important technical benefits for their use in manual, 96-well or other high throughput formats.

### **Key Benefits**

- Optimised for buccal cells
- ✓ Fast handling times
- ✓ High purity and yield
- ✓ No solvent based chemicals
- Protocol integrated to swabs
- ✓ Manual or high throughput formats
- ✓ No columns or filtration
- ✓ Less consumables wastage

#### **Kit Contents**

Isohelix Buccal-Prep Plus DNA Isolation Kit			
Catalogue No.	BPP-50	BPP-3	Storage temperature
Number of preps	50	3	
Proteinase K	1 x 22mg*1	2.2mg*2	4°C after reconstitution
Solution BLS (Lysis and Stabilisation buffer)	30ml	1.8ml*3	Room temperature
Solution BP (DNA Precipitation buffer)	35ml	2.1ml	Room temperature
Solution TE	5ml	300μl*4	Room temperature
DNA Rehydration buffer	5ml	300µl*5	Room temperature

<sup>\*1</sup> Reconstitute vial with 1.1ml sterile ddH<sub>2</sub>O before first use, store at 4°C after reconstitution.

## Storage

Isohelix Buccal-Prep Kits are shipped at ambient temperature.

<u>Please note</u> that on arrival the kit components should be stored according to the table above.

The kits are stable up to the expiry date if stored as instructed. See box label for expiry date.

## Equipment and reagents to be supplied by user

- Water bath or heating block at 60°C
- Pipettes with disposable tips
- Microcentrifuge (with rotor for 2 ml tubes)
- 2ml or 1.5ml microcentrifuge tubes. 2ml V-bottom tubes are recommended.
- Vortexer

### **Before Starting**

- 1. Prepare a waterbath or heating block at 60°C
- 2. If a precipitate has formed in solution BLS, warm at 37°C for a few minutes
- 3. Reconstitute the Proteinase K by adding the appropriate amount of sterile ddH<sub>2</sub>O as shown above.

# Safety and Use of the Buccal-Prep Kits

The Buccal-Prep kits are intended for use by qualified professionals trained in potential laboratory hazards and good laboratory practice. If direct information is not available on any of our compounds this should not be interpreted as an indication of product safety.

This kit has been designed for research use only



<sup>\*2</sup> Reconstitute vial with 110μl sterile ddH<sub>2</sub>O before first use, store at 4°C after reconstitution.

<sup>\*3</sup> Purple cap

<sup>\*4</sup> Black cap

<sup>\*5</sup> White cap



# **Protocol for Buccal-PrepPlus DNA Isolation Kits**

#### Part A - DNA Stabilisation

1. Add 500µl BLS solution to the tube containing the buccal swab, seal the tube then vortex briefly or invert to mix.

At this point the DNA is stabilised. You may continue with the DNA isolation or store the stabilised swab in a sealed tube at room temperature for at least 1 year.

#### Part B - DNA Isolation

- 2. Add 20µl PK solution to the tube containing the buccal swab and BLS solution. Vortex briefly.
- 3. Incubate the tube in a  $60^{\circ}$ C water bath for 1 hour, or a minimum of 30 minutes. Vortex briefly.
- 4. Transfer the liquid in the tube (approx. 400µl) into a 1.5ml centrifuge tube using a sterile pipette tip.
- 5. Optional step to increase yield:

Tip the swab head into a sterile 1.5ml centrifuge tube so that the swab head is uppermost. Spin the tube briefly and using a sterile pipette tip add the recovered supernatant to the 400 µl collected previously.

- 6. Add 400μl BP solution to the tube, **(500μl if using the optional step 5)**. Vortex briefly. The solution may look cloudy at this point.
- 7. Place the tube in a microcentrifuge (with hinge positioned outwards so the liquid can be removed from the opposite side) and spin at maximum speed (13.4K rpm/12,000 x g) for 10 minutes. The pellet will contain both the DNA and other impurities. Note the pellet may be a large white pellet at this point.
- 8. Pour off the supernatant carefully then re-spin the tube briefly and remove any remaining liquid carefully with a pipette tip taking care not to disturb the DNA pellet. Note it is important to remove all of the liquid
- 9. Add 100µl TE solution to the tube. (This volume may be decreased to as little as 50µl if a higher concentration of DNA is required.)
- 10. Vortex or pipette up and down for 20 seconds or longer to dislodge the pellet from the tube wall and to disperse the white pellet material as fully as possible. Leave for 2 to 5 minutes at room temperature, longer if a reduced volume of TE has been used, then re-vortex for 10 20 seconds. If the pellet is large it may not be possible to fully disperse the pellet. Note: The pellet contains insoluble impurities which will be removed in step 11.
- 11. Re-spin the tube for 15 minutes at maximum speed (13.4K rpm/12,000 x g) to remove the insoluble impurities. Transfer the supernatant containing the DNA to a sterile 1.5ml tube, being careful not to disturb the pellet. Discard the tube with the pellet.
- 12. The sample purity can now be assessed by nanodrop. (Yield should be assessed using a fluorometric assay such as a Qubit assay for accuracy.) For most samples the DNA isolation will be completed at this point, however if the sample purity is not sufficient you may continue with the steps below.
- 13. Add a volume of BLS solution equal to the sample volume, vortex to mix. Example 1: If your sample volume is 100μl, add 100μl BLS.
- 14. Add a volume of BP solution equal to the total volume of sample + BLS in step 13. Example 1: Add 200μl BP solution. Vortex to mix.
- 15. Place the tube in a microcentrifuge (with hinge positioned outwards so the liquid can be removed from the opposite side) and spin at maximum speed (13.4K rpm/12,000 x g) for 10 minutes. Remove all liquid carefully with a pipette tip. Note: The DNA pellet may not be visible. If necessary, re-spin the tube briefly and remove any remaining liquid carefully with a pipette tip taking care not to disturb the pellet.
- 16. Add 100 $\mu$ l DNA rehydration buffer (or less if your sample volume in step 9 was less than 100 $\mu$ l, or you require a more concentrated DNA sample), vortex and stand at room temperature for 2 to 5 minutes to allow the DNA to fully re-hydrate.

The DNA sample is now ready for use in downstream applications such as amplification.

Store the DNA sample at  $4^{\circ}$ C for short term storage or  $-20^{\circ}$ C for long term storage. The expected yield from a buccal swab is on average 1 to  $10\mu$ g DNA (10 to  $100\eta$ g/ $\mu$ l) from an adult.