



EasySep™ Human CD138 Positive Selection Kit

Positive Selection

Catalog #18357

For processing 2×10^9 cells



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Description

Isolate highly purified CD138+ (syndecan-1) cells from fresh or previously frozen human bone marrow or peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) by immunomagnetic positive selection.

- Fast and easy-to-use
- No columns required

This kit targets CD138+ cells for positive selection with an antibody recognizing the CD138 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
Human EasySep™ CD138 Positive Selection Cocktail	18357C.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. Includes an Fc receptor blocking antibody.
EasySep™ Magnetic Particles 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.

BONE MARROW

Prepare a mononuclear cell (MNC) suspension from whole bone marrow by centrifugation over a density gradient medium (e.g. Lymphoprep™, Catalog #07801). For more rapid MNC preparation, use the SepMate™ RUO (Catalog #86450/86415) or SepMate™ IVD* (Catalog #85450/85415) cell isolation tube. Alternately, remove red blood cells by lysis using Ammonium Chloride Solution (Catalog #07800).

If using previously frozen MNCs, 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 clumpy suspensions through a 40 µm Cell Strainer (Catalog #27305) for optimal results.

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

PERIPHERAL BLOOD

Prepare a PBMC suspension from whole 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 1×10^8 cells/mL in recommended medium.

NOTE: For samples with a CD138+ starting purity of less than 2%, purity of the enriched sample may be improved by starting with a cell concentration of 2×10^8 cells/mL.

* 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).



Recommended Medium

EasySep™ Buffer (Catalog #20144), RoboSep™ Buffer (Catalog #20104), or PBS containing 2% fetal bovine serum (FBS) with 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 CD138 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	1 x 10 ⁸ cells/mL 0.25 - 8.5 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.	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 µL/mL of bone marrow sample • 100 µL/mL of peripheral blood sample 	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 50 µL/mL of bone marrow sample • 100 µL/mL of peripheral blood 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	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 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 CD138 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	
	Add sample to required tube.	14 mL (17 x 100 mm) polystyrene round-bottom tube (e.g. Corning Catalog #352057)	
2	Select protocol.	Bone marrow sample: • Human CD138 Positive Selection 18357-bone marrow Peripheral blood sample: • Human CD138 Positive Selection 18357-high purity • Human CD138 Positive Selection 18357-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

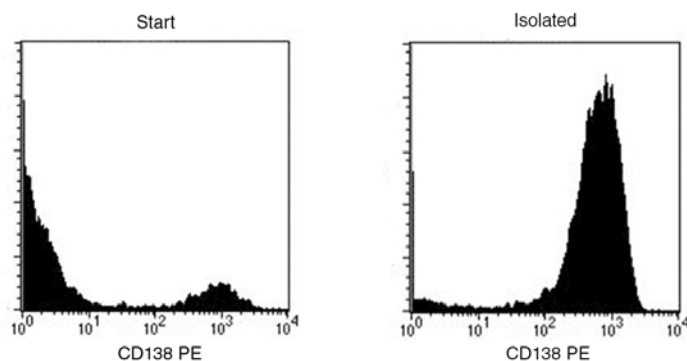
For purity assessment of CD138+ cells by flow cytometry use the following fluorochrome-conjugated antibody:

- Anti-Human CD138 (Syndecan-1) Antibody, Clone MI15 (Catalog #60003)

One of the following methods can also be used:

- Stain for intracellular κ (kappa) and λ (lambda) light chains (e.g. procedure described by Ahmann et al.). Plasma cells express either the kappa or lambda light chain.
- Use alternative markers such as fluorochrome-conjugated Anti-Human CD38 Antibody, Clone HIT2 (Catalog #60014) and Anti-Human CD45 Antibody, Clone HI30 (Catalog #60018) to detect CD38+CD45 variable cells (Kumar et al.).
- Use a fluorochrome-conjugated secondary antibody, such as a FITC-labeled sheep anti-mouse IgG.

Data



Starting with PBMCs spiked with a multiple myeloma cell line, U266, the CD138+ purities of the start and final isolated fractions are 10% and 91%, respectively.

References

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