Cell lysis

Aim of the experiment

The purpose of this experiment is to use ultrasound to disrupt E. coli cells and release proteins.

Materials

- Phosphate Buffered Saline (1×) (PBS Buffer)
- Phenylmethyl sulfonyl fluoride (PMSF)
- Centrifuge
- Vortex oscillator
- Ultrasonic disruptor

Procedure

- 1. Mix the thawed protein thawed cell pellet with 1×PBS buffer at a ratio of 10g/L, suspend it with a vortex shaker and add 0.5 mM PMSF.
- 2. Lyse cells using ultrasound (3s pulse, 30 % amplitude, 8s pause).
- 3. Centrifuge the crushing liquid for 10 minutes at 4°C, 12000rpm
- **4.** Transfer the supernatant into a clean tube.