Prep Monday June 15th – Crowders MT State Park.

Weller AM: collect chaperones, print out directions, break up half of the dry ice and put in cooler in car, put some wet ice in another cooler in the car, get travel pack for dry ice during hiking.

Bring Baggies, Microfuge tubes, wooden sticks and Sharpies for each student team and some extra.

Bring water, sun screen, bug spray, snacks, first-aid kit, Benedryl cream as well as personal backpack, camera, lunch, large cooler with dry ice, small travel pack for dry ice. Extra Baggies, microfuge tubes, sticks and pens

Weller PM: return samples to the -80 freezer. Print out protocols for Tuesday and Wednesday. Post pictures, journal entry from Gypsy, presentations, etc. Download images, charge camera. Make solutions listed for Tuesday if not already done.

Prep Tuesday OHS room 240 Science Lab

Weller: Bring 3 microscale balances. Bring BSA. Bring solutions and carboy of water. To put by the microscope: leaves and scrapings of the fungus that were not frozen.

Bring 10X F, 5X H and 50% G solutions. Bring gr-TE solution. Bring CHCl₃. Bring 1L each of solutions A,B,C,D. Bring herring sperm DNA.

- 1. Next to each balance place
 - a. 100 ml Beaker of water
 - b. 50ml tube of 50% glycerol
 - c. Parafilm squares
 - d. Small weigh boats
 - e. Kimwipes.
- 2. Each bench (per team) should have as basic equipment/disposables
 - a. 3 each of these serological pipettes (2,5,10)
 - b. Green pipette pump
 - c. Micropipetter set
 - d. Micropipetter tips for each.
 - e. Minifuge
 - f. Vortexer
 - g. Boxes with microfuge tubes
 - h. Waste box for tips and tubes
 - i. Kimwipes
 - j. Racks for tubes
 - k. Sharpie marking pens
- 3. Reagents per bench should include
 - a. 5 x 15-ml tubes, each containing 15 ml of a solution labeled A=5M KCl, C=10% SDS (soap), B=Corn syrup, and D=oil, E = isopropanol. Color each to be a different color.

- i. Note: combining equal volumes of 3M KCl and 5% SDS should lead to a precipitate (10ul of each was added to a 100ul starting concentration so we might get away with less).
- b. 4 x 15-ml Tubes, empty
- c. 1 x 15-ml tube of isopropanol per team.
- d. 3 x 1.7ml tubes labeled 10X F (0.5M DTT, 5% SDS), 5X H (1M KCl) and 50% G (glycerol), add 200ul of the provided stock solutions to each.
- e. 1 x 1.5ml 3M sodium acetate per team
- f. 1 x 1.5ml tube of chloroform (CHCl3)
- g. 1 x 15 ml tube of ethanol per team.
- h. 1 x1.5 ml microfuge tube labeled DNA with 100ul of herring sperm DNA and 20ul of 3M sodium acetate.
- i. 1 x 1.5 ml microfuge tubes labeled BSA with with 100ul of BSA + 250ul of gr-TE.
- j. Place some of the autoclaved Nanodrop water (orange-cap reagent bottles) into 15 ml tubes label as Molecular Biology grade water.

PM Weller prep: Cut Miracloth squares, put in Baggies. Make 1L of grinding buffer and 1L of 2XCTAB buffer to bring in. Aliquot the beta-mercaptoethanol, sorbitol, and PVPP and Tween. Bring clean mortars and pestles. Bring Chloroform. Bring Biohazard waste bag, organic waste bottle and secondary container. Bring Popsicle sticks for scraping mortars. Bring another microfuge. Bring some squares of foil to set the mortars in ice in.

Prep Wednesday (Day 1 DNA purification)

Weller: Bring crushed ice for ice buckets and dry ice for procedure. Bring the leaf samples collected this year at Crowders (on dry ice). Bring leaves from 7 of the Cataloochee offspring.

- 1. Make sure the large-format centrifuge is out and have a balance next to it with a beaker on it for balancing the tubes.
- 2. Make sure the water bath is full and being heated to 65C.
- 3. Make sure the minifuges and microfuges are set out.
- 4. Verify that Miracloth is at each bench, in a Baggie with a weigh boat (x2)
- 5. Place a Baggie with 3-4 Popsicle sticks in it at each bench.
- 6. Place an ice bucket, 2 mortars and 2 pestles are at each bench.
 - a. Fill the ice bucket with wet ice and embed one of the mortars in it.
- 7. Place 4 x 15 ml Falcon tubes at each bench
- 8. Make sure the large-format centrifuge is plugged in, and that there is a balance next to it with a small beaker for placing tubes in (for adjusting balance).
- 9. Make sure there is a bag of 9 x 5 ml serological pipettes and a green pipette pump in the chemical hood.
- 10. Make sure the Biohazard waste containers are set up in the hood.
- 11. Place 2 x 5 ml serological pipettes and a green pipette pump at each station.
- 12. Aliquot 14 ml of Grinding buffer per station (use a 15 ml tube) label it
- 13. Aliquot 14 ml of CTAB buffer per station
- 14. Make a 50-50 mixture of Grinding Buffer and CTAB buffer, then dispense 1.5ml per station in a 1.7ml microfuge tube.

- 15. Provide 1ml of 5M NaCl in a 1.7ml microfuge tube per station.
- 16. Place 0.5 gm of PVP and 0.5gm of sorbitol in a 1.5 ml microfuge tube and place at each station.
- 17. Measure 500ul of beta-mercaptoethanol into a 1.5 ml microfuge tube and place at each station.
- 18. Measure 500ul of Tween 20 into a 1.5ml microfuge tube and place at each station
- 19. Place 40 ml of isopropanol into a 50 ml tube and place at each station.
- 20. Place 40ml of 70% isopropanol in a 50 ml tube at each station.
- 21. Place 1.5ml of 70% ethanol in a 1.7ml microfuge tube per station
- 22. Place 1.5ml of 100% ethanol in a 1.7ml microfuge tube per station
- 23. Verify that there is a 1.5ml tube of 3M sodium acetate at each bench.

Weller - return microbalances at the end of Tuesday.

Prep Weller PM: put all enzymes in container :Proteinase K and RNAase A, RE, ligase, Taq Pol in container to bring tomorrow.

Prep Thurs. (Day 2 DNA purification)

Weller: bring coolers with crushed ice for ice buckets, enzymes, microfuge.

- 1. Make up 20 ml of 1X TE from the 100X stock. Aliquot 1 ml into a 1.5 ml microfuge tubes and place at each station.
- 2. Set a heating block to 37C (or the water bath)
- 3. Aliquot 25ul of RNAase A into a 0.5ml microfuge tube and place at each station
- 4. Place 50ul of Proteinase K into a 0.5 ml microfuge tubes and place at each station
- 5. Put 10ml of ethanol into a 15 ml tube and place at each station
- 6. Make sure there is a 1.5ml tube of 3M Sodium Acetate (NaOAc) at each station
- 7. Make up 100ml of 70% ethanol by measuring 70ml of 100% ethanol in a graduated cylinder and adding 30ml of molecular biology grade water.
 - a. Place 10ml of 70% ethanol in a labeled 15ml tube and place at each station.
- 8. Make sure there are Kimwipes at each station.
- 9. Make sure there is a 1.5ml tube with 3M sodium acetate at each station.
- 10. Place the phenol-chloroform bottle in the chemical hood, with a 1000 ul micropipetter and the appropriate tips. Set the micropipetter to 500ul.
- 11. Make sure the chemical disposal bottle is labeled Organic Waste and the contaminated waste bag is present in the hood.
- 12. Make sure the high-speed microfuges are available .
- 13. Place the phenol-chloroform bottle in the chemical hood, with a 1000 ul micropetter and the appropriate tips.

Weller PM: buy dry ice for tomorrow. Buy water, snacks, gardening gloves. Make up 5 Baggies_Sharpies for each group. Collect some Popsicle sticks and microfuge tubes, put in a Baggie for each group to collect fungus.

Prep Friday - Hendersonville

Weller: Collect chaperones, print out directions, bring a cooler of ice and some dry ice. Bring a couple of trash bags, Kleenex packets.

Bring water, sun screen, bug spray, snacks, first-aid kit, Benedryl cream as well as personal backpack, camera, lunch, gardening gloves.