

Quality Assessment of MeDIP

DNA Concentration:

DNA concentration can be determined by NanoDrop ND-1000 reading of A₂₆₀.
 $A_{260} \times \text{dilution factor} \times 50 = \mu\text{g DNA / ml}$

DNA Purity:

DNA purity can be determined by NanoDrop ND-1000 readings of A₂₆₀:A₂₈₀ and A₂₆₀:A₂₃₀ ratios.

Specificity of MeDIP:

Specificity of methylated DNA by immunoprecipitation can be assessed using Real-time quantitative PCR for highly methylated and unmethylated genes.

1. Setup qPCR assay for assessment of MeDIP Quality:

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| qPCR Assay | Input DNA | MeDIP DNA | Mock IP (Non-Immune serum) |
| | Positive Control Primer set* | | |

* Positive Control Primer set: Primers design according to specific methylated site

2. MeDIP -qPCR Data Analysis (Ct method):

- a) Normalize each MeDIP DNA fractions' Ct value to the Input DNA fraction Ct value for the same qPCR Assay (Ct) to account for chromatin sample preparation differences. Calculate the % Input for each MeDIP fraction:

$$\%Input = 2^{(Ct_{Input} - Ct_{MeDIP})} \times Fd \times 100\%$$

Here, Fd is Input dilution factor.

For example, if 100ul sonicated sample is used for MeDIP and 20ul sonicated sample is used as Input, Fd = 1/5.

- b) Adjust the normalized MeDIP fraction Ct value for the normalized background (mock IP) fraction Ct value.

$$Ct [MeDIP /mock IP] = Ct [normalized MeDIP] - Ct [normalized mock IP]$$

3. Assessment of MeDIP Quality:

- a) The Input DNA Ct value should be less than 30.
- b) The % Input for the mock IP DNA fraction should be less than 0.01%.
- c) The MeDIP DNA Ct value should be at least one cycle less than the mock IP DNA Ct value (Ct [mock] – Ct [MeDIP] > 1.0) to be considered quantitatively above the background signal (noise) for the sample.