Isolating peripheral blood mononuclear cells (PBMCs) from whole blood is typically a laborious lab procedure. With SepMate™ it doesn’t have to be so time consuming and difficult. SepMate™ is a specialized tube for fast and consistent PBMC isolation in just 15 minutes. It contains a unique insert that prevents layers from mixing so blood can be quickly pipetted or poured over the density gradient medium (e.g. Lymphoprep™). After a 10-minute centrifugation with the brake on, plasma and PBMCs are simply poured into a new tube.

SepMate™ is registered in select countries as an In Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) device for the isolation of mononuclear cells (MNCs) from whole blood or bone marrow by density gradient centrifugation.* SepMate™ tubes are manufactured following current Good Manufacturing Practices (cGMP) and are sterile to ensure no contamination of samples.

**Why Use SepMate™?**

**EASY.** Avoid slow and laborious sample layering over the density gradient medium.

**FAST.** Centrifuge for just 10 minutes with the brake on and simply pour off PBMCs into a new tube.

**CONSISTENT.** Eliminate errors and minimize variability between users.

**REGISTERED.** Use with whole blood or bone marrow samples for In Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) applications.*

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**Figure 1.** There is no significant difference in the recovery of MNCs with and without SepMate™-15 at any time point

Recovery of MNCs from a single sample at 0, 24, and 48 hours post blood draw enriched by density gradient centrifugation with SepMate™-15 (orange squares) or without SepMate™-15 (dark grey squares).

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*I tested the SepMate™ tubes yesterday and they worked… fantastically! I ran in parallel the same sample with my standard protocol and the cell recovery was the same (in a quarter of the time, of course).”

Esperanza Perucha, PhD, Academic Rheumatology King’s College London, UK

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*SepMate™ (IVD) is registered as an In Vitro Diagnostic (IVD) device intended for the isolation of mononuclear cells from human whole blood or cord blood by density gradient centrifugation in Canada, the United States, Europe, and Australia. This product is also available in China where it is considered a non-medical device by the China Food and Drug Administration (CFDA) and should therefore be used as general laboratory equipment. In all other regions, SepMate™ RUO is available for Research Use Only.
Simplify and Speed Up Cell Isolation from Whole Blood

Do you need to source blood or have specific donor requirements?

Yes

No

Yes

No

Are you isolating a specific cell subset?

Yes

No

RosetteSep™

RosetteSep™ cocktails crosslink unwanted cells to red blood cells (RBCs) present in the sample for removal. Desired cells are purified during density gradient centrifugation. Learn more at www.RosetteSep.com.

For more information visit www.stemcell.com/regulated-products.

“SepMate™ tubes… provide a mechanical barrier between the purified effector cells and the density gradient medium. The desired cell populations remain above the barrier and can be poured out of the tube with no technical expertise. This method allows for the concurrent rapid purification of NK cells and CD8+ and CD4+ T cells from multiple human donors, which makes downstream applications (i.e. flow cytometry, ELISA, assessment of in vitro cytotoxicity) more practical to perform in a high-throughput manner.”

So EC et al. (2013)

Cell Subset Isolation

Use EasySep™ to further isolate cell subsets from PBMCs.

www.easysep.com

Analysis by Flow Cytometry

Analyze cells with antibodies compatible with our cell culture and isolation reagents.

www.stemcell.com/antibodies

Cell Culture

Culture isolated immune cells with specialized media and supplements.

www.immunocult.com

Cryopreservation

Cryopreserve cells using cGMP-manufactured, animal component-free cryopreservation medium.

www.stemcell.com/cryopreservation

IVD Applications

Use MNCs isolated with SepMate™ for your downstream IVD applications.

www.stemcell.com/regulated-products

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*Cost-effective alternative to Ficoll-Paque® and fully compatible with both SepMate™ and RosetteSep™

The SepMate™ tube allows isolated cells to be simply poured off into a new tube.

What downstream applications are you using your cells for?

Analysis by Flow Cytometry

Cell Culture

Cryopreservation

IVD Applications

Cell Subset Isolation

Analysis by Flow Cytometry

Cell Culture

Cryopreservation

IVD Applications
**SepMate™ Applications**

Isolation of Specific Cell Subsets from Whole Blood in 25 Minutes

Immune cell isolation plays an important role in areas such as drug discovery and development, vaccine research, and translational immunology. The movement towards more physiologically relevant assays based on primary human cells has created the need for a fast and efficient method of isolating immune cells from large numbers of whole blood samples. To facilitate this type of high-throughput cell processing, SepMate™ can be combined with RosetteSep™ for rapid and efficient cell isolation directly from whole blood in as little as 25 minutes (see page 2). No columns or magnets are necessary, and minimal training is required.

At the University of Maryland School of Medicine, Dr. Ajay Jain and colleagues routinely isolate Natural Killer (NK) cells from large numbers of human samples. Jain’s lab adopted the RosetteSep™ and SepMate™ cell isolation system in place of their previous method: density gradient centrifugation followed by column-based immunomagnetic isolation. Dr. Jain’s group found that NK cells isolated using RosetteSep™ and SepMate™ have similar expression profiles and cytotoxicity to cells isolated using their previous method but cells were obtain in less than half of the time.

**PBMC Isolation from Non-Human Blood Samples**

SepMate™ has been used to isolate PBMCs from non-human samples for research applications, including the following species:

- Non-human primate
- Pig
- Dog
- Horse
- Goat
- And more …

The isolation of PBMCs from non-human blood samples using SepMate™ is for research use only and may require modifications from what is specified in the product information sheet. Please contact our Product and Scientific Support team at techsupport@stemcell.com for details.

## References


## Product Listing

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b. SepMate™ (RUO) is intended for Research Use Only (RUO) and is available in regions where SepMate™ (IVD) is not available.

c. Lymphoprep™ has the same density as Ficoll-Paque® and can be substituted for Ficoll-Paque® without any need to change your existing protocols. Lymphoprep™ is for Research Use Only (RUO).