



## AbraMag® Biotin Magnetic Beads

Product No. 544002 (1 mL)  
544000 (2 mL)  
544001 (5 mL)

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### 1. General Description

The Gold Standard Diagnostics' superparamagnetic nanoparticles are coupled with a biomolecule, such as Biotin, and are utilized in the magnetic separation and isolation of avidin and streptavidin-labeled components. The magnetic beads have a large surface area with high capture efficiencies.

### 2. Storage Buffer

Reagent is stored in phosphate buffered saline with detergent and preservative.

### 3. Storage and Stability

The Biotin Magnetic Beads should be stored in the refrigerator (2-8°C). The reagent must be allowed to reach room temperature (20-25°C) before use and may be used until the last day of the month as indicated by the expiration date on the vial. Do not freeze, dry, or centrifuge the beads as they may result in loss of binding activity and aggregation.

### 4. Test Principle

Biotin magnetic beads are incubated with the streptavidin-labeled solution and then separated by magnets. After the unbound particulates are washed from the beads, the bound streptavidin is eluted from the beads using the elution buffer. The beads are then magnetically separated from the eluted solution, which is removed manually.

### 5. Warning and Precautions

- **Do not freeze the reagent.**

-Prior to use, ensure that the product has not expired by verifying that the date of use is prior to the expiration date on the label.

-Ensure that reagent bottle caps are tight after each use to prevent drying of reagents.

-Mistakes in handling the test can also cause errors. Possible sources for such errors can be: inadequate storage conditions of the test kit (or reagents), incorrect pipetting sequence or inaccurate volumes of the reagents, too long or too short incubation times, and/or short magnetic separation times.

-Reagent contains 0.05% sodium azide as a preservative. Sodium azide may react with lead or copper plumbing to produce metal azides, which might cause explosion. To prevent azide accumulation in plumbing, flush with copious amounts of water immediately after disposal.

### 6. Characteristics

Beads mean diameter: ~ 0.5 µm

Beads concentration: 5 mg/mL

Binding capacity: ≥ 30 µg Streptavidin/mg of beads

## A. Materials Provided

Biotin magnetic beads, 5 mg/mL

## B. Additional Materials (not provided with the kit)

1. Binding/Wash Buffer: TBS - 0.05% Tween 20 detergent
2. Elution Buffer: 8 M guanidine-HCL, pH 1.5
3. Micro-pipettes with disposable plastic tips (10-200 and 200-1000  $\mu$ L)
4. 1.5 mL or 2.0 mL Eppendorf or microcentrifuge vials
5. Timer
6. Rotator
7. Distilled or deionized water
8. Vortex mixer
9. Solo or Multi-6 Microcentrifuge Separator (PN 472270; PN 472260)

## C. Isolation Procedure

1. Add 100  $\mu$ L (0.5 mg) of beads to 1 mL of binding buffer in each tube to wash beads.
2. Magnetically separate using a magnetic separator for 2 minutes or when the supernatant is clear.
3. Remove and discard the supernatant. Wash once more by adding 1 mL of binding buffer.
4. Repeat step 2. Remove and discard the supernatant.
5. Resuspend beads by adding 450  $\mu$ L of binding buffer.
6. Add 50  $\mu$ L of serum or cell culture supernatant to the beads.  
*Note: Sample volume can be modified according to user preference. If the sample supernatant volume is < 50  $\mu$ L, dilute to a final volume of 500  $\mu$ L with Binding/Wash Buffer.*
7. Gently mix using vortex or rotator for 30 minutes.
8. Magnetically separate using a magnetic separator for 2 minutes or when the supernatant is clear.
9. Remove and discard supernatant.
10. Add 500  $\mu$ L Binding/Wash buffer to wash the beads and remove unbound proteins.
11. Repeat steps 8 and 9 once more. Remove supernatant.
12. Add 100  $\mu$ L of elution buffer to beads and mix well.
13. Incubate at room temperature for 10 minutes with occasional gentle mixing or vortex.
14. Desalt or dialyze the eluted sample to transfer into a suitable buffer.

**AbraMag®** Magnetic Beads are superparamagnetic, non-aggregating iron oxide particles (or 'microspheres') for sample prep, or for capturing / purifying targets such as proteins, antibodies, DNA/RNA, exosomes, and *E. coli*. **AbraMag's** design enables faster binding kinetics, with high sensitivity & selectivity, in both manual and automated biomedical and research applications.

Superior yield, purity, quality, and value over the leading competitors.

- **Multiple Advantages** – Over conventional methods (columns, centrifugation).
- **Superior Performance** – We have designed them to *match or outperform the competition*.
- **Superior Capacity and Yield** – High binding capacity for rapid and efficient target purification.
- **Superior Purity** – Stable, pre-blocked particles provide clean purification even from complex samples.
- **Customizable** – Custom beads and coupling services available.

