Immunoprecipitation (IP) Detection (Magnetic Beads Coupled Antibody)

I. Experimental Reagents:

- (1) Antibody conjugated magnetic beads
- (2) Cell lysis buffer for IP (without inhibitors) (RM00022)
- (3) Protease Inhibitor Cocktail (RM02916)
- (4) 1×PBS buffer (RM00012)
- (5) 5×SDS-PAGE Loading Buffer(RM00001) or non-reduced 5×SDS sample buffer (dilute with deionized water to working concentration prior to use)
- (6) Elution buffer: 0.1-0.2M glycine, pH: 2.5-3.1
- (7) Neutralization buffer: 1M Tris-base, pH: 10.4

II. Experimental steps:

1. Sample processing

(1) Adherent cell culture

- a. Remove the culture medium from adherent cells and wash the cells once with PBS or serum-free culture medium. Centrifuge at 300g for 5 minutes, discard the supernatant and collect the pellet.
- b. Add 1ml Cell lysis buffer for IP (already added with Protease Inhibitor Cocktail) per 10⁷ cells and mix well by gently pipetting to ensure sufficient contact between the lysis buffer and cells. Rotate at 2-8°C for 15 minutes at 20 rpm.
- c. Sonicate at low temperature for 1 minute.
- d. Centrifuge the tube at $14,000 \times g$, at 4° C for 10 minutes, carefully transfer the supernatant to a new tube.

(2) Suspension cell culture

- a. Centrifuge suspension cells at 300g for 5 minutes, discard the supernatant, collect the pellet.
- b. Add 1ml Cell lysis buffer for IP (already added with Protease Inhibitor Cocktail) per 10⁷ cells and mix well by gently pipetting to ensure sufficient contact between the lysis buffer and cells. Rotate at 2-8°C for 15 minutes at 20 rpm. After lysis, there should be no obvious precipitate.
- c. Sonicate at low temperature for 1 minute.
- d. Centrifuge the tube at $14,000 \times g$, at 4° C for 10 minutes, carefully transfer the supernatant to a new tube.

(3) Tissue sample

- a. Cut the tissue into small pieces.
- b. Take tissue that has been frozen for more than 30 minutes in liquid nitrogen or an ultra-low temperature freezer, quickly grind it with liquid nitrogen. Limit the grinding time within 1-2 minutes to avoid protein degradation. Add 1ml Cell lysis buffer for IP (already added with Protease Inhibitor Cocktail) per 100-200mg tissue.
- c. Rotate at 4°C for 15 minutes to ensure complete lysis.

[Alternatively,

- b. Add 1ml Cell lysis buffer for IP (already added with Protease Inhibitor Cocktail) per 100-200mg tissue.
- c. Homogenize with a glass homogenizer or tissue grinder at low temperature until fully lysed, limit the process within 1-2 minutes to avoid protein degradation.]
- d. Sonicate at low temperature for 2 minutes.
- e. Centrifuge the tube at $14,000 \times g$, at 4° C for 10 minutes, carefully transfer the supernatant to a new tube.

2. Magnetic Beads Pre-treatment:

- (1) Invert or vortex the Magnetic Beads to mix well (no separation in the solution).
- (2) Transfer $30\text{-}40\mu\text{l}$ Magnetic Beads to a new EP tube, add $500\mu\text{l}$ of pre-cooled Cell lysis buffer for IP. Use 1ml-pipette to gently mix 10 times at a steady speed. Place the tube in a magnetic separation rack for 2 minutes, discard the supernatant. Repeat washing step twice for a total of 3 washes.

3. Protein Binding:

- (1) Add the antigen-containing sample (usually 300μ l, total protein amount $200\text{-}500\mu\text{g}$ or purified protein amount $20\mu\text{g}$) to the pre-treated Magnetic Beads, mix well and incubate at 4°C with gentle agitation for 2 hours or overnight.
- (2) Place the tube in magnetic separation rack for 2 minutes, discard the supernatant.
- (3) Add 500µl pre-cooled Cell lysis buffer for IP (already added with Protease Inhibitor Cocktail), use 1ml-pipette to gently mix 10 times at a steady speed. Place the tube in magnetic separation rack for 2 minutes, discard the supernatant. Repeat washing step 3 times for a total of 4 washes.

4. Antigen Elution:

(1) Denaturing Elution:

This method is suitable for SDS-PAGE detection analysis.

- a. After removing the supernatant from magnetic beads, add 35µl of 1X SDS-PAGE Loading Buffer, mix well, and heat at 95°C for 10 minutes.
- b. Place the tube in magnetic separation rack. Collect the supernatant for SDS-PAGE detection.

[Alternatively,

- a. Remove the tube from magnetic separation rack, add 35 μ l of non-reduced 1X SDS sample buffer, mix well, let it stand at room temperature for 10 minutes. Place the tube back in magnetic separation rack, collect the supernatant.
- b. Add 10X DTT, heat at 95°C for 10 minutes, and perform SDS-PAGE detection.]

(2) Non-denaturing Elution:

a. After removing the supernatant from magnetic beads, add 50µl elution buffer, mix

well, and incubate at room temperature for 5 minutes.

- b. Place the tube in magnetic separation rack for 2 minutes, collect the supernatant into a new EP tube.
- c. Add neutralization buffer to adjust the pH to 7.0-8.0. This sample can be used for subsequent functional analysis.