

7. 20X SSC (1 L; can store for months at room temperature): 175 g NaCl, 88.23 g Na citrate, to 1 L with ddH<sub>2</sub>O.
8. Southern base (make fresh before use): 850 mL ddH<sub>2</sub>O, 20 g NaOH, 87.7 g NaCl (after NaOH has dissolved), adjust volume to 1 L.
9. Southern neutralization solution (1 L; can store for months at room temperature): 800 mL ddH<sub>2</sub>O, 60.5 g Trizma base, 175.3 g NaCl, adjust pH to 7.0 with HCl, adjust volume to 1 L.
10. Prehybridization solution (100 mL; can store for months at -20°C): 30 mL 20X SSC, 20 mL 50X Denhardt's solution, 50 mL ddH<sub>2</sub>O.
11. Hybridization solution (10 mL; can store for months at -20°C): 3 mL 20X SSC, 1 mL 50X Denhardt's, 200 µL 1M Tris-HCl, pH 8.0, 100 µL 10% SDS, 100 µL 0.5M EDTA, 250 µL 0.1M Na pyrophosphate, 5.35 mL ddH<sub>2</sub>O.
12. Salmon sperm DNA (10 mg/mL in water) (*see Note 3*).
13. 6X Wash mix (1 L, can store for months at room temperature): 300 mL 20X SSC, 10 mL 20% SDS, 10 mL 0.5M EDTA, 680 mL ddH<sub>2</sub>O.
14. 0.3X Wash mix (1 L, can store for months at room temperature): 15 mL 20X SSC, 5 mL 20% SDS, 980 mL ddH<sub>2</sub>O.
15. Scientific imaging film (e.g., Kodak X-OMAT XAR-5, Eastman Kodak, Rochester, NY).

### 3. Methods

#### 3.1. Extraction of DNA for PCR Reactions

##### 3.1.1. DNA Extraction from Leaves for PCR

Unless otherwise noted, all steps should be carried out at room temperature.

1. Add liquid nitrogen to a collected leaf sample (e.g., *see* Chapter 40; **Subheading 3.4**) and grind to a fine powder in a 1.5-mL microcentrifuge tube with a pellet pestle.
2. Add 300 µL of extraction buffer, mix, and incubate extract in a water bath (65°C, 30–60 min).
3. Centrifuge briefly (15,000g, 30 s) to pellet cellular debris.
4. Transfer 150 µL of supernatant to another 1.5-mL microcentrifuge tube.
5. Add 150 µL of isopropanol and mix by inversion.
6. Incubate at room temperature for at least 5 min.
7. Centrifuge (15,000g, 5 min) to pellet precipitate.
8. Aspirate and discard each supernatant with a fresh pipet tip.
9. Dry pellets briefly under vacuum.
10. Dissolve each pellet in 30–50 µL TE (depending on the size of the DNA pellet).

##### 3.1.2. DNA Extraction from Callus for PCR

This is a modification of the method of Agudo et al. (**3**). If scaled up, sufficient quantities of digestible DNA can be isolated from callus for genomic blot analysis.

1. Put 10–100 mg of callus tissue in a 1.5-mL microcentrifuge tube, add 300 µL of extraction buffer, and homogenize, using a pellet pestle.
2. Incubate the extract in a water bath (65°C, 30–60 min).