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## Warnings

Reagents contain sodium azide. Under acidic conditions sodium azide yields hydrazoic acid, which is extremely toxic. Azide compounds should be diluted with running water before discarding. These precautions are recommended to avoid deposits in plumbing where explosive conditions may develop.

## 1. Description

**This product is for research use only.**

<b>Components</b>	2 mL CD25 MicroBeads II, human : MicroBeads conjugated to monoclonal anti-human CD25 antibodies (isotype: mouse IgG1).
<b>Capacity</b>	For 10 <sup>9</sup> total cells, up to 100 separations.
<b>Product format</b>	CD25 MicroBeads II are supplied in buffer containing stabilizer and 0.05% sodium azide.
<b>Storage</b>	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 CD25<sup>+</sup> cells are magnetically labeled with CD25 MicroBeads II. Then, the cell suspension is loaded onto a MACS® Column, which is placed in the magnetic field of a MACS Separator. The magnetically labeled CD25<sup>+</sup> cells are retained within the column. The unlabeled cells run through; this cell fraction is thus depleted of CD25<sup>+</sup> cells. After removing the column from the magnetic field, the magnetically retained CD25<sup>+</sup> cells can be eluted as the positively selected cell fraction. To increase the purity, the positively selected cell fraction containing the CD25<sup>+</sup> cells must be separated over a second column.

### 1.2 Background information

CD25 MicroBeads II are developed for depleting or isolating CD25<sup>+</sup> cells from human peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs), lymphoid tissue, or *in vitro* stimulated lymphocytes. CD25, the low-affinity interleukin-2 receptor alpha chain (IL-2Ra), is expressed on activated T cells, B cells, NK cells, and monocytes as well as on CD4<sup>+</sup> regulatory T cells. The CD25 antigen shows three epitope regions, called A, B, and C. The CD25 MicroBeads II recognize epitope A of the CD25 molecule.

### 1.3 Applications

- Positive selection or depletion of cells expressing human CD25 antigen, such as activated T cells, B cells, NK cells, or monocytes.
- Depletion of allo-reactive T lymphocytes.
- Isolation of antigen-, mitogen-, or allogene-activated T lymphocytes.
- Isolation or depletion of activated T cell subsets, B cells or NK cells in combination with MACS Isolation Kits for separation of untouched cells or with MultiSort MicroBeads.

### 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<sup>2+</sup> or Mg<sup>2+</sup> are not recommended for use.

- MACS Columns and MACS Separators: CD25<sup>+</sup> cells can be enriched by using MS, LS, or XS Columns or depleted with the use of LD, CS, or D Columns. Cells which strongly express the CD25 antigen can also be depleted using MS, LS, or XS Columns. Positive selection or depletion can also be performed by using the autoMACS Pro Separator.

Column	Max. number of labeled cells	Max. number of total cells	Separator
<b>Positive selection</b>			
MS	10 <sup>7</sup>	2×10 <sup>8</sup>	MiniMACS, OctoMACS, VarioMACS, SuperMACS II
LS	10 <sup>8</sup>	2×10 <sup>9</sup>	MidiMACS, QuadroMACS, VarioMACS, SuperMACS II,
XS	10 <sup>9</sup>	2×10 <sup>10</sup>	SuperMACS II
<b>Depletion</b>			
LD	10 <sup>8</sup>	5×10 <sup>8</sup>	MidiMACS, QuadroMACS, VarioMACS, SuperMACS II
CS	2×10 <sup>8</sup>		VarioMACS, SuperMACS II
D	10 <sup>9</sup>		SuperMACS II
<b>Positive selection or depletion</b>			
autoMACS	2×10 <sup>8</sup>	4×10 <sup>9</sup>	autoMACS Pro

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

- (Optional) Fluorochrome-conjugated antibodies for flow cytometric analysis, e.g., CD25-PE, CD25-APC, CD4-FITC, CD4-PE, or CD4-APC. For more information about antibodies refer to [www.miltenyibiotec.com/antibodies](http://www.miltenyibiotec.com/antibodies).
  - ▲ **Note:** CD25-PE and CD25-APC recognize epitope B. Their use is recommended for staining of cells isolated with CD25 MicroBeads II, which bind to epitope A.
- (Optional) Propidium Iodide Solution (# 130-093-233) or 7-AAD for flow cytometric exclusion of dead cells.
- (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 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.

▲ Dead cells may bind non-specifically to MACS MicroBeads. To remove dead cells, we recommend using 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.

▲ Volumes for magnetic labeling given below are for up to 10<sup>7</sup> total cells. When working with fewer than 10<sup>7</sup> 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<sup>7</sup> total cells, use twice the volume of all indicated reagent volumes and total volumes).

▲ 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.

▲ 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 buffer and add CD25 MicroBeads II according to the following table per 10<sup>7</sup> total cells:

Application	Buffer	CD25 MicroBeads II
Positive selection of CD25 <sup>+</sup> cells	90 μL	10 μL
Depletion of CD25 <sup>+</sup> cells	80 μL	20 μL

4. Mix well and incubate for 15 minutes in the refrigerator (2–8 °C).
5. (Optional) Add staining antibodies, e.g., 20 μL of CD25-PE, and incubate for 5 minutes in the dark in the refrigerator (2–8 °C).
  - ▲ **Note:** For CD25 MicroBead-labeled cells the recommended antibody dilution is 1:6 for up to 10<sup>7</sup> cells/100 μL of buffer.
6. Wash cells by adding 1–2 mL of buffer per 10<sup>7</sup> cells and centrifuge at 300×g for 10 minutes. Aspirate supernatant completely.
7. Resuspend up to 10<sup>8</sup> cells in 500 μL of buffer.
  - ▲ **Note:** For higher cell numbers, scale up buffer volume accordingly.
  - ▲ **Note:** For depletion with LD Columns, resuspend up to 1.25×10<sup>8</sup> cells in 500 μL of buffer.
8. 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 CD25<sup>+</sup> 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: 3×500 µL      LS: 3×3 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

7. (Optional) To increase the purity of CD25<sup>+</sup> cells, the eluted fraction can be enriched over a second MS or LS Column. Repeat the magnetic separation procedure as described in steps 1 to 6 by using a new column.

### Magnetic separation with XS Columns

For instructions on the column assembly and the separation refer to the XS Column data sheet.

### 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.

### Depletion with CS Columns

1. Assemble CS Column and place it in the magnetic field of a suitable MACS Separator. For details refer to the CS Column data sheet.
2. Prepare column by filling and rinsing with 60 mL of buffer. Attach a 22G flow resistor to the 3-way stopcock of the assembled column. For details refer to the CS Column data sheet.
3. Apply cell suspension onto the column.
4. Collect unlabeled cells that pass through and wash column with 30 mL buffer from the top. Collect total flow-through; this is the unlabeled cell fraction.

### Depletion with D Columns

For instructions on column assembly and separation refer to the D Column data sheet.

### Magnetic separation with the autoMACS<sup>®</sup> Pro Separator

▲ Refer to the respective user manual for instructions on how to use the autoMACS<sup>®</sup> Pro Separator.

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

1. Prepare and prime the instrument.
2. Apply tube containing the sample and provide tubes for collecting the labeled and unlabeled cell fractions. Place sample tube in row A of the tube rack and the fraction collection tubes in rows B and C.
3. For a standard separation choose one of the following programs:

#### Positive selection: Posseld

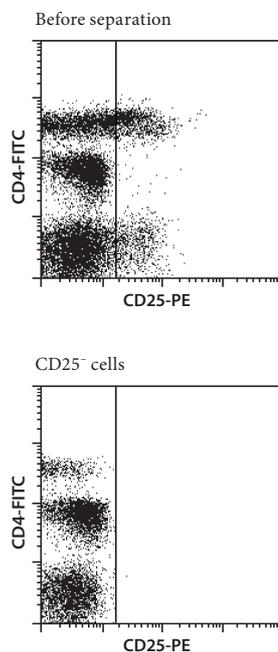
Collect positive fraction in row C of the tube rack.

#### Depletion: Depl05

Collect negative fraction in row B of the tube rack.

### 3. Example of a separation using CD25 MicroBeads II

CD25<sup>+</sup> cells were depleted from human PBMCs using CD25 MicroBeads, an LD Column, and a MidiMACS™ Separator. Cells were fluorescently stained with CD4-FITC and CD25-PE and analyzed by flow cytometry. Cell debris and dead cells were excluded from the analysis based on scatter signals and propidium iodide fluorescence.



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