

NucleoSpin[®] Food – isolation of genomic DNA from honey or pollen (Rev. 01)

This supplementary protocol is developed for the isolation of genomic DNA from 10 g honey or a small pellet of pollen.

This protocol is only a supplement to the kit's general user manual. Please refer to the kit manual for more detailed information regarding safety instructions, product-specific disclaimers, and especially preparations needed before starting the procedure. The latest version of the user manual is available at *www.mn-net.com/usermanuals* or can be requested from our technical service (tech-bio@mn-net.com). Material safety data sheets (MSDS) can be downloaded from *www.mn-net.com/MSDS*.

Additional equipment needed:

- 50 mL tube
- Water (PCR-grade, MilliQ-grade)
- 3 mm tungsten carbide beads
- Bead mill (e.g., FastPrep 24^{®*}, Precellys^{®*}, Retsch mill*)
- · 2 mL reaction tubes with lid

1 Prepare sample

Weigh 10 g honey in a 50 mL tube and add 45 mL water.

Incubate at $65 \,^\circ C$ with shaking for $30 \,$ min or until the honey has completely dissolved.

2 Harvest pollen

Centrifuge for 15 min at 5,000 x g.

Discard supernatant and resuspend the pellet in 200 µL water.

3 Disrupt pollen

Transfer the sample to a 2 mL reaction tube, add a **3 mm tungsten carbide beads**, and close the lid.

Homogenize the sample for 1-2 min in a bead mill.

^{*} For technical or safety information of additional equipment mentioned in this protocol, please refer to the manufacturer's instructions.

4 Lyse sample

Add 400 µL Buffer CF and 10 µL Proteinase K and mix carefully.

Proceed with the 'Protocol for genomic DNA purification from food' starting with the incubation in step 2.

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