

# Manufacturing of monocyte-derived dendritic cells

# CliniMACS Prodigy® LP-14 Mo-DC

## **Application**

This process uses a closed, automated system to perform labeling, enrichment, differentiation, maturation, antigen loading, and rebuffering of CD14<sup>+</sup> cells from leukapheresis products to produce monocyte-derived dendritic cells (Mo-DCs).

This application sheet provides an overview of the specifications and materials required to perform the indicated process. It also outlines the workflow, configuration of the CliniMACS Prodigy Tubing Set, and relevant performance data.

### **Specifications**

#### **Monocyte enrichment**

Process name:	LP-14 Mo-DC Process
Selection capacity:	Up to 4×10 <sup>9</sup> CD14 <sup>+</sup> labeled cells within 20×10 <sup>9</sup> WBCs
Sample volume for selection:	50–300 mL
Process time:	3–3.5 hours

# Monocyte cultivation (differentiation to Mo-DC and maturation)

**Starting cell number** Up to 0.8×10<sup>9</sup> cells **for cultivation:** 

**Expansion capacity:** Up to  $2\times10^8$  Mo-DCs in a maximum

culture volume of 260 mL

**Final product** Two harvesting modes available:

harvest volume: 55 mL or 100 mL

**Process time:** Approx. 8 days (default setting)

## Products required

CliniMACS® and MACS® GMP Products	Amount
CliniMACS Prodigy	1
CliniMACS Prodigy TS 510	1 set
CliniMACS CD14 Reagent (different regulatory variants available)	1 vial
CliniMACS PBS/EDTA Buffer (2×3 L)	1×3 L
CliniMACS PBS/EDTA Buffer (3×1 L)	1×1 L
MACS GMP Recombinant Human GM-CSF	1 vial (250 μg/vial)
MACS GMP Recombinant Human IL-1β	1 vial (25 μg/vial)
MACS GMP Recombinant Human IL-4	1 vial (25 μg/vial)
MACS GMP Recombinant Human IL-6	1 vial (25 μg/vial)
MACS GMP Recombinant Human TNF- $\alpha$	1 vial (25 μg/vial)
MACS GMP PepTivators® Peptide Pools (optional)	1 vial for 1×10 <sup>9</sup> cells

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Additional material/equipment*
Leukapheresis product (not older than 24 hours)
Human serum albumin (HSA)
Medium (basal, differentiation and maturation)
Prostaglandin $E_2$ (PGE <sub>2</sub> )
Sterile Luer Lock syringes
Hypodermic needles
Transfer bag(s) 600 mL (module-dependent)
Transfer Set Coupler/Coupler (module-dependent)
Luer/Spike Interconnector (module-dependent)
1 m extension line (optional)

Additional material/equipment*

Uninterruptible power supply

CO<sub>2</sub> and compressed air supply

Sterile tubing welder

Cell counter and flow cytometer

\*This protocol requires the use of components and materials that are not part of the CliniMACS Prodigy LP-14 Mo-DC System, such as human serum albumin or prostaglandine  $\rm E_2$ . Only pharmaceutical-grade products approved in your country should be used. If these components are not available as registered drugs, the user must evaluate all associated risks before applying the target cell product in humans.

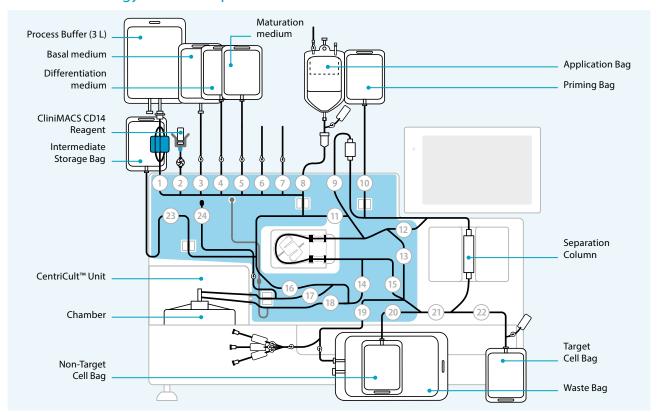
# Workflow of the CliniMACS Prodigy LP-14 Mo-DC enrichment and cultivation

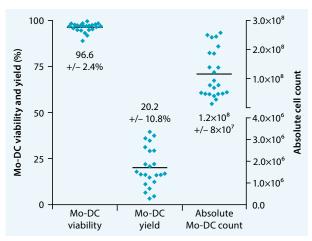
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	Sample loading and volume adjustment
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	Cell labelling with CliniMACS CD14 Reagent
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Enrichment	Removal of unbound beads
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	Magnetic enrichment of CD14 <sup>+</sup> cells
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	Elution of enriched cells
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	Entry of cultivation parameters
	<b>▼</b>
	Selection of source and target port
Cultivation setup	•
	Programming of activity matrix
	Attachment of differentiation and maturation medium
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	Setup of the gas mix
Cultivation	<b>▼</b>
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Cell harvest	Cell washing and harvest either in 55 or 100 mL of basal medium
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Post-process	Tubing set de-installation

Approx. 8 days\*\*

<sup>\*\*</sup> The processing time largely depends on the design and protocol of the individual workflow.

## CliniMACS Prodigy TS 510 setup for LP-14 Mo-DC Process





**Figure 1:** Internal data showing the viability, yield, and absolute count of monocyte-derived dendritic cells generated using the CliniMACS Prodigy LP-14 Mo-DC Process. Mature Mo-DCs (mMo-DCs) were generated with an average recovery of 20%, calculated based on the number of initially seeded monocytes. The viability of mMo-DCs was evaluated by flow cytometry, specifically by excluding PI+ dead cells, with an average viability of 97%.

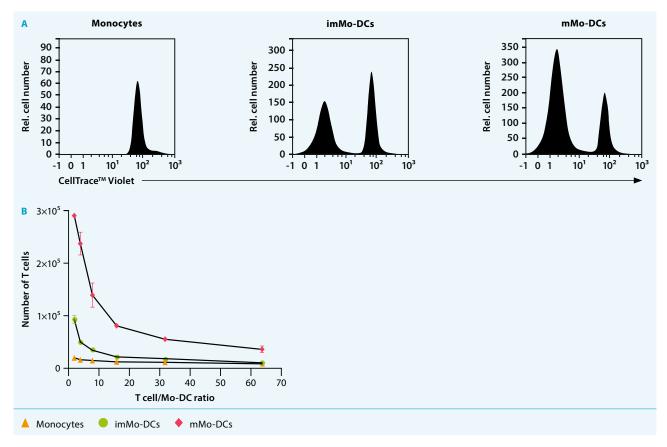


Figure 2: Internal data on the T cell priming capacity of monocytes and Mo-DCs isolated and cultured using the CliniMACS Prodigy. CellTrace Violet-labeled, allogeneic, naive CD45RA+CD45RO-T cells were co-cultured with either monocytes or Mo-DCs. After 7 days, T cell numbers and CellTrace Violet staining intensity were analyzed (A). Unlike monocytes, both immature Mo-DCs (imMo-DCs) and mature Mo-DCs (mMo-DCs) induced T cell proliferation, as indicated by increased cell counts and reduced CellTrace Violet staining. Proliferation was highest when mMo-DCs served as antigenpresenting cells (B). In (B), the data represent the mean ± standard deviation (SD) from duplicate experiments, with error bars indicating the variability between replicates.



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