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Object  $\Rightarrow$  To perform <sup>the</sup> gel electrophoresis by nucleic protein acid.

Reference  $\Rightarrow$  Walker John, Wilson Keith, "Practical Biochemistry principle and technique", 5th edi., published by Cambridge University, pp no. - 58-590.

Requirements  $\Rightarrow$ 

Chemical  $\Rightarrow$  TAC, Ethidium bromide, Agarose, Bromo phenol blue staining agent, etc

Apparatus  $\Rightarrow$  Transilluminator, castic tray, Gel combs,

Equipment  $\Rightarrow$  Beaker, glass rod etc.

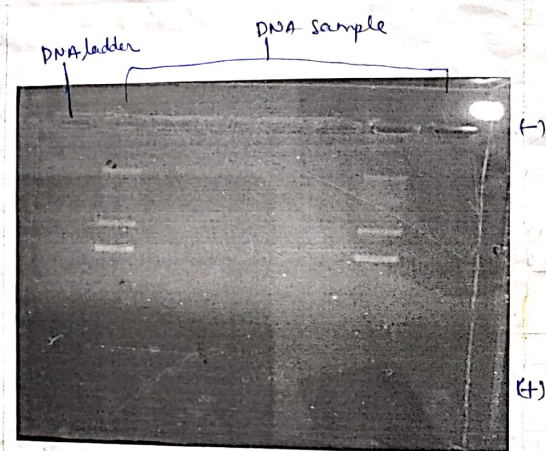
Theory  $\Rightarrow$ Gel Electrophoresis

$\rightarrow$  The migration of charge particle under the influence of electric or magnetic field is k/as electrophoresis. and when this technique uses then gel (agarose) then the name this technique agarose gel electrophoresis.

Agarose gel  $\Rightarrow$  Agarose is a highly purified polysaccharide derived from agar a natural product of red seaweed.

$\rightarrow$  Gel electrophoresis is a technique used to separate DNA fragment according to their size DNA. Sample are located into wells at one end of gel and an electric current is applied to pull them through the gel.

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DNA sample are loaded into well

Power is turned on & DNA fragments migrate through gel.

→ If we want to exact pattern of DNA we can use gel Doc system.

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Types of gel electrophoresis - Agarose gel, polyacrylamide gel

→ Paused vertically, separate small molecules, neurotoxics used for protein and DNA separation

Types of buffer - TAE - Tris acetate EDTA buffer  
TBE - Tris borate EDTA buffer

Analysis of DNA ⇒

→ Quantitative :- To check or determine the Qty of DNA / agarose gel

→ Qualitative :- To check the Quality of the DNA / agarose gel

Principle ⇒ When we place any charge molecule in an electric field, they move toward the positive or negative pole according to the charge they are having. Proteins don't have any net charge where nucleic acid have a negative charge so they move towards the anode when electric field applied.

Staining agent ⇒ Ethidium bromide is a intercalating agent which is use to stain the gel during electrophoresis and visualize DNA band.

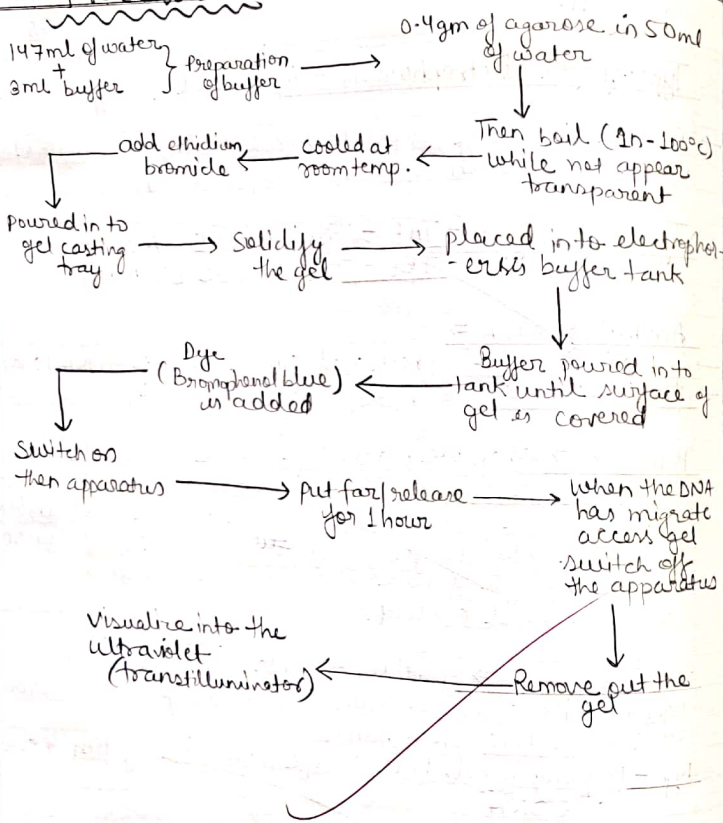
Dye - Bromophenol blue is dye & tracking system it track the DNA

Procedure / methodology ⇒

Preparation of gel - To make a gel 0.4 gm of agarose is dissolve in 50 ml of water.

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Preparation of buffer ⇒ Take 147 of distilled water & dissolve in 3ml of buffer

- To make a gel, agarose powder is mixed with an electrophoresis buffer and heated to a high temp. until all of agarose powder has melted.
- The melted gel is then poured in a gel casting tray & comb is placed at one end to make well.
- Once the gel has cool & solidify the comb is removed.
- The gel is then placed in electrophoresis tank & electrophoresis buffer is poured into the tank until the surface of the gel is covered. The buffer conduct the electric current.

Preparing DNA for electrophoresis = A dye is added to the sample of DNA prior to electrophoresis to ↑ the viscosity of the sample which will prevent it from floccing out of well so migration of the sample can seen

- A DNA marker (ladder) is loaded into the first well of the gel.
- Well this is done the lid is placed on the tank making sure that the orientation of gel +ve & -ve.

Separating the fragment ⇒ The electric current is then turned on so that negatively charge DNA move through the gel toward the positive side of the gel

- Shorter length / low m.w DNA moves faster than the higher m.w / longer length, so move further in the time current is run.

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- The distance the DNA has ~~is~~ migrate in the gel can be judge-visualy by monitoring the migration of the loading buffer dye
- The electric current is left on long enough (1 hr) to ensure that the DNA fragments move far enough across the gel to say separate them!
- ~~Visualizing the result ⇒ Once the DNA has migrated for enough across the gel, the electrical current is switched off and the gel is removed from the tank~~
- To visualize the DNA, the gel is stained with fluorescent dye that bind to the DNA & is placed on an ultraviolet transilluminator which will show up the stained as bright band.

Result ⇒ We have successfully observed the DNA bonding pattern which was given (plasmid DNA.)

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