# **PROTOCOL: GCP Protein Desalt (OASIS)**

# **Purpose**

To remove salts from the samples before trypsin digest.

# **Preparation**

1. Prepare reagents as needed

### **Materials**

- HPLC-grade water {OASIS-M01} [JT Baker, 4218-03]
- Acetonitrile (ACN) {OASIS-M02} [EMD Millipore, AX0156-1]
- Trifluoroacetic Acid (TFA) {OASIS-M03} [Sigma-Aldrich, T6508-25ML]
- Oasis HLB 5mg Plate {OASIS-M04} [Waters, 186000309]
- 500uL V-bottom plate {OASIS-M05} [VWR, 89005-016]
- Axygen -80°C Rated Foil Seal {OASIS-M06} [Axygen, PCR-AS-200]
- Breath-EASIER seal {OASIS-M07} [BERM-2000]

#### **Assets**

- 96-well Positive Pressure Desalting Platform {OASIS-A01}
- 12-channel Multichannel pipette {OASIS-A02}
- Desalting flow through waste plate {OASIS-A04}
- Thermo Scientific Savant SC210A Concentrator {OASIS-A05}

## **Reagent Mixes**

ID	Name	Step	Composition	Volume/Well	Use
MIX01	20% ACN/0.1% TFA	OASIS	20% acetonitrile {OASIS-M02}/0.1 % TFA { OASIS-M03} in HPLC-grade water {OASIS-M01}	200uL	Used to equilibrate the Oasis cartridge plate, and wash samples once they have been loaded onto the plate
MIX02	60% ACN/0.1% TFA	OASIS	60% acetonitrile {OASIS-M02}/0.1 % TFA { OASIS-M03} in HPLC-grade water {OASIS-M01}	100uL	Used to elute desalted samples from the Oasis plate

### Mix Preps and Mini-worksheets:

MIXU	1 – 20% ACN/0.1% TFA	
1.	Measure 800mL of HPLC-grade water {OASIS-M01} in a graduated cylinder and add to a 1L bottle.	
2.	Measure 200mL of acetonitrile {OASIS-M02} in a graduated cylinder and add to the bottle.	
3.	Pipette 1mL Trifluoroacetic acid {OASIS-M03} into the bottle.	
MIX0	2 – 60% ACN/0.1% TFA	
1.	Measure 400mL of HPLC-grade water {OASIS-M01} in a graduated cylinder and add to a 1L bottle.	
2.	Measure 600mL of acetonitrile {OASIS-M02} in a graduated cylinder and add to the bottle.	
3.	Pipette 1mL Trifluoroacetic acid {OASIS-M03} into the bottle.	

### Procedure

- 1. Place the Oasis HLB plate {OASIS-M04} on top of flow-through plate {OASIS-A04}.
- 2. Activate wells of OASIS plate with 200 uL of 100% acetonitrile {OASIS-M02}. Let this step flow through via gravity alone.
- 3. Equilibrate the wells of the Oasis plate with 200 uL of 20% ACN/0.1% TFA {MIX01}.
- 4. Repeat step 4.

NB: At this point check volume in waste plate. Discard waste in liquids waste bucket on the bench.

- 5. Load sample onto the Oasis plate (375uL/sample). With the multichannel pipette {Oasis-A02} mix samples 4 times, and on the 5th time draw up sample and load onto the Oasis plate. Draw up remaining volume and dispense into Oasis plate.
- 6. Wash Oasis wells with 200 uL of 20% ACN/0.1% TFA {MIX01}.
- 7. Repeat step 7.
- 8. Remove waste plate from the Oasis desalting assembly and attach the elution plate {OASIS-M05}. Elution plate should be labeled with name, date, and study.
- 9. Elute samples with 100 uL of 60% ACN/0.1% TFA {MIX02}. Let this step flow through via gravity, with as minimal assistance from the Positive Pressure Desalting Platform {OASIS-A01} as possible. When the wells look dry, slowly dial up the pressure applied by the desalting platform {OASIS-A01}, until the rest of the volume passes into the elution plate.
- 10. Remove the Oasis plate from the sample elution plate, seal the elution plate with a foil seal {OASIS-M06}, and freeze at -80°C.
- 11. Create a balance plate of 60% ACN/ 0.1%TFA {MIX02} in the same plate type as elution plate. Seal and freeze at -80°C as well.
- 12. Once plates are frozen, remove foil seal and replace with Breath-EASIER seal {OASIS-M07}.
- 13. Once both sample and balance plate are frozen, speedvac {OASIS-A05} to dryness.