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TCRα/β T Cell Depletion Kit
human

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Contents

1. Description

This product is for research use only.

Components	**1 mL TCRα/β Antibody, anti-human, Biotin:** monoclonal TCRα/β antibody conjugated to Biotin (isotype: human IgG1). **2 mL Anti-Biotin MicroBeads:** MicroBeads conjugated to monoclonal anti-Biotin antibodies (isotype: mouse IgG1).
Capacity	For 10^9 total cells, up to 100 separations.
Product format	All reagents are supplied in buffer containing stabilizer and 0.05% sodium azide.
Storage	Store protected from light at 2–8 °C. Do not freeze. The expiration date is indicated on the vial label.

1.1 Principle of the MACS Separation

First, the TCRα/β$^+$ cells are magnetically labeled with TCRα/β Antibody, anti-human, Biotin and Anti-Biotin MicroBeads. Then, the cell suspension is loaded onto a MACS Column, which is placed in the magnetic field of a MACS Separator. The magnetically labeled TCRα/β$^+$ cells are retained within the column. The unlabeled cells run through; this cell fraction is thus depleted of TCRα/β$^+$ cells. After removing the column from the magnetic field, the magnetically retained TCRα/β$^+$ cells can be eluted as the positively selected cell fraction.

1.2 Background information

The TCRα/β T Cell Depletion Kit, human is an indirect magnetic labeling system for T cells expressing the α/β variant of the T cell receptor (TCRα/β). TCRα/β is expressed by up to 90% of peripheral blood T cells.

1.3 Applications

- Depletion of TCRα/β cells from peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs), lymph nodes, thymus, spleen, and epithelial tissue.

1.4 Reagent and instrument requirements

- Buffer: Prepare a solution containing phosphate-buffered saline (PBS), pH 7.2, 0.5% bovine serum albumin (BSA), and 2 mM EDTA by diluting MACS BSA Stock Solution (# 130-091-376) 1:20 with autoMACS Rinsing Solution (# 130-091-222). Keep buffer cold (2–8 °C). Degas buffer before use, as air bubbles could block the column.

  ▲ **Note:** EDTA can be replaced by other supplements such as anticoagulant citrate dextrose formula-A (ACD-A) or citrate phosphate dextrose (CPD). BSA can be replaced by other proteins such as human serum albumin, human serum, or fetal bovine serum (FBS). Buffers or media containing Ca^{2+} or Mg^{2+} are not recommended for use.

- MACS Columns and MACS Separators: TCRα/β$^+$ cells can be depleted by using MS, LS, or LD Columns. Depletion can also be performed by using the MultiMACS™ Cell24 Separator Plus or autoMACS Columns on the autoMACS NEO Separator.

Column	Max. number of labeled cells	Max. number of total cells	Separator
Depletion			
MS	10^7	2×10^8	MiniMACS, OctoMACS, SuperMACS II
LS	10^8	2×10^9	MidiMACS, QuadroMACS, SuperMACS II
	10^8	10^9	MultiMACS Cell24 Separator Plus
LD	10^8	5×10^8	MidiMACS, QuadroMACS, SuperMACS II, MultiMACS Cell24 Separator Plus
autoMACS	2×10^8	4×10^9	autoMACS NEO Separator
Multi-24 Column Block (per column)	10^8	10^9	MultiMACS Cell24 Separator Plus

▲ **Note:** Column adapters are required to insert certain columns into the SuperMACS™ II Separators. For details refer to the respective MACS Separator data sheet.

▲ **Note:** If separating with LS or LD Columns and the MultiMACS Cell24 Separator Plus use the Single-Column Adapter. Refer to the user manual for details.

- (Optional) Fluorochrome-conjugated antibodies for flow cytometric analysis, e.g., TCRα/β Antibody, anti-human, PE. For more information about antibodies refer to www.miltenyibiotec.com/antibodies.
- (Optional) Propidium Iodide Solution (# 130-093-233) or 7-AAD Staining Solution (# 130-111-568) for flow cytometric exclusion of dead cells.

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- (Optional) Dead Cell Removal Kit (# 130-090-101) for the depletion of dead cells.
- (Optional) Pre-Separation Filters (30 µm) (# 130-041-407) to remove cell clumps.

2. Protocol

2.1 Sample preparation

When working with anticoagulated peripheral blood or buffy coat, peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) should be isolated by using a MACS PBMC Isolation Kit or by density gradient centrifugation, for example, using Ficoll-Paque™.

▲ **Note:** To remove platelets after density gradient separation, resuspend cell pellet in buffer and centrifuge at 200×g for 10–15 minutes at 20 °C. Carefully aspirate supernatant. Repeat washing step.

For details refer to the data sheet or the protocols section at www.miltenyibiotec.com/protocols.

When working with tissues, prepare a single-cell suspension using the gentleMACS™ Dissociator.

For details refer to www.miltenyibiotec.com/gentlemacs.

▲ Dead cells may bind non-specifically to MACS MicroBeads. To remove dead cells, it is recommended to use density gradient centrifugation or the Dead Cell Removal Kit (# 130-090-101).

2.2 Magnetic labeling

▲ Work fast, keep cells cold, and use pre-cooled solutions. This will prevent capping of antibodies on the cell surface and non-specific cell labeling. *

▲ For optimal performance it is important to obtain a single-cell suspension before magnetic labeling. Pass cells through 30 µm nylon mesh (Pre-Separation Filters (30 µm), # 130-041-407) to remove cell clumps which may clog the column. Moisten filter with buffer before use.

▲ Volumes for magnetic labeling given below are for up to 10^7 total cells. When working with fewer than 10^7 cells, use the same volumes as indicated. When working with higher cell numbers, scale up all reagent volumes and total volumes accordingly (e.g. for 2×10^7 total cells, use twice the volume of all indicated reagent volumes and total volumes).

▲ The recommended incubation temperature is 2–8 °C. Higher temperatures and/or longer incubation times may lead to non-specific cell labeling. Working on ice may require increased incubation times.

1. Determine cell number.
2. Centrifuge cell suspension at 300×g for 10 minutes. Aspirate supernatant completely.
3. Resuspend cell pellet in 90 µL of buffer per 10^7 total cells.
4. Add 10 µL of TCRα/β Antibody, anti-human, Biotin per 10^7 total cells.
5. Mix well and incubate for 5 minutes in the refrigerator (2–8 °C).
6. Wash cells by adding 1–2 mL of buffer per 10^7 cells and centrifuge at 300×g for 10 minutes. Aspirate supernatant completely.
7. Resuspend cell pellet in 80 µL of buffer per 10^7 total cells.
8. Add 20 µL of Anti-Biotin MicroBeads per 10^7 total cells.
9. Mix well and incubate for 10 minutes in the refrigerator (2–8 °C).
10. (Optional) Add staining antibodies, e.g., TCRα/β Antibody, anti-human, PE according to manufacturer's recommendation.
11. Wash cells by adding 1–2 mL of buffer per 10^7 cells and centrifuge at 300×g for 10 minutes. Aspirate supernatant completely.
12. Resuspend up to 10^8 cells in 500 µL of buffer.
    ▲ **Note:** For higher cell numbers, scale up buffer volume accordingly.
13. Proceed to magnetic separation (2.3).

2.3 Magnetic separation

▲ Choose an appropriate MACS Column and MACS Separator according to the number of total cells and the number of TCRα/β$^+$ cells. For details refer to the table in section 1.4.

▲ Always wait until the column reservoir is empty before proceeding to the next step.

Magnetic separation with MS or LS Columns

1. Place column in the magnetic field of a suitable MACS Separator. For details refer to the respective MACS Column data sheet.
2. Prepare column by rinsing with the appropriate amount of buffer:

   MS: 500 µL LS: 3 mL
3. Apply cell suspension onto the column. Collect flow-through containing unlabeled cells.
4. Wash column with the appropriate amount of buffer. Collect unlabeled cells that pass through and combine with the flow-through from step 3.

   MS: 500 µL LS: 3 mL

   ▲ **Note:** Perform washing steps by adding buffer aliquots as soon as the column reservoir is empty.
5. Remove column from the separator and place it on a suitable collection tube.
6. Pipette the appropriate amount of buffer onto the column. Immediately flush out the magnetically labeled cells by firmly pushing the plunger into the column.

   MS: 1 mL LS: 5 mL

Depletion with LD Columns

1. Place LD Column in the magnetic field of a suitable MACS Separator. For details refer to the LD Column data sheet.
2. Prepare column by rinsing with 2 mL of buffer.
3. Apply cell suspension onto the column.
4. Collect unlabeled cells that pass through and wash column with 2×1 mL of buffer. Collect total flow-through; this is the unlabeled cell fraction. Perform washing steps by adding buffer two times. Only add new buffer when the column reservoir is empty.

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Magnetic separation with the MultiMACS Cell24 Separator

Refer to the the MultiMACS Cell Separator user manual for instructions on how to use the MultiMACS Cell24 Separator.

2.4 Magnetic labeling and separation using autoMACS Separators

▲ Refer to the user manual and the short instructions for instructions on how to use the autoMACS Separators.

▲ Buffers used for operating the autoMACS Separators should have a temperature of ≥10 °C.

▲ Place tubes in the following Chill Rack positions:

position A = sample, position B = unlabeled (negative) fraction,

position C = labeled (positive) fraction.

2.4.1 Magnetic labeling and separation using the autoMACS NEO Separator

▲ The autoMACS NEO Separator enables stage loading to extend column capacity for selected reagents, minimizing the need to divide larger samples.

▲ For more information on selecting alternative separation programs, stage loading–compatible reagents, autolabeling-compatible reagents, and the minimal and maximal volumes for each reagent and Chill Rack, refer to www.miltenyibiotec.com/automacs-neo-sample-processing.

Magnetic separation after manual labeling

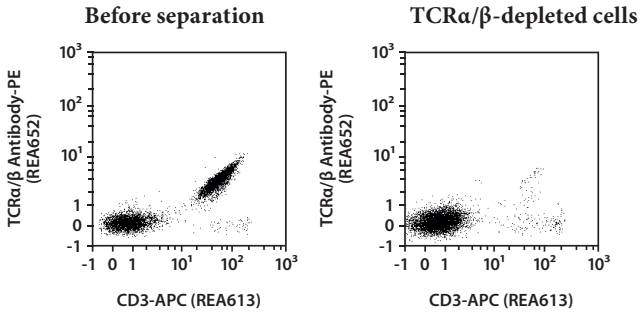
1. Label the sample as described in section 2.2 Magnetic labeling.
2. Prepare and prime the instrument.
3. Place the Chill Rack on the MACS MiniSampler S.
4. Select the same Chill Rack in the **Experiment** tab. An experiment is created automatically. Tap to select sample positions.
5. Assign a reagent to each sample.
6. Manual labeling is set automatically if autolabeling is not supported or no reagent rack is selected. Alternatively, tap **Labeling** in the reagent placement dialog and select **Manual**.
7. Tap **Sample volume** in the **Sample process** pane and enter the sample volume. Tap the return key.

8 The separation program for highest target cell purity is selected by default. Refer to the **Sample process** pane for all available programs.

9. Place the sample(s) and empty tubes to the Chill Rack.
10. Tap **Run** to start the separation process.

3. Example of a separation using the TCRα/β T Cell Depletion Kit, human

TCRα/β$^+$ cells were depleted from human PBMCs using the TCRα/β T Cell Depletion Kit, human, an LS Column, and a QuadroMACS™ Separator. Cells were fluorescently stained with CD3-APC and TCRα/β Antibody-PE and analyzed by flow cytometry using the MACSQuant® Analyzer. Cell debris and dead cells were excluded from the analysis based on scatter signals and propidium iodide fluorescence.



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