Methods of Lipid analysis

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Folch method

<u>Principle:</u> lipids are extracted by chloroform-methanol mixture, extract is washed from water soluble impurity, dried and then obtained precipitate is weighted.

*nonpolar solvents (chlorophorm, benzol, diethyl ether): destroy complexes arranged by hydrophobic interactions.

*polar solvents (ethanol, methanol): destroy hydrophilic and electrostatic bonds.

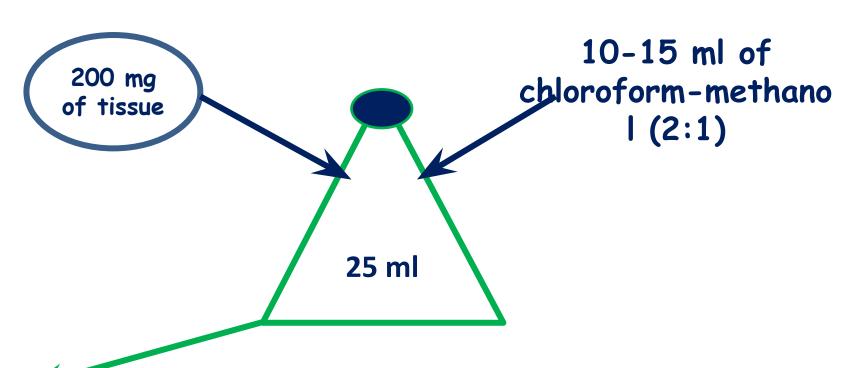
Reagents: Chloroform and methanol (2:1)

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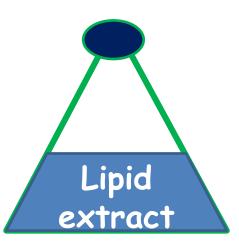
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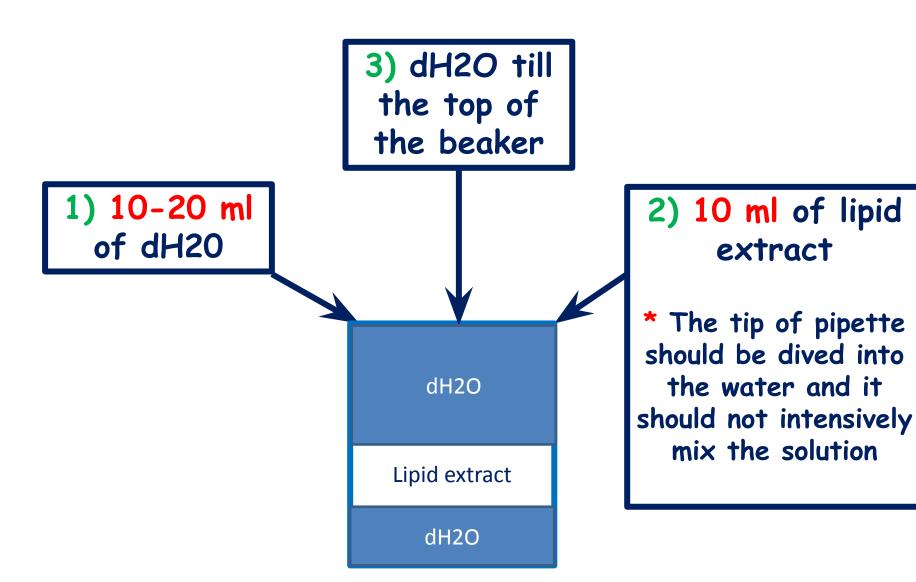
- 1. Extraction
- 2. Purification
- 3. Drying
- 4. Weighting of dry lipid extract

Extraction



- *Shake 3-5 min
- *Volume of Chl-Met, is reached to 25 ml
- *Mixing
- *Filtration (Filter paper)



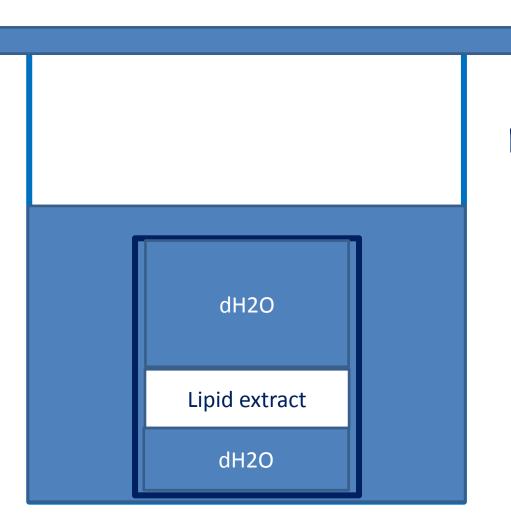




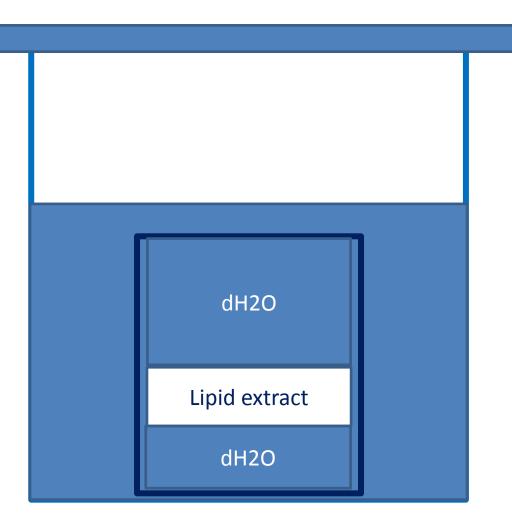
Lipid extract

dH2O

500-600 ml of dH20



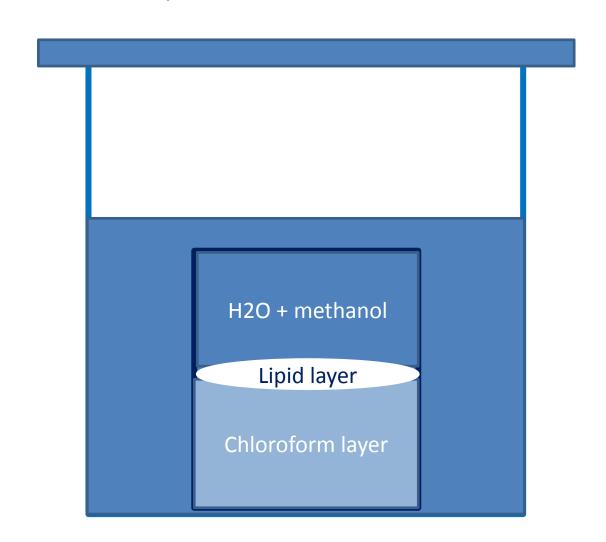
Covered with glass plate and stayed for a night



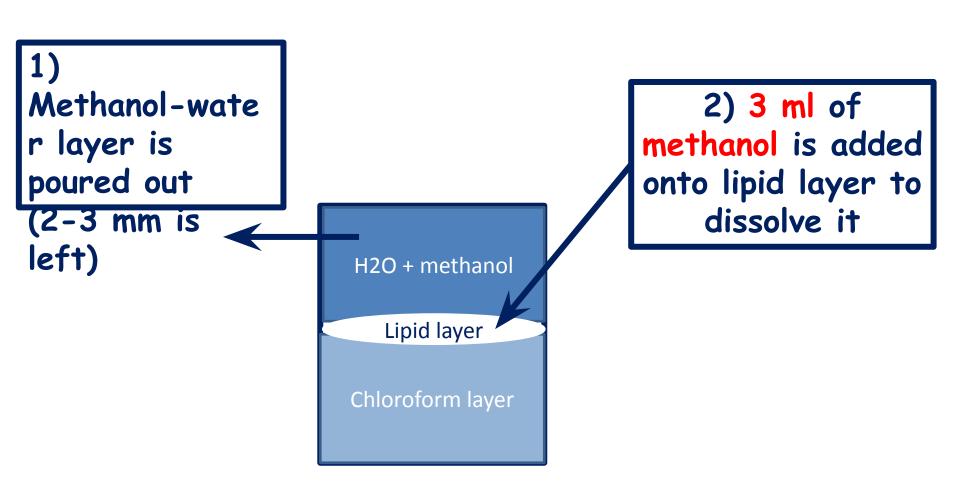
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*Water soluble components diffused into water

*Next day...



*Little beaker is taken away from the vessel



Drying and calculation

- *After dissolving of lipid layer, mixture is poured into clean and dry beaker (weighted beforehand)
- *Then drying is implemented by vaporization on water bath, and continued in thermostat at 50-60°C
 - *Dry precipitate is weighted
- *Lipid consistency is calculated due to mass of dry precipitate in g per kg of initial studying tissue mass.

Thanks for attention!