

# MojoSort™ Nanobeads Regular Protocol

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## Abstract

The cells targeted by the Nanobeads are either selected or depleted by incubating your sample with the directly conjugated magnetic particles. The magnetically labeled fraction is retained by the use of a magnetic separator. After collection of the targeted cells, downstream applications include functional assays, gene expression, phenotypic characterization, etc.

Note: For Human CD4 Nanobeads, please refer to the protocol found on the product [webpage](#) for MojoSort™ Human CD4 Nanobeads (Cat. No. 480013/480014).

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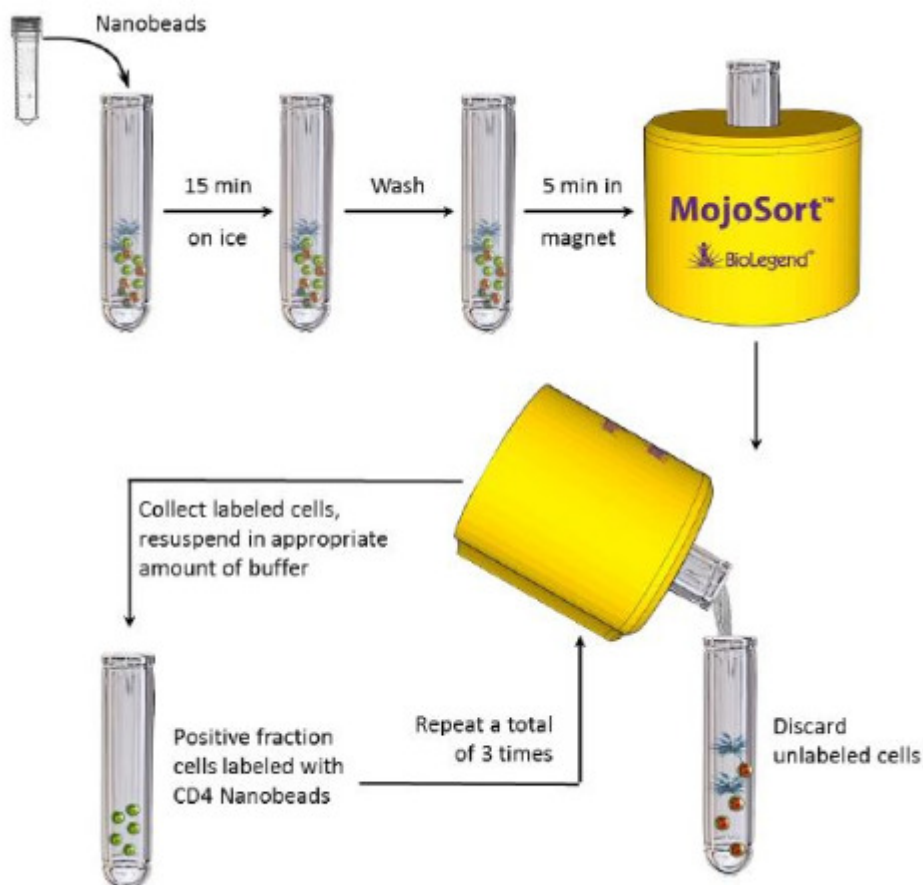
## Guidelines

This procedure is optimized for the isolation of  $10^7$  to  $2 \times 10^8$  cells per tube. If working with fewer than  $10^7$  cells, keep volumes as indicated for  $10^7$  cells. For best results, optimize the conditions to your specific cell number and tissue. Prepare fresh MojoSort™ Buffer solution by diluting the 5X concentrate with sterile distilled water.

## Reagents and instruments required:

- MojoSort™ Buffer (5X) (Cat. No. 480017)
- MojoSort™ Magnet (Cat. No. 480019) or compatible magnetic separation system
- Adjustable pipettes
- 70 µm filters (one per sample)
- 5 mL (12 x 75 mm) polystyrene tubes
- Reagents for sample preparation
- Reagents and instruments (Flow cytometer) to determine yield and purity

**Application notes:** To use this product in magnetic separation columns, a titration of the Nanobeads should be performed. Optimal concentration for magnetic separation columns is lot-specific.



## Protocol

### Step 1.

Prepare cells from your tissue of interest without lysing erythrocytes.

### Step 2.

In the final wash of your sample preparation, resuspend the cells in MojoSort™ Buffer by adding up to 4 mL in a 5 mL (12 x 75 mm) polystyrene tube.

*Note: Keep MojoSort™ Buffer on ice throughout the procedure.*

### Step 3.

Filter the cells with a 70 µm cell strainer, centrifuge at 300 x g for 5 minutes, and resuspend in an appropriate volume of MojoSort™ Buffer. Count and adjust the cell concentration to  $1 \times 10^8$  cells/mL.

 DURATION

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#### Step 4.

Aliquot 100  $\mu$ L of cell suspension ( $10^7$  cells) into a new tube

#### Step 5.

Resuspend the beads by vortexing, maximum speed, 5 touches. Add 10  $\mu$ L of Nanobeads, mix well and incubate on ice for 15 minutes. Scale up the volume accordingly if separating more cells. For example, add 100  $\mu$ L for  $1 \times 10^8$  cells. When working with less than  $10^7$  cells, use indicated volumes for  $10^7$  cells.

 DURATION

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#### Step 6.

Add MojoSort™ Buffer up to 4 mL and centrifuge the cells at 300 x g for 5 minutes.

 DURATION

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#### Step 7.

Resuspend the cells in 3 mL of MojoSort™ Buffer.

**Optional: Take an aliquot before placing the tube in the magnet to monitor purity and yield**

#### Step 8.

Place the tube in the magnet for 5 minutes.

 DURATION

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#### Step 9.

Pour out the liquid. Resuspend the labeled cells in appropriate amount of buffer.

#### Step 10.

Repeat steps 7 – 9 on the labeled fraction 2 more times, for a total of 3 magnetic separations.

**Optional:** Take a small aliquot to monitor purity and yield. If desired, pool the unlabeled fractions and process simultaneously with the positive labeled cells when assessing purity and yield.