



# MojoSort™ Mouse CD326 (Ep-CAM) Positive Selection Protocol

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## Abstract

Mouse CD326 (Ep-CAM) cells are selected by incubating the sample with biotin conjugated anti-mouse CD326 antibody after blocking with TruStain FcX™ (anti-mouse CD16/32 antibody) then followed by Streptavidin Nanobeads (Cat. No. 480015/480016). The magnetically labeled fraction is retained by the use of a magnetic separator. After collection of the CD326 (Ep-CAM) expressing cells, downstream applications include functional assays, gene expression, phenotypic characterization, etc. In addition to CD326 (Ep-CAM) expression on epithelial and tumor cells, CD326 is also expressed on subtypes of leukocytes, which should be depleted using MojoSort™ Mouse CD45 Nanobeads (Cat. No. 480027/480028) before CD326 positive selection.

**Note:** This procedure is optimized for the isolation of  $10^7$  to  $2 \times 10^8$  cells per tube. If working with fewer than  $10^7$  cells, keep volumes as indicated for  $10^7$  cells. For best results, optimize the conditions to your specific cell number and tissue. Prepare fresh MojoSort™ Buffer solution by diluting the 5X concentrate with sterile distilled water. Scale up volumes if using 14mL tubes and Magnet, and place the tube in the magnet for 10 minutes.

## Guidelines

MojoSort™ magnetic particles can be used with other commercially available magnetic separators, both free standing magnets and column-based systems. Because MojoSort™ protocols are optimized for the MojoSort™ separator, the protocols may need to be adjusted for other systems. Please contact BioLegend Technical Service (tech@biolegend.com) for more information and guidance. We do not recommend using MojoSort™ particles for BD's IMag™ or Life Technologies' DynaMag™.

**Application notes:** To use this product in magnetic separation columns, a titration of the Nanobeads should be performed. Optimal concentration for magnetic separation columns is lot-specific. Please contact BioLegend Technical Service (tech@biolegend.com) for further assistance on how to use MojoSort™ Nanobeads in magnetic separation columns.

## Materials

### MATERIALS

⊗ MojoSort™ Magnet **BioLegend Catalog #480019**

⊗ MojoSort™ Buffer **BioLegend Catalog #480017**

⊗ MojoSort™ Mouse CD326 (Ep-CAM) Selection Kit **BioLegend Catalog #480141, 480142**

- Adjustable pipettes
- 70µm filters (one per sample)
- 5mL (12 × 75mm) or 14mL (17 × 100mm) polypropylene tubes
- Reagents for sample preparation
- Reagents and instruments (Flow cytometer) to determine yield and purity



- 1 Prepare cells from your tissue of interest or blood without lysing erythrocytes. Kits for human samples have been optimized for PBMCs, please prepare the cells using a suitable method.
- 2 In the final wash of your sample preparation, resuspend the cells in MojoSort™ Buffer by adding up to 4mL in a 5 mL (12 × 75 mm) polypropylene tube.  
**Note:** Keep MojoSort™ Buffer on ice throughout the procedure.
- 3 Filter the cells with a 70µm cell strainer, centrifuge at 300xg for 5 minutes, and resuspend in an appropriate volume of MojoSort™ Buffer. Count and adjust the cell concentration to  $1 \times 10^8$  cells/mL.
- 4 Aliquot 100µL of cell suspension ( $10^7$  cells) into a new tube. Add **10µL of TruStain FcX™ (anti-mouse CD16/32 antibody)**, mix well and **incubate at room temperature for 10 minutes**. Scale up the volume accordingly if separating more cells. For example, if the volume of Mouse TruStain FcX™ for  $1 \times 10^7$  cells is 10µL, add 100µL for  $1 \times 10^8$  cells. When working with less than  $10^7$  cells, use indicated volumes for  $10^7$  cells.
- 5 Add **5µL of the Biotin anti-mouse CD326 (Ep-CAM) antibody**. Mix well and **incubate on ice for 15 minutes**. Scale up the volume accordingly if separating more cells. For example, add 100 µL of Antibody for separating  $1 \times 10^8$  cells in 1 ml of MojoSort™ Buffer. When working with less than  $10^7$  cells, use indicated volumes for  $10^7$  cells.  
*Optional:* Take an aliquot before adding the cocktail to monitor purity and yield.
- 6 Wash the cells by adding MojoSort™ Buffer up to 4mL. Centrifuge the cells at 300xg for 5 minutes.
- 7 Discard supernatant and resuspend in 100µL of MojoSort™ Buffer.
- 8 Resuspend the beads by vortexing, maximum speed, 5 touches. **Add 10µL of Streptavidin Nanobeads**. Mix well and **incubate on ice for 15 minutes**. Scale up the volume accordingly if separating more cells. For example, add 100 µL of Nanobeads for separating  $1 \times 10^8$  cells in 1 ml of MojoSort™ Buffer. When working with less than  $10^7$  cells, use indicated volumes for  $10^7$  cells.
- 9 Wash the cells by adding MojoSort™ Buffer up to 4mL. Centrifuge the cells at 300xg for 5 minutes.
- 10 Discard supernatant.
- 11 Add 2.5mL of MojoSort™ Buffer.  
**Note:** If you observe aggregates, filter the suspension. To maximize yield, you can disrupt the aggregates by pipetting the solution up and down.

- 12 Place the tube in the magnet for 5 minutes.  
*Optional:* Take a small aliquot before placing the tube in the magnet to monitor purity and yield. Keep unused cells to be used as control or other applications if needed.
- 13 Pour out the unlabeled fraction. If these are your cells of interest, **DO NOT DISCARD**. Resuspend the labeled cells in 2.5mL MojoSort™ Buffer.
- 14 Repeat steps 10-12 on the labeled fraction twice more for a total of **3 separations**. Pool the unlabeled fractions and keep the labeled cells. The fraction that is not of interest may be useful as staining controls, to monitor purity/yield, or other purposes.  
*Optional:* Take a small aliquot to monitor purity and yield.

