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## Introduction

The DNA purification cleanup Kit allows to remove residual DNA from previous reactions. In this page, we expose how we have done it in our laboratory.

## Materials

- › Monarch® PCR & DNA Cleanup Kit
- › DNA sample: from PCR amplification

## Procedure

### Before Starting

1. The input amount of DNA to be **purified** should not exceed the binding capacity of the column (5 µg).
2. **Centrifugation** should be carried out at **16,000 x g** in a standard laboratory microcentrifuge at room temperature.
3. For the 50-prep kit, add 14 ml of isopropanol to the **DNA Cleanup Binding Buffer**.
4. For the 50-prep kit, add 20 ml of ethanol to the Monarch **DNA Wash Buffer**.
5. Always keep all buffer bottles **tightly closed** when not in use.

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6. **Dilute** sample with DNA Cleanup Binding Buffer according to the table below. Mix well by pipetting up and down or flicking the tube. Do not vortex. A starting sample volume of 20–100 µl is recommended. For smaller samples, TE can be used to adjust the volume.

#### DNA sample dilution

| ↖ | A  | B                               | C             |
|---|--|---------------------------------|---------------|
| 1 | SAMPLE TYPE                              | RATIO OF BINDING BUFFER: SAMPLE | EXAMPLE       |
| 2 | dsDNA > 2 kb (plasmids, gDNA)            | 2:1                             | 200 µl:100 µl |
| 3 | dsDNA < 2 kb (some amplicons, fragments) | 5:1                             | 500 µl:100 µl |
| 4 | ssDNA > 200 nt**                         | 7:1                             | 700 µl:100 µl |

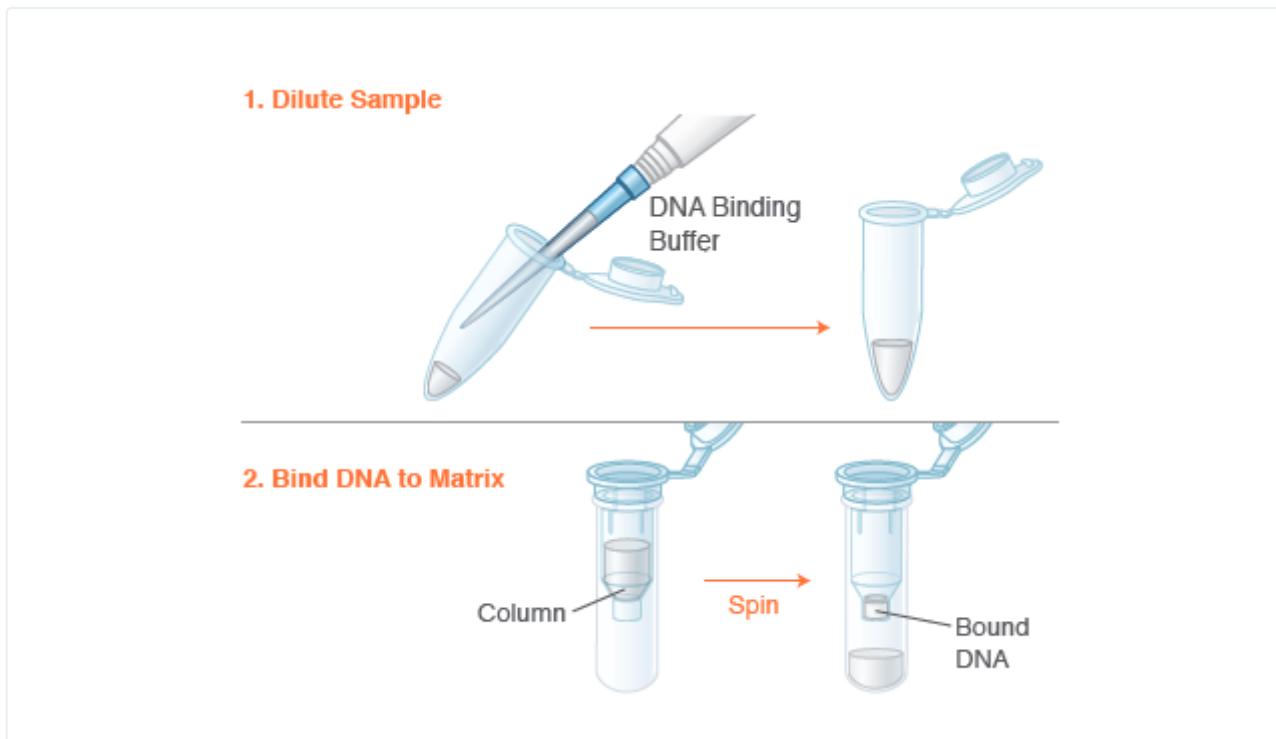
7. **Insert** column into collection tube and load sample onto column and close the cap. Spin for 1 minute, then discard flow-through.

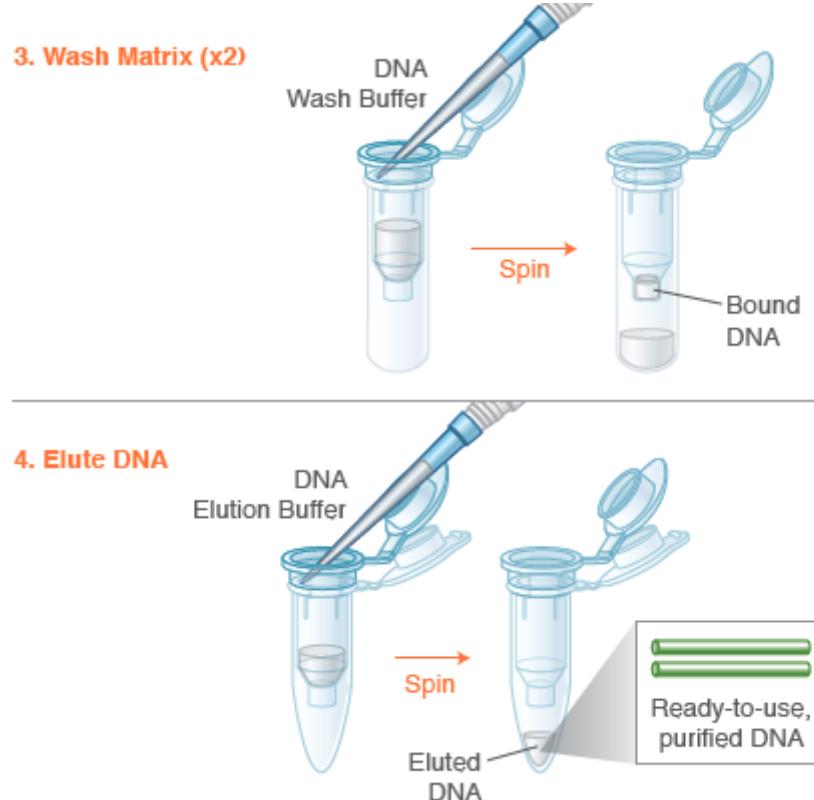
8. **Re-insert** column into collection tube. Add 200  $\mu$ l DNA Wash Buffer and spin for 1 minute. Discarding flow-through is optional.

9. **Repeat** wash (Step 11).

10. **Transfer** column to a clean 1.5 ml microfuge tube. Whilst, use care to ensure that the tip of the column does not come into contact with the flow-through. If in doubt, re-spin for 1 minute to ensure traces of salt and ethanol are not carried over to next step.

11. **Add**  $\geq$  6  $\mu$ l of DNA Elution Buffer to the center of the matrix. Wait for 1 minute, then spin for 1 minute to elute DNA [1].





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