SpeedVac

Aim: To concentrate the given DNA sample.

Materials:

- 1. SpeedVac machine
- 2. DNA Samples
- 3. 1.5mL microcentrifuge tubes
- 4. Nanodrop spectrophotometer
- 5. Pipettes and pipette tips

Procedure:

There is no standard protocol for concentrating DNA mixture, hence we can follow the steps to do experiments on a trial and error basis.

- 1. Be ready with your samples (samples in a 1.5mL microcentrifuge tube is recommended) to be concentrated.
- 2. Open the lid of the speedVac device and put your samples with an opened cap in speedVac. Close the lid of SpeedVac.
- 3. Ensure that the lid is closed and set the parameters (temperature and centrifuge speed) with respect to your samples. (we did it for 40°C, 1500RPM for 10min with 50microL DNA samples.)
- 4. Set time on a device before you start the vacuum instrument and speedVac device.
- 5. Start the speedVac device followed by a vacuum instrument.
- 6. Once its done the speedVac device will give a beeping sound.
- 7. Again check your DNA conc in the sample using a nanodrop spectrophotometer.
- 8. And we can repeat the experiment until we get the desired conc of the sample.