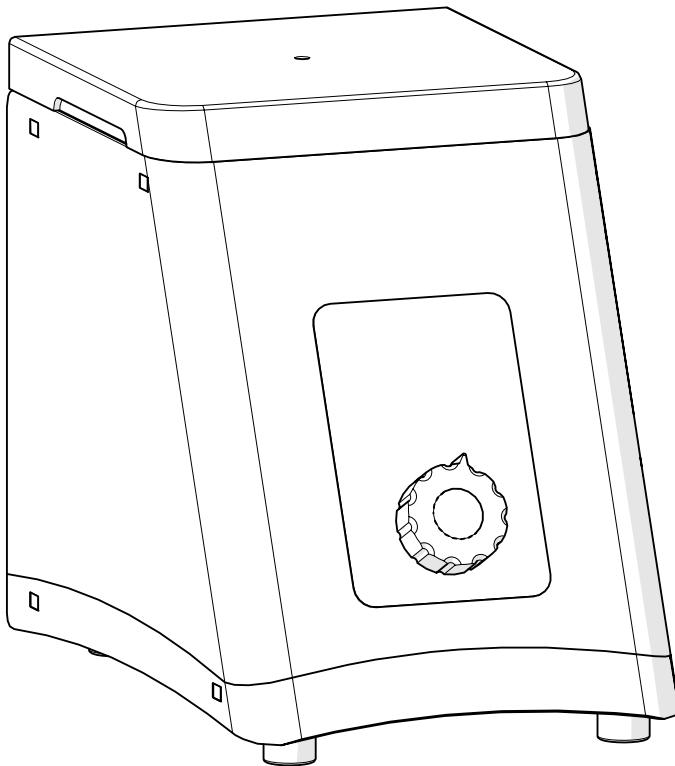


# BR Cryo

## Cooling Unit

User Manual



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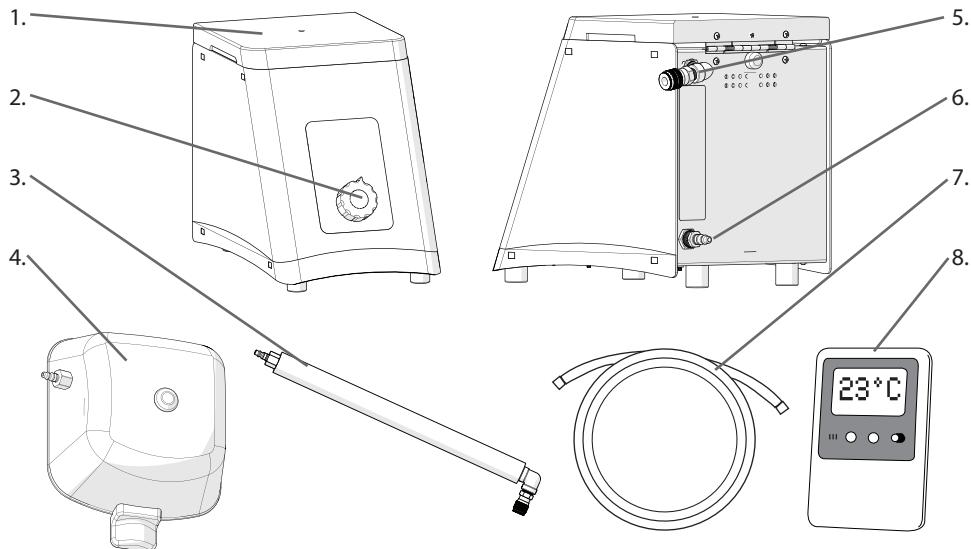
- DO NOT attempt to modify any part of this product.
- DO NOT allow the machine to be submerged in any liquid.
- DO NOT use in any setting other than an indoor laboratory.
- DO NOT plug power cord into an incorrect outlet or subject it to an incorrect voltage.
- Use this product only for its intended purpose.
- DO NOT use attachments not recommended by the manufacturer.
- DO NOT operate the product if it is damaged in any way.
- Keep this product away from heated surfaces.
- DO NOT modify the plug or cord that is provided. If the plug will not fit the outlet, have the proper outlet installed by a qualified electrician.
- DO NOT operate the product with the safety ground disconnected.

**WARNING:** Reduce the risk of unintentional starting; make sure the speed switch is in the OFF position before plugging in the motor.

**WARNING:** Damaged or worn power cords should be repaired or replaced immediately by a qualified electrician.

**WARNING:** Improper connection of the equipment can result in a risk of electric shock.

# Overview



1. Lid
2. Airflow Control Knob
3. Insulated Cryo Hose
4. Bead Ruptor Cryo Lid
5. Cold Air Outflow
6. Compressed Air Input
7. Compressed Air Hose
8. External Thermometer

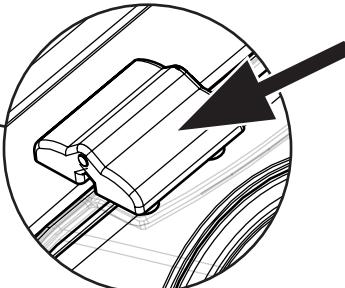
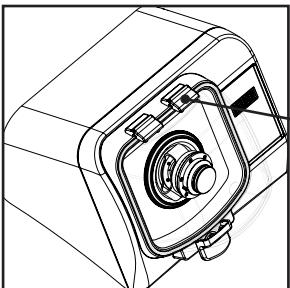
The Bead Ruptor Cryo Cooling Unit consists of the following:

| Description                   | Quantity |
|-------------------------------|----------|
| Bead Ruptor Cryo Cooling Unit | 1        |
| Insulated Cryo Hose           | 1        |
| Bead Ruptor Cryo Lid          | 1        |
| External Thermometer          | 1        |
| Compressed Air Hose           | 1        |
| Tool Kit                      | 1        |
| User Manual                   | 1        |

# Installation

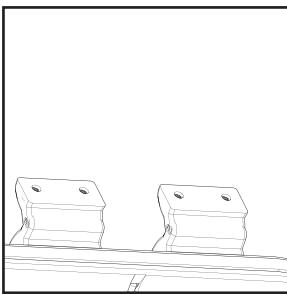
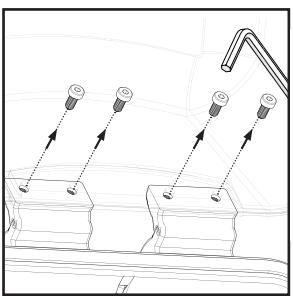
## Removing the Bead Ruptor Lid

1.



Locate Lid Hinges.

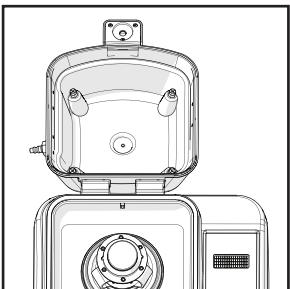
2.



Lift Lid and remove 4 screws using the provided Allen Key. Remove Lid

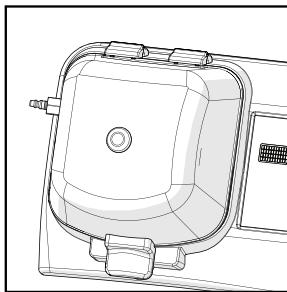
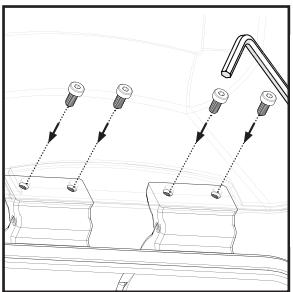
## Replace with Bead Ruptor Cryo Lid (Black)

3.



Align black Cryo lid onto the Bead Ruptor.

4.

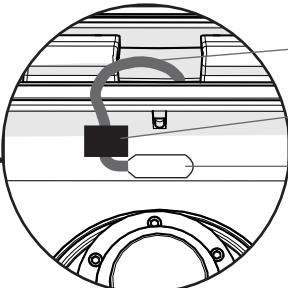
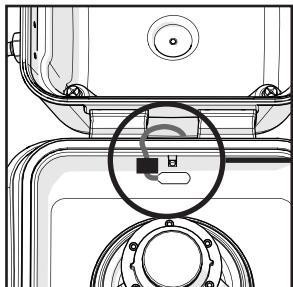


Replace the four screws and tighten using the provided Allen Key.

# Installation

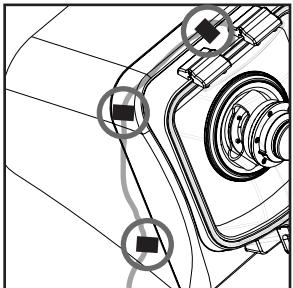
## Install the External Thermometer

1.



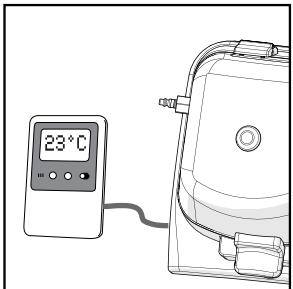
Position the Thermometer Probe under the Bead Ruptor lid as shown, using the Couple Clip to secure the thermometer probe wire under the Bead Ruptor lid.

2.



Place remaining Couple Clips as shown. Guide the thermometer probe wire through the clips.

3.



Plug the thermometer probe wire into the External Thermometer.

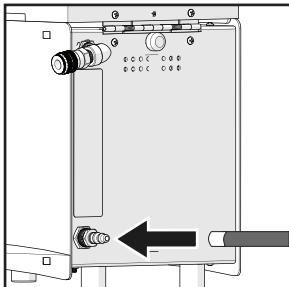
**NOTE:** The Digital Thermometer has been preset to Celsius with alarms to be triggered if temperatures reach below -10°C or over 70°C.

# Installation

## Install Intake and Output Hoses

**NOTE:** Compressed ISO8573 Class 2 or better air is required to use the BR Cryo unit: Total oil < 0.1 mg/m<sup>3</sup>, vapor pressure dew point < -50°C.

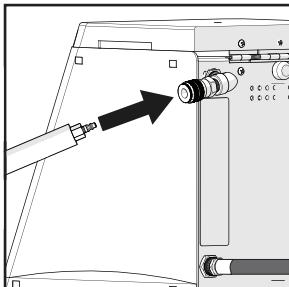
1.



Connect the hose from air supply to the rear of the BR Cryo unit.

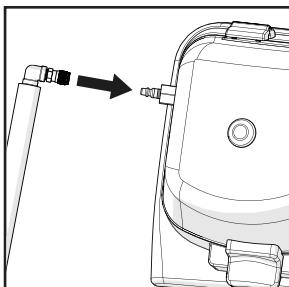
**Note:** An optional hose with a “quick connect” coupling has been included with the BR Cryo. An additional fitting may be required to connect the hose to the air supply.

2.



Connect the straight end of the Insulated Cryo Hose to the BR Cryo Unit.

3.



Connect the 90° elbow end of the Insulated Cryo Hose to the Bead Ruptor Lid.

### Recommended Dry Air Guidelines

- Obtain a high-pressure cylinder of Medical Air. Medical Air is a blend of nitrogen and oxygen that contains virtually no traces of oil or water vapor.

**OR**

- Between an air compressor and the BR Cryo Unit inlet, use a refrigerated air dryer or desiccant dryer. These systems are specified in the lowest dew point that can be reached.

- **DO NOT** use inlet pressure below 55 PSI or above 120 PSI.

# Operation

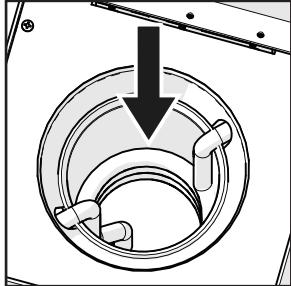
## Liquid Nitrogen Pre - Cooling

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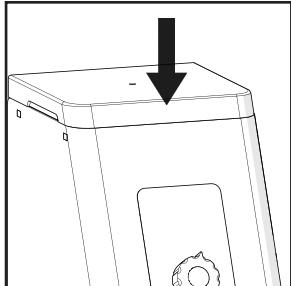
**PRE-COOLING** - follow pre-cooling procedure before homogenizing samples.

**NOTE:** Do not load samples into the Bead Ruptor processing chamber prior to pre-cooling.

1.  - Purge air lines by running dry air for 30 seconds at the MAX setting.  
- Turn knob to the **Off** position.

2.  Add 0.5 L or 16 oz. of liquid nitrogen to the chamber, fill to 3 inches (7.6 cm) below the top of the chamber.

**NOTE:** The copper coils in the chamber must be completely covered by liquid nitrogen.

3.    Close the lid of the BR Cryo unit and turn the air flow control knob counterclockwise to begin the flow of air into the processing chamber.

Pre-cool the Bead Ruptor processing chamber to 0°C.

**WARNING:** DO NOT pre-cool the processing chamber below 0°C.

# Operation

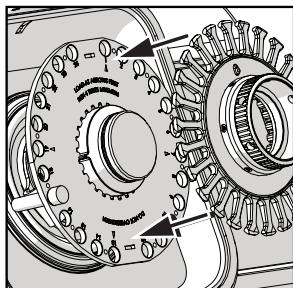
## Liquid Nitrogen

### Homogenizing Samples

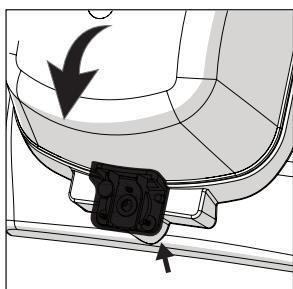
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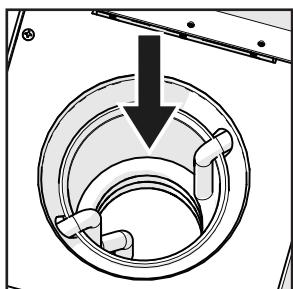
2. - Load samples into the Bead Ruptor.  
- Install Finger Plate  
- Set the desired time, speed dwell and number of cycles on the Bead Ruptor.



3. Close the Bead Ruptor lid.



4. Add 0.5 L or 16 oz. of liquid nitrogen to the chamber of the BR Cryo unit, fill to 3 inches (7.6 cm) below the top of the chamber.



**NOTE:** The copper coils in the chamber must be completely covered by liquid nitrogen.

**CAUTION:** 55-120 PSI is the recommended air pressure for use with the BR Cryo. Pressure above 120 PSI could damage internal components.

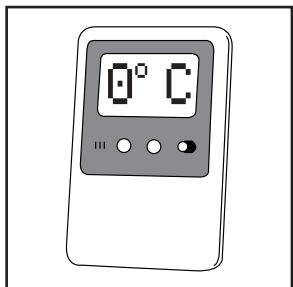
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## Liquid Nitrogen Homogenizing Samples

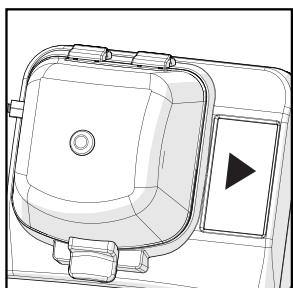
5. Turn Airflow control knob counter clockwise to begin cooling.



6. Allow air to flow until the External Thermometer reads 0°C.



7. Once the temperature has reached 0°C, press RUN on the Bead Ruptor to begin homogenization.



8. When the cycle has ended:  
- Turn off compressed air supply  
- Turn off BR Cryo  
- Open the lid of the Bead Ruptor and remove samples.
- CAUTION:** Allow liquid nitrogen to evaporate before attempting to move the BR Cryo unit.



**WARNING:** Avoid direct skin contact with BR Cryo and Bead Ruptor components after exposure to liquid nitrogen. Always use protective gloves.

# Operation

## Dry Ice

### Pre-Cooling

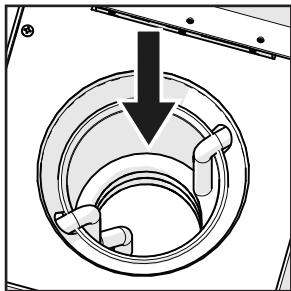
*Liquid nitrogen will provide the best results. However, dry ice and alcohol may be used.*

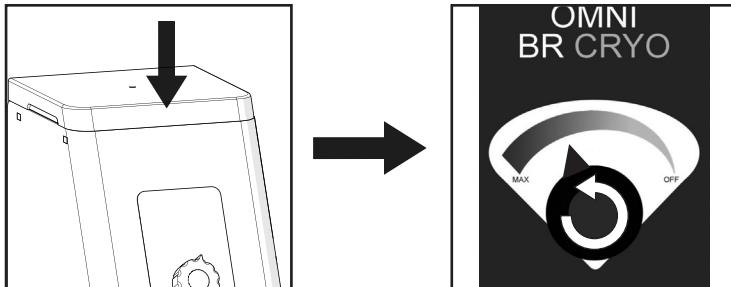
**WARNING:** Wear eye, face, hand and skin protection when working with Dry Ice. Operate in a well ventilated area.

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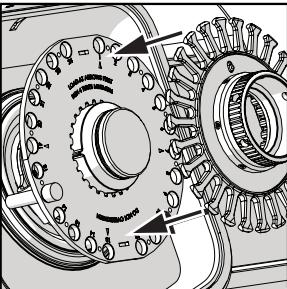
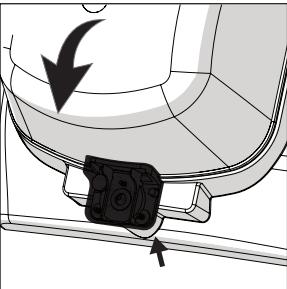
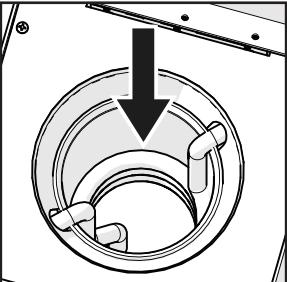
2.  - Add 0.5 L (16 oz.) Of dry ice to the BR Cryo chamber.  
- Add 0.5 L (16 oz.) of ethanol or methanol to the BR Cryo chamber and the mixture sit for five minutes to allow the coil to cool.  
**NOTE:** The copper coils in the chamber must be completely covered by the alcohol and dry ice.

3.  Close the lid of the BR Cryo unit and turn the air flow control knob counterclockwise to begin the flow of air into the processing chamber. Pre-cool the Bead Ruptor processing chamber to -5°C.

**WARNING:** DO NOT pre-cool the processing chamber below -5°C.

# Operation

## Dry Ice Homogenizing Samples

1.  Ensure that the knob of the BR Cryo is in the off position and all hoses are connected correctly.
2.  - Load samples into the Bead Ruptor.  
- Install Finger Plate  
- Set the desired time, speed dwell and number of cycles on the Bead Ruptor.
3.  Close the Bead Ruptor lid.
4.  - Add 0.5 L (16 oz.) Of dry ice to the BR Cryo chamber.  
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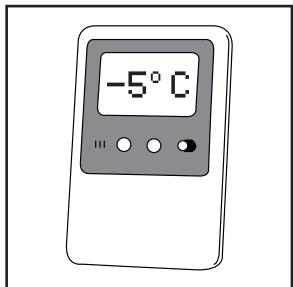
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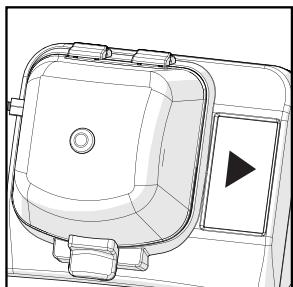
5. Turn Airflow control knob counter clockwise to begin cooling.



6. Allow air to flow until the External Thermometer reads -5°C (23°F)



7. Once the temperature has reached -5°C, press RUN on the Bead Ruptor to begin homogenization.



8. When the cycle has ended:  
- Turn off compressed air supply  
- Turn off BR Cryo  
- Open the lid of the Bead Ruptor and remove samples.



**CAUTION:** Allow the dry ice to evaporate and dispose of remaining alcohol before attempting to move the BR Cryo unit.

**WARNING:** Avoid direct skin contact with BR Cryo and Bead Ruptor components after exposure to dry ice. Always use protective gloves.

# Trouble Shooting

| Problem                                       | Possible Cause   | Action   |
|---|--|--|
| Cold air is not flowing into the Bead Ruptor. | The cooling system is not supplied with compressed air.  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Check that the air source is open.</li> <li>Check that there are no leaks in the hoses.</li> </ol>                          |
|   | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>- The airflow nozzles are obstructed.</li> <li>- The air purity is lower than recommended.</li> </ul> | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wait for the units to completely de-frost.</li> <li>Ensure the air purity is 99% and the water content &lt;5ppm.</li> </ol> |
| One or several outflows do not work.          | One or more nozzles are defective.   | Contact Technical Support  |
| System is not performing optimally            | The airflow holes are obstructed.  | <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Wait for the units to completely de-frost.</li> <li>If problem persists, contact technical support.</li> </ol>              |
|   | The outflow control valves or regulator are defective.   | Contact technical support.   |

**DO NOT:** attempt to service the BR Cryo Cooling Unit in a manner other than those discussed in this manual. For any issue that is unsuccessfully corrected using this guide, please contact your authorized dealer or call Omni International at 1-800-776-4431.

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