

SI3: Nsp3Y

Table 1: General Information

1	Protein Name (according to NCBI Reference Sequence NC_045512.2)
	ORF1a and ORF1ab; nsp3
2	Region/Name/Further Specification
	Nsp3-Y / Cov-Y
3	Sequence of “fl” protein (aa 1638-1945 of complete nsp3, according to NCBI Reference Sequence NC_045512.2)
	DTFCAGSTFISDEVARDLQLQKRPINPTDQSSYIVDSVTVKNGSIHLYFDKAGQKTYERHSLSHF VNLDNLRANNTKGSPLINVIVFDGKSKCEESSAKSASVYYSQLMCQPILLDDQALVSDVGDSE VAVKMFDAYVNTFSSTFNVPMEKLTVAATAEAEAKNVSLDNVLSSTFISAAARQGFVDSVET KDVVECLKLSHQSDIEVTGDCSNYMLTYNKVENMTPRDLGACIDCSARHINAQVAKSHNIAL IWNVKDFMSLSEQLRKQIRSAAKNNLFPKLTCAATTRQVVNVVTTKIALKGG
4	Protein boundaries of expressed construct (according to NCBI Reference Sequence NC_045512.2)
	aa 1,638-1,945 of complete nsp3
5	Ratio for construct design (detailed and comprehensible)
	We took the C-terminal part of nsp3 after predicted transmembrane region and Y1 domain that consists of two sequential zinc finger motifs.
6	Sequence homology (to SCoV)
	Identity: 89%; similarity: 96%
7	Published structures (SCoV2 or homologue variants)
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8	(Published) assignment (SCoV2 or homologue variants)
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Table 2: Protein Expression

1	Expression vector
	pET28b(+) (GenScript)
2	Purification-/Solubility-Tag
	N-terminal His ₆
3	Cleavage Site
	TEV
4	Molecular weight / Extinction coefficient / pI - of cleaved protein
	34 kDa / 17,420 M ⁻¹ cm ⁻¹ / 6.66
5	Comments on sequence of expressed construct

	N-terminal „G” one artificial residue due to TEV-cleavage.
6	Used expression strain
	<i>E. coli</i> BL21 (DE3)
7	Cultivation medium
	LB / M9 (uniformly ¹⁵ N or ¹³ C, ¹⁵ N-labeling)
8	Induction system
	IPTG inducible T7 promoter
9	Induction of protein expression
	0.5 mM IPTG at OD ₆₀₀ 0.7
10	Cultivation temperature and time
	18°C for 15-16 h

Table 3: Protein Purification

1	Buffer List
A	20 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0), 300 mM NaCl, 10 mM imidazole, 0.1 mM PMSF, 5 mM bME, 0.1 mg/mL lysozyme, cOmplete EDTA-free inhibitor (Cell disruption).
B	20 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0), 300 mM NaCl, 20 mM imidazole (IMAC).
C	50 mM Tris-HCl (pH 8.0), 200 mM NaCl, 2 mM DTT (TEV-cleavage).
D	50 mM HEPES (pH 6.9), 200 mM LiBr, 5 mM DTT.
2	Purification steps (with corresponding buffer(s) and incubation times)
A	Cell disruption in buffer 1A by sonication.
B	IMAC (gravity flow Ni ²⁺ -NTA) (Thermo Scientific), wash with buffer 1B and elution with 250 mM imidazole in buffer 1B .
C	TEV-cleavage (5% (w/w) TEV protease per approximate amount of the protein) in buffer 1C o.n. at rt.
D	Inv. IMAC (gravity flow Ni ²⁺ -NTA) in buffer 1C .
E	SEC on 10/300 GL SD 200 (GE Healthcare) in buffer 1D .

Table 4: Final sample

1	Yield
	12 mg/L ¹³ C, ¹⁵ N-M9 medium
2	Stability
	Stable at 25°C at protein concentration below 0.4 mM for 3 to 5 days or at 30°C o.n.. The protein gradually degrades at rt. After one week, we observe an additional band on SDS gel at ~27 kDa.
3	Comment on applicability

	The protein is suitable for NMR assignment and protein interaction studies at low temperature (20-25°C) and reasonably low concentration (< 0.2 mM).
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