EasySep™ Human CD4 Positive Selection Kit

Positive Selection

Catalog #18052

For processing 1 x 10^9 cells

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Description

Isolate highly purified CD4+ cells from fresh or previously frozen human peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) by immunomagnetic positive selection.

- Fast and easy-to-use
- Up to 99% purity
- No columns required

This kit targets CD4+ cells for positive selection with an antibody recognizing the CD4 surface marker. Desired cells are labeled with antibodies and magnetic particles, and separated without columns using an EasySep™ magnet. Unwanted cells are simply poured off, while desired cells remain in the tube. Isolated cells are immediately available for downstream applications such as flow cytometry, culture, or DNA/RNA extraction.

Component Descriptions

COMPONENT NAME	COMPONENT #	QUANTITY	STORAGE	SHELF LIFE	FORMAT
EasySep™ CD4 Positive Selection Cocktail	18052C.1	1 x 1 mL	Store at 2 - 8°C. Do not freeze.	Stable until expiry date (EXP) on label.	A combination of monoclonal antibodies in PBS.
EasySep™ Magnetic Nanoparticles Positive Selection	18150	1 x 1 mL	Store at 2 - 8°C. Do not freeze.	Stable until expiry date (EXP) on label.	A suspension of magnetic particles in water.

PBS - phosphate-buffered saline

Components may be shipped at room temperature (15 - 25°C) but should be stored as indicated above.

Sample Preparation

For available fresh and frozen samples, see www.stemcell.com/primarycells.

PERIPHERAL BLOOD

Prepare a PBMC suspension from whole peripheral blood by centrifugation over a density gradient medium (e.g. Lymphoprep™, Catalog #07801). For more rapid PBMC preparation, use the SepMate™ RUO (Catalog #86450/86415) or SepMate™ IVD* (Catalog #85450/85415) cell isolation tube.

If using previously frozen PBMCs, incubate the cells with DNase I Solution (Catalog #07900) at a concentration of 100 µg/mL at room temperature (15 - 25°C) for at least 15 minutes prior to labeling and separation. Filter aggregated suspensions through a 40 µm Cell Strainer (Catalog #27305) for optimal results.

After preparation, resuspend cells at 1 x 10^8 cells/mL in recommended medium.

* SepMate™ IVD is only available in select regions where it is registered as an In Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) device for the isolation of mononuclear cells (MNCs) from whole blood or bone marrow by density gradient centrifugation. In all other regions SepMate™ is available for research use only (RUO).

MONOCYTE DEPLETION

Monocyte depletion is required to isolate a pure population of CD4+ T cells because monocytes express the CD4 antigen. A monocyte-depleted mononuclear cell (MNC) suspension can be prepared from whole blood by density gradient separation using RosetteSep™ Monocyte (CD36) Depletion Cocktail (Catalog #15628). This procedure is quicker and more convenient than a magnetic separation because it combines the MNC preparation and monocyte depletion into one protocol. Monocytes can also be depleted from previously frozen MNC suspensions using EasySep™ Human CD14 Positive Selection Kit II (Catalog #17858).

Recommended Medium

EasySep™ Buffer (Catalog #20144), RoboSep™ Buffer (Catalog #20104), or PBS containing 2% fetal bovine serum (FBS) and 1 mM EDTA. Medium should be free of Ca++ and Mg++.

Directions for Use – Manual EasySep™ Protocols

See page 1 for Sample Preparation and Recommended Medium. Refer to Table 1 for detailed instructions regarding the EasySep™ procedure for each magnet.

Table 1. EasySep™ Human CD4 Positive Selection Kit Protocol

		EASYSEP™ MAGNETS	
STEP	INSTRUCTIONS	 **EasySep™ (Catalog #18000)**	**"The Big Easy" (Catalog #18001)** 
1	**Prepare sample at the indicated cell concentration within the volume range.**	1 x 10^8 cells/mL 0.1 - 2.5 mL NOTE: If starting with fewer than 1 x 10^7 cells, resuspend cells in 0.1 mL	1 x 10^8 cells/mL 0.25 - 8 mL NOTE: If starting with fewer than 2.5 x 10^7 cells, resuspend cells in 0.25 mL
	Add sample to required tube.	5 mL (12 x 75 mm) polystyrene round-bottom tube (e.g. Corning Catalog #352058)	14 mL (17 x 100 mm) polystyrene round-bottom tube (e.g. Corning Catalog #352057)
2	**Add Selection Cocktail to sample.**	100 µL/mL of sample	100 µL/mL of sample
	Mix and incubate.	RT for 15 minutes	RT for 15 minutes
3	**Mix Magnetic Particles.** **NOTE: Particles should appear evenly dispersed.**	Pipette up and down more than 5 times	Pipette up and down more than 5 times
4	**Add Magnetic Particles to sample.**	50 µL/mL of sample	50 µL/mL of sample
	Mix and incubate.	RT for 10 minutes	RT for 10 minutes
5	**Add recommended medium to top up the sample to the indicated volume. Mix by gently pipetting up and down 2 - 3 times.**	Top up to 2.5 mL	• Top up to 5 mL for samples < 1 mL • Top up to 10 mL for samples ≥ 1 mL
	Place the tube (without lid) into the magnet and incubate.	RT for 5 minutes	RT for 5 minutes
6	**Pick up the magnet, and in one continuous motion invert the magnet and tube,* pouring off the supernatant. Remove the tube from the magnet; this tube contains the isolated cells.**	Discard supernatant	Discard supernatant
7	**Repeat steps as indicated.**	Steps 5 and 6, two more times (total of 3 x 5-minute separations)	Steps 5 and 6, two more times (total of 3 x 5-minute separations)
8	**Resuspend cells in desired medium. Be sure to collect cells from the sides of the tube.**	Isolated cells are ready for use	Isolated cells are ready for use

RT - room temperature (15 - 25°C)

* Leave the magnet and tube inverted for 2 - 3 seconds, then return upright. Do not shake or blot off any drops that may remain hanging from the mouth of the tube.

Directions for Use – Fully Automated RoboSep™ Protocol

See page 1 for Sample Preparation and Recommended Medium. Refer to Table 2 for detailed instructions regarding the RoboSep™ procedure.

Table 2. RoboSep™ Human CD4 Positive Selection Kit Protocol

STEP	INSTRUCTIONS	RoboSep™ (Catalog #20000 and #21000) 
1	**Prepare sample at the indicated cell concentration within the volume range.**	1 x 10^8 cells/mL 0.25 - 8.5 mL NOTE: If starting with fewer than 2.5 x 10^7 cells, resuspend cells in 0.25 mL
	Add sample to required tube.	14 mL (17 x 100 mm) polystyrene round-bottom tube (e.g. Corning Catalog #352057)
2	**Select protocol.**	• Human CD4 Positive Selection 18052-high purity • Human CD4 Positive Selection 18052-high recovery
3	**Mix Magnetic Particles.** **NOTE: Particles should appear evenly dispersed.**	Pipette up and down more than 5 times
4	**Load the carousel.**	Follow on-screen prompts
	Start the protocol.	Press the green “Run” button
5	**Unload the carousel when the run is complete. Remove the tube containing the isolated cells and resuspend in desired medium. Be sure to collect cells from the sides of the tube.**	Isolated cells are ready for use

Notes and Tips

ASSESSING PURITY

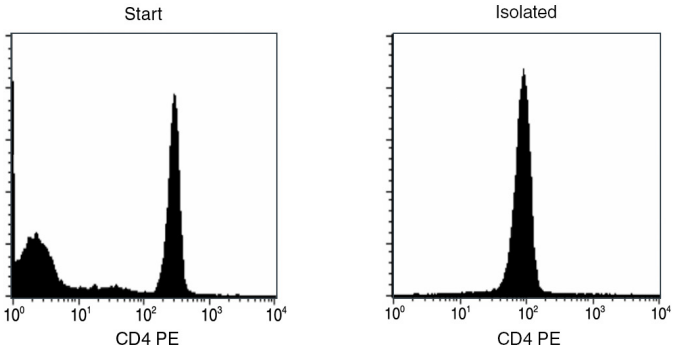
The EasySep™ Human CD4 Positive Selection Cocktail uses an anti-CD4 antibody clone which is known to block anti-CD4 antibody clones RFT4, SK3, SK4, RPA.T4, and 13B8.2. For purity assessment by flow cytometry use one of the following fluorochrome-conjugated antibody clones:

- Anti-Human CD4 Antibody, Clone OKT4 (Catalog #60016), or
- Anti-human CD4 antibody, clone L120

One of the following methods can also be used:

- Use alternative markers such as fluorochrome-conjugated Anti-Human CD3 Antibody, Clone UCHT1 (Catalog #60011) and Anti-Human CD8a Antibody, Clone RPA-T8 (Catalog #60022) to detect CD3+CD8- cells.
- Use a fluorochrome-conjugated secondary antibody, such as Goat Anti-Mouse IgG (H+L) Antibody, Polyclonal (Catalog #60138).

Data



Starting with monocyte-depleted fresh PBMCs, the CD4+ cell content of the isolated fraction typically ranges from 97.4 - 99.5%. In the above example, the purities of the start and final isolated fractions are 47.0% and 98.8%, respectively.