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## 1. Description

Components	12 Multi-8 Filter for filtration of lysates
	(#130-092-546) or
	12 Multi-8 Filter plus Frame for filtration of
	lysates (#130-092-548) or
	4 Multi-96 Filter for filtration of lysates
	(#130-092-547).

- **Product format** Multi-8 Filter enable a flexible use of one or multiple filter strips per isolation. Up to six Multi-8 Filter can be placed simultaneously into the Multi-8 Filter Frame. Multi-8 Filter can be purchased with or without the reusable Multi-8 Filter Frame. The Multi-96 Filter contains four single-packed filter plates for 96 reactions that do not require a Multi-8 Filter Frame.
- Storage Store filter in a dry place at room temperature. Do not use after expiration date.

## 1.1 Background

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The patented MACS<sup>\*</sup> Column Technology is based on the usage of MACS MicroBeads, MACS Columns, and MACS Separators. Multi-8 Columns and Multi-96 Columns have been developed for the gentle isolation of MicroBead-labeled molecules with the MultiMACS Separator. To prevent clogging of the columns when using difficult material or large sample amounts, the lysate should be loaded onto the Multi-8 Filter or Multi-96 Filter first. Multi-8 Filter and Multi-96 Filter are optimized for gravity flow with a high flow rate for the removal of larger particles (approximately >30  $\mu$ m).

# Multi-8 Filter Multi-8 Filter and Frame Multi-96 Filter

Multi-8 Filter	130-092-546
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Multi-96 Filter	130-092-547

#### 1.2 Technical specifications

- For maximal sample amounts loaded on the Multi-8 Filter or Multi-96 Filter, refer to the MultiMACS (mRNA Isolation) Kit user manual.
- Columns have to be filled with 1 mL lysate (lysate has to contain 1% detergent).
- Void volume: 80 µL (gravity flow).
- Typical flow rate for Lysis/Binding Buffer without sample:  $850 \ \mu L/minute$ .
- Size exclusion: approximately 30 μm.
- Multi-8/96 Filter are for single use only.

### 1.3 Product applications

Multi-8/96 Filter are used to prevent clogging of Multi-8/96 Columns which would interfere with molecule isolation and could lead to cross contamination of adjacent wells. Multi-8/96 Filter are recommended for the isolation of mRNA from tissue and large cell amounts in combination with MultiMACS mRNA Isolation Kit and a MultiMACS Separator. Multi-8/96 Filter are optimized for gravity flow. Filtering with Multi-8/96 Filters can be performed in one step with magnetic isolation by placing the Multi-8/96 Filter onto the Multi-8/96 Columns, that are inserted in the MultiMACS Separator (see 2.1). Alternatively, Multi-8/96 Filter can be placed onto a Deep Well Block (DWB) to filter and collect the lysate before applying it onto the Multi-8/96 Column (see 2.2).

▲ Note: Samples with high viscosity might cause reduced column flow or column clogging of Multi-8/96 Filter. Therefore, a DNA shearing step is recommended before loading the lysate onto the Multi-8/96 Filter.

#### 1.4 Reagent and instrument requirements

- For mRNA isolation: MultiMACS mRNA Isolation Kit (12×8-well strips: #130-092-520; 4×96-well plates: #130-092-519)
- MultiMACS Separator (#130-091-937)
- (Optional) Deep Well Block (DWB) (2.5 mL, #130-092-549)

# 2. Protocol for the Multi-8 and Multi-96 Filter

## 2.1 Filtration into Multi-8/96 Columns

- 1. Follow the instructions of the MultiMACS (mRNA Isolation) Kit user manual and the Multi-8/96 Column data sheet to start MultiMACS Separator and to insert and rinse Multi-8/96 Columns.
- 2. A) Using Multi-8 Filter

Unpack up to six Multi-8 Filter strips, place them into the Multi-8 Filter Frame, and put them onto the adequate number of Multi-8 Columns in the MultiMACS Separator.

▲ Note: Make sure the Multi-8 Columns and Multi-8 Filter are placed into their respective frame so that Multi-8 Filter tips insert into Multi-8 Columns.



Figure 1: Multi-8 Filter and Frame placed onto Multi-8 Columns.

# B) Using Multi-96 Filter

Unpack one Multi-96 Filter plate and place it onto the Multi-96 Columns in the MultiMACS Separator, so that filter tips insert into column reservoirs.



Figure 2: Multi-96 Filter placed onto Multi-96 Columns.

- 3. Add MicroBeads to lysate according to MultiMACS (mRNA Isolation) Kit user manual.
- Add lysate onto the Multi-8/96 Filter. Wait 2–10 min to let the lysate pass through the filter by gravity flow.
  ▲ Note: MicroBead-labeled mRNA will pass through Multi-8/96 Filter.
- 5. Add 200  $\mu L$  Lysis/Binding Buffer onto the Multi-8/96 Filter and wait until it has passed through.
- 6. Remove drops beneath the Multi-8/96 Filter by touching against the Multi-8/96 Column, then discard Multi-8/96 Filter. Wait until all liquid has passed through the columns.
  - ▲ Note: Store Multi-8 Filter Frame for reuse.
- 7. Continue process according to MultiMACS (mRNA Isolation) Kit user manual.

## 2.2 Filtration into a Deep Well Block (2.5 mL)

▲ The Deep Well Block (DWB, 2.5 mL) included in the Multi-8/96 Columns is used for collection of unlabeled flow-through and wash fractions. In case the filtrate is collected in a DWB, an extra DWB has to be purchased (see section 1.4)

1. A) Using Multi-8 Filter

Remove the seal of those rows of a DWB (2.5 mL) that will be used. Unpack up to six Multi-8 Filter strips, place them into the Multi-8 Filter Frame, and put them onto the DWB.



Figure 3: Multi-8 Filter and Frame placed onto Deep Well Block.

## B) Using Multi-96 Filter

Unseal all rows of a DWB (2.5 mL). Unpack one Multi-96 Filter plate and place it onto the DWB.



Figure 4: Multi-96 Filter placed onto Deep Well Block.

 Add lysate (optional: including MicroBeads) onto the Multi-8/96 Filter. Wait 2–10 min to let the lysate pass through the filter.

▲ Note: If Multi-8/96 Filters are centrifuged, lysate particles might enter the filtrate that will lead to clogging of the Multi-8/96 Columns during isolation. Do not centrifuge Multi-8/96 Filter with lysate containing MicroBeads as this can diminish yield of isolation.

- 3. Add 200  $\mu$ L Lysis/Binding Buffer onto the Multi-8/96 Filter and wait until it has passed through.
- 4. Remove drops beneath the Multi-8/96 Filter by touching against the DWB, then discard Multi-8/96 Filter.
  ▲ Note: Store Multi-8 Filter Frame for reuse.
- 5. If not done before, add MicroBeads to the lysate.
- 6. Follow the instructions of the MultiMACS (mRNA Isolation) Kit user manual and the Multi-8/96 Column data sheet to start MultiMACS Separator, insert and rinse Multi-8/96 Columns.
- 7. Apply filtered lysate onto the columns.
- 8. Continue process according to MultiMACS (mRNA Isolation) Kit user manual.

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