

# Immunoblot

## Preparing the cells for an immunoblot:

### 1. For analysis of intracellular expression

- centrifuge **1 ml cell culture** at 3000 g for 5 minutes
- remove supernatant
- resuspend the cell pellet in 0,2 ml of gel loading buffer (**lämmlä 5x**)
- boil samples at **97°C for 5- 10 minutes**
- after cooling, store the pellet at -80°C

### 2. For analysis of secretory protein expression

- centrifuge **10 ml cell culture** at 3000 g for 10 minutes
- remove supernatant
- add 2 ml of **50 % TCA** to 8 ml of the supernatant
- leave on ice for 30 minutes
- centrifuge the samples at **15000g for 15 minutes**
- remove supernatant
- wash the pellet with 1 ml of **80% acetone**, centrifuge the samples at 15000g for 15 minutes and remove the supernatant
- resuspend the cell pellet in 80 µl of gel loading buffer (**lämmlä 5x**)
- boil samples at **97°C for 5- 10 minutes**
- after cooling, store the pellet at -80°C

### **Preparing Immunoblot:**

- before loading the gel, boil the samples for 10 minutes
- load the gel with 5  $\mu$ l ladder and 20  $\mu$ l of the samples and run **(1- 1:30 hours; 600mV, 100W, 20mA)**

### **Preparing the westernblot:**

- Transfer gel to a membrane and let them run **(1- 1:30 hours; 100V; 100W; 20mA)**

### **Preparing ponceau staining:**

- wash membrane in water
- add ponceau solution to stain the proteins
- remove the ponceau staining and wash the membrane with water
- wash the membrane a few times with TBS buffer (  $\rightarrow$  **Basic Protocol**: Buffer TBS)
- wash the membrane with milk **(add 2,5g milkpowder in 50ml TBS)**  
 $\rightarrow$  until the membrane is not longer red

### **Antibody staining:**

- put primary antibodies and milk on the membrane for **1 hour**
- wash the membrane three times for 10 minutes in TBS buffer (  
→ **Basic Protocol**: Buffer TBS)
- put secondary antibodies and milk on the membrane for **1 hour**
- wash the membrane three times for 10 minutes in TBS buffer