

NucleoSpin[®] Tissue – purification of DNA from methicillin-resistant *Staphylococcus aureus* (MRSA) (Rev. 01)

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Additional equipment needed:

- Water bath(s) or heating block(s)
- Lysozyme (10 mg/mL) and lysostaphin (10 mg/mL)

Additional preparations before starting:

- Set incubators or water baths to 37 °C and 70 °C, respectively.

1 Prepare sample (swabs in Stuart Medium)

Vortex vigorously for **1 min** in order to remove all bacteria cells from the swab. Remove the swab and centrifuge the sample for **5 min** at **8,000 x g**. Remove and discard supernatant.

2 Pre-lyse cells

Resuspend the pellet in **160 µL 50 mM EDTA (pH 8)** by pipetting up and down. For efficient lysis, add **20 µL of 10 mg/mL lysozyme** and **20 µL of 10 mg/mL lysostaphin**. Vortex vigorously and incubate for **30–60 min** at **37 °C**. Vortex occasionally during incubation or use a shaking incubator.

3 Lyse cells

Add **200 µL Buffer B3**, vortex vigorously and incubate at **70 °C** for **10 min**. Vortex briefly.

Proceed with step 4 of the standard protocol ('Adjust DNA binding conditions').