

## Dynabeads® FlowComp™ Mouse CD8

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Store at 2°C to 8°C

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### Kit Contents

Kit contents	Volume
FlowComp™ Mouse CD8 antibody	1 mL
FlowComp™ Dynabeads®	3 mL
FlowComp™ Release Buffer	2 × 20 mL

**Kit capacity**  
~2 × 10<sup>9</sup> cells

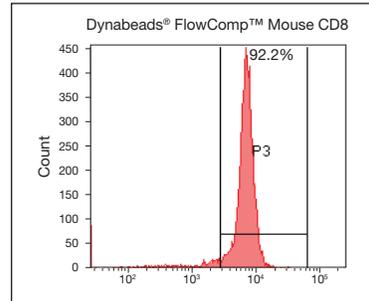


Figure 1: Mouse CD8<sup>+</sup> cells isolated with Dynabeads® FlowComp™ Mouse CD8

FlowComp™ Dynabeads® contains ~1 × 10<sup>9</sup> (~10 mg) beads/mL in phosphate buffered saline (PBS), pH 7.4, with 0.1% bovine serum albumin (BSA) and 0.02% sodium azide as a preservative. FlowComp™ Mouse CD8 antibody contains monoclonal anti-mouse CD8 antibody in PBS with 0.5% BSA and 0.02% sodium azide. FlowComp™ Release Buffer contains modified biotin in 0.1% BSA and 2 mM EDTA. **Caution:** Sodium azide may react with lead and copper plumbing to form highly explosive metal azides.

### Product Description

This product is intended for positive magnetic isolation of CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells from lymphoid organs. The isolated cells are highly pure, viable, and bead-free (fig. 1). In the first step, FlowComp™ Mouse CD8 antibody is added and will bind to the target cells. In the second step, CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells that have bound the specific antibodies are captured by the Dynabeads®. In the third and last step, the cells are released from the Dynabeads®.

### Downstream Applications

Isolated cells are bead-free and may be used directly in any downstream application including flow cytometry. The cells readily proliferate in response to Dynabeads® Mouse T Activator CD3/CD28 and can be measured by incorporation of EdU or in a CFSE assay.

### Required Materials

- Magnet (DynaMag™) See [www.lifetechnologies.com/magnets](http://www.lifetechnologies.com/magnets) for recommendations.
- Mixer allowing tilting and rotation of tubes (e.g. HulaMixer® Sample Mixer).
- Isolation Buffer: Ca<sup>2+</sup> and Mg<sup>2+</sup> free PBS supplemented with 0.1% BSA and 2 mM EDTA. **Note:** BSA can be replaced by human serum albumin (HSA) or 2% fetal bovine serum (FBS)/fetal calf serum (FCS).

- *Optional:* We recommend using anti-mouse CD8α-PE or anti-mouse CD3 Alexa Fluor® 488 as primary fluorescent antibody for flow staining of cells after isolation. Avoid using secondary antibodies specific for rat antibodies for flow cytometry staining.
- *Optional:* Red blood cell lysis buffer. See [www.lifetechnologies.com/samplepreparation](http://www.lifetechnologies.com/samplepreparation).
- *Optional:* For viability analysis, SYTOX® Red is recommended.

### General Guidelines

- Visit [www.lifetechnologies.com/samplepreparation](http://www.lifetechnologies.com/samplepreparation) for recommended sample preparation procedures.
- Use a mixer that provides tilting and rotation of the tubes to ensure that Dynabeads® do not settle at the bottom of the tube.
- This product should not be used with magnet MPC™-1.
- Follow the recommended volumes and incubation times (Table 1).
- Avoid air bubbles (foaming) during pipetting.
- To avoid unspecific labeling of cells during flow staining we recommend using gamma-globulin or Fc blocking reagents prior to staining with primary fluorescent antibody.
- Only DSB-X biotinylated antibodies can be used in the isolation process. Standard biotinylated antibodies will not give release of cells after isolation.

### Protocol

Approximately 30–35% of mouse spleen cells are T cells, and about 30% of these T cells strongly express the CD8 antigen. This kit isolates highly pure CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells using Dynabeads® FlowComp™ Mouse CD8.

#### Prepare Cells

- Prepare a single cell suspension from lymphoid organs (e.g. lymph nodes or spleen) according to “General Guidelines”.
- Resuspend the cells at 1 × 10<sup>8</sup> cells/mL in Isolation Buffer.
- Prepare approximately 10 mL of Isolation Buffer per 5 × 10<sup>7</sup> cells.

#### Wash Dynabeads®

See Table 1 for volume recommendations.

1. Resuspend the Dynabeads® in the vial (i.e. vortex for >30 sec, or tilt and rotate for 5 min).
2. Transfer the desired volume of Dynabeads® to a tube.
3. Add the same volume of Isolation Buffer, or at least 1 mL, and resuspend.
4. Place the tube in a magnet for 1 min and discard the supernatant.
5. Remove the tube from the magnet and resuspend the washed Dynabeads® in the same volume of Isolation Buffer as the initial volume of Dynabeads® (step 2).

## Isolate Cells

This protocol is based on  $5 \times 10^7$  cells, but is directly scalable from  $1 \times 10^7$  to  $5 \times 10^8$  cells, according to Table 1. When working with fewer cells than  $1 \times 10^7$ , use the same volumes as for  $1 \times 10^7$ .

1. Transfer 500  $\mu$ L ( $5 \times 10^7$ ) prepared cells to a tube and add 25  $\mu$ L FlowComp™ Mouse CD8 antibody.
2. Mix well and incubate 10 min at 2°C to 8°C.
3. Wash by adding 2 mL Isolation Buffer and centrifuge 8 min at  $350 \times g$ .
4. Remove the supernatant, and resuspend in 1 mL Isolation Buffer.
5. Add 75  $\mu$ L washed FlowComp™ Dynabeads® and mix well (e.g. vortex 2–3 seconds).
6. Incubate for 15 min at 2°C to 8°C under rolling and tilting.
7. Add 1 mL Isolation Buffer, pipet 2–3 times (or vortex 2–3 seconds) and place the tube in a magnet for 2 min.
8. While the tube is still in the magnet, carefully remove and discard the supernatant containing the CD8 negative cells.
9. Repeat steps 7–8 at least once to wash the bead-bound CD8<sup>+</sup> cells. These steps are critical to obtain a high purity of isolated cells.

## Release Cells

10. Resuspend the bead-bound cells in 1 mL Release Buffer.
11. Incubate 10 min with rolling and tilting at room temperature.
12. Pipet 10 times to efficiently release the cells and place in a magnet for 2 min. Avoid foaming.
13. Transfer the supernatant containing the bead-free CD8<sup>+</sup> cells to a new tube and again place on the magnet for 1 min to remove any residual beads. Transfer again the supernatant containing the bead-free cells to a new tube.
14. Add 2 mL Isolation Buffer followed by centrifugation for 8 min at  $350 \times g$ . Discard the supernatant and resuspend the cell pellet in preferred cell medium.

Keep the cells on 2°C to 8°C until further use in downstream applications.

Table 1: Volumes for mouse CD8<sup>+</sup> T cells. This protocol is scalable from  $1 \times 10^7$  to  $5 \times 10^8$  cells.

Step	Step description	Volumes per $5 \times 10^7$ cells	Volumes per $5 \times 10^8$ cells
	Recommended tube size	5 mL	15 mL
	Recommended magnet	DynaMag™-5	DynaMag™-15
1	Cell volume	500 $\mu$ L	5 mL
1	FlowComp™ Human CD8 antibody	25 $\mu$ L	250 $\mu$ L
3*	Wash cells (Isolation Buffer)	~2 mL	~10 mL
4	Resuspend cells (Isolation Buffer)	1 mL	10 mL
5**	FlowComp™ Dynabeads®	75 $\mu$ L	750 $\mu$ L
7+9	Wash beads (Isolation Buffer)	2 $\times$ 1 mL	2 $\times$ 10 mL
10	FlowComp™ Release Buffer	1 mL	10 mL
14*	Wash cells (Isolation Buffer)	~2 mL	~20 mL

\* Adjust the Isolation Buffer volumes to fit to the tube you are using. For very large volumes use a larger tube than recommended in step 14 to successfully remove the biotin in the sample.

\*\* When incubating, tilt and rotate the vial so the cells and beads are kept in the bottom of the tube. Do not perform end-over-end mixing if the volume is small relative to the tube size.

## Description of Materials

Dynabeads® FlowComp™ are uniform, superparamagnetic polystyrene beads (2.8  $\mu$ m in diameter) coated with modified streptavidin. FlowComp™ Mouse CD8 antibody contains a DSB-X conjugated monoclonal rat anti-mouse IgG2a CD8 $\alpha$  that recognizes Ly2.1 and Ly2.2 cells. FlowComp™ Release Buffer contains a modified biotin that out-competes the modified biotin on the antibody to give the cell release from the beads.

## Related Products

Product	Cat. no.
DynaMag™-5	12303D
DynaMag™-15	12301D
DynaMag™-50	12302D
HulaMixer® Sample Mixer	15920D
Rat anti-mouse CD8 R-PE	MCD0804
Hamster anti-mouse CD3 Alexa Fluor® 488	HM3420
Dynabeads® Mouse T-Activator CD3/CD28	11452D
Phosphate buffered saline	14190
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