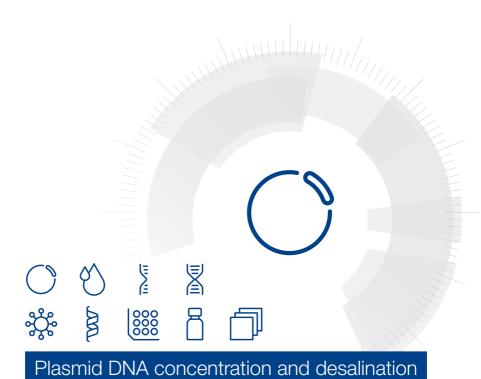
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User manual



■ NucleoSpin[®] Finisher Midi

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Plasmid DNA concentration and desalination

Protocol at a glance (Rev. 02)

NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi

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| Adjust precipitation conditions | 2.5 mL Buffer FB to 5 mL anion exchange eluate Vortex for 5 s |
| 2 Filtrate | Load mixture 1 min, 3,000 x <i>g</i> Discard flowthrough |
| 3 Wash and dry filter membrane | 2 mL Buffer A4 2 min, \geq 3,000 x g |
| 4 Elute DNA | 200 – 500 µL $\rm H_2O$ -EF RT, 1 min $2 \rm min, \geq 3,000 \times \it g$ |



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1 Components

1.1 Kit contents

| | NucleoSpin [®] | Finisher Midi |
|--|-------------------------|-----------------------|
| REF | 10 preps 740439.10 | 50 preps 740439.50 |
| Buffer FB | 30 mL | 150 mL |
| Buffer A4 (Concentrate)* | 6 mL | 25 mL |
| H ₂ O-EF | 13 mL | 30 mL |
| NucleoSpin [®] Finisher Midi Columns (in 50 mL Collection Tubes) | 10 | 50 |
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1.2 Reagents and equipment to be supplied by user

Reagents

96 – 100 % ethanol

Equipment

- Centrifuge capable of reaching \geq 3,000 x g with adaptors for 50 mL centrifuge tubes
- Pipettes and pipette tips for 0.1 1 mL and 0.5 10 mL

1.3 About this user Manual

It is recommended to read the instructions of this user manual carefully before use. All technical literature is also available on the internet at **www.mn-net.com**.

Please contact Technical Service regarding information about changes of the current user manual compared to previous or updated revisions.

^{*} For preparation of working solution and storage conditions see section 3.

2 Product description

2.1 Basic principle

NucleoSpin® Finisher kits supersede the commonly used and time consuming isopropanol precipitation of DNA from anion exchange eluates by allowing the rapid DNA precipitation onto a filter membrane, followed by a combined washing / drying step and a convenient elution with a variable elution volume. All steps are conveniently performed in a centrifuge which allows the parallel purification of multiple samples.

DNA is precipitated by Buffer FB and filtered by the specially designed matrix of the novel **NucleoSpin® Finisher Columns**, followed by a combined washing and drying step with ethanolic Wash Buffer A4 to remove salts, impurities, and ethanol.

Afterwards, plasmid DNA can be eluted in supplied endotoxin-free H_2O -EF. The applied elution volume can be adjusted from 100 μ L to 1.5 mL according to the expected amount of plasmid DNA to ensure optimal yield and concentration (see section 2.4 for recommendations concerning the optimal elution volume).

2.2 Kit specifications

The **NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi** kit is specifically designed for the fast and parallel purification and concentration of up to 2 mg of plasmid DNA from anion exchange preparation eluates. The **NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi** kit can be used in combination with the **NucleoBond® Xtra Midi** and the **NucleoBond® PC 100** kits.

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Purification of DNA from maxi prep eluates (**NucleoBond® Xtra Maxi** and **NucleoBond® PC 500**) is also possible, but will require multiple loading steps and additional precipitation buffer (to be ordered separately).

2.3 Recommendations for pipetting of Buffer FB

Buffer FB is viscous. Use of **reverse pipetting** is recommended to ensure accurate volumes. Reverse pipetting is done by pressing down the pipette's plunger button all the way down to the second stop before slowly aspirating the Buffer FB until the plunger button rests again in the starting position. The buffer volume inside the pipette tip is larger than set now, so when dispensing the Buffer FB to the anion exchange eluates, be sure to dispense to the first stop only! Liquid remaining in the pipette tip can be dispensed back to the original solution.

For further details concerning the reverse pipetting technique and liquid handling of viscous fluids, you may also check your pipette manufacturer's information material.

2.4 Elution procedures

Total yield depends on the final DNA concentration in the eluates.

A higher concentration than 2 μ g/ μ L of DNA is highly viscous and therefore difficult to elute from a spin column. As a result, DNA will not elute completely if the elution buffer volume is too low.

To prevent reduced total yield as side-effect of high concentration, it is recommended to measure the DNA content of the anion exchange eluate and to choose the total elution volume accordingly to gain a final concentration of $1-2 \,\mu g/\mu L$.

- For a high **concentration**, use an elution volume of 200 µL, reload the eluate onto the column, and repeat the elution step.
- For a high yield, use an elution volume of 500 μL, reload the eluate onto the column, and repeat the elution step.

In general, it is advantageous to incubate the Elution Buffer on the membrane at room temperature or elevated temperatures (e.g., 50-70 °C) for 1-5 min.

| Recommended elution volumes according to expected yield | | | |
|---|---------------|----------------------------|--|
| Kit | DNA yield | Recommended elution volume | |
| NucleoBond® PC 100 | up to 100 µg | 100-150 μL | |
| NucleoBond® Xtra Midi | up to 500 µg | 200-500 μL | |
| NucleoBond® PC 500 | up to 500 µg | 200-500 μL | |
| NucleoBond® Xtra Maxi | up to 1500 μg | 2 × 500 μL | |

3 Storage conditions and preparation of working solutions

All kit components can be stored at room temperature (18 – 25 $^{\circ}$ C) and are stable for at least two years.

Before starting any NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi protocol, prepare the following:

• Wash Buffer A4: Add the given volume of ethanol (96 – 100 %) as indicated on the bottle or in the table below to Buffer A4 Concentrate before first use. Mark the label on the bottle to indicate that the ethanol is added. Prepared Buffer A4 is stable at room temperature (18 – 25 °C) for at least one year.

| | NucleoSpin [®] Finisher Midi | | |
|----------------------------|---------------------------------------|-----------------------------|--|
| REF | 10 preps 740439.10 | 50 preps 740439.50 | |
| Buffer A4 (Concentrate) | 6 mL Add 24 mL ethanol | 25 mL Add 100 mL ethanol | |

4 Safety instructions

When working with the **NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi** kit wear suitable protective clothing (e.g., lab coat, disposable gloves, and protective goggles). For more information consult the appropriate Material Safety Data Sheets (MSDS available online at *http://www.mn-net.com/msds*).



The waste generated with the **NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi** kit has not been tested for residual infectious material. A contamination of the liquid waste with residual infectious material is highly unlikely due to strong denaturing lysis buffer and Proteinase K treatment but it cannot be excluded completely. Therefore, liquid waste must be considered infectious and should be handled and discarded according local safety regulations.

4.1 Disposal

Dispose hazardous, infectious or biologically contaminated materials in a safe and acceptable manner and in accordance with all local and regulatory requirements.

5 Protocol for plasmid concentration and desalination

5.1 Plasmid purification from anion exchange prep eluates

Before starting the preparation:

Check if Buffer A4 was prepared according to section 3.

1 Adjust precipitation conditions

Add 2.5 mL Buffer FB to 5 mL anion exchange eluate.

Reverse pipetting is recommended (see section 2.3).

Vortex for 5 s.

2 Filtrate

Load the mixture onto a **NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi Column** combined with a 50 mL Collection Tube.

Centrifuge for 1 min at $3,000 \times g$. If the filtration is not complete, repeat centrifugation until all fluid has passed the filter membrane.

Discard flowthrough and place the NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi Column back into the empty Collection Tube.

3 Wash and dry filter membrane

Apply 2 mL Buffer A4 onto the column. Centrifuge for 2 min at \geq 3,000 x g. Discard collection tube and place the NucleoSpin[®] Finisher Midi Column into a new 50 mL Collection Tube (not supplied).

4 Elute DNA

Add $200-500~\mu L$ (minimum 100 μL , maximum 1.5 mL) of nuclease- and endotoxin-free H_2O -EF onto the membrane and incubate at room temperature for 1 min.

Centrifuge for 2 min at \geq 3,000 x q.

<u>Optional:</u> Repeat elution with the eluate as elution buffer for optimal recovery. See section 2.4 for further recommendations.

5.2 DNA precipitation from maxi prep eluates

Note: The supplied volume of Buffer FB in this kit will not be sufficient for purification of maxi prep eluates. Additional buffer has to be ordered separately (see ordering information).

Add **7.5 mL Buffer FB** to **15 mL** anion exchange maxi prep eluate. Load up to 8 mL of the mixture onto a **NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi Column** combined with a 50 mL Collection Tube. Centrifuge for **1 min** at **3,000** \times **g**. If the filtration is not complete, repeat centrifugation until all fluid has passed the filter membrane.

Discard flowthrough and place the NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi Column back into the empty collection tube. Repeat this step until all the mixture from step 1 has passed the filter membrane.

Continue with step 3 of the standard protocol.

6 Appendix

6.1 Troubleshooting

| Problem | Possible cause and suggestions | |
|---------------|---|--|
| | No plasmid DNA present in anion exchange eluates. | |
| | Measure DNA yield after anion exchange prep. | |
| | Insufficient amount of Buffer FB added. | |
| No or low DNA | Buffer FB is viscous, make sure to add the correct volume. | |
| yield | Use "reverse pipetting" to avoid inaccurate pipetting of precipitation buffer (see section 2.3). | |
| | Precipitation works best when 0.5 vol of Buffer FB are added to each vol of anion exchange eluate. When using other volumes than those of the standard procedure, adjust volume of Buffer FB accordingly. | |

6.2 Ordering information

| Product | REF | Pack of | |
|---------------------------------------|------------------------|----------------------|--|
| NucleoSpin® Finisher Midi | 740439.10 740439.50 | 10 preps 50 preps | |
| MN Vacuum Manifold | 740299 | 1 | |
| NucleoSnap [®] Finisher Midi | 740434.10 740434.50 | 10 preps 50 preps | |
| NucleoSnap [®] Finisher Maxi | 740435.10 740435.50 | 10 preps 50 preps | |
| Buffer FB | 740438.1000 | 1000 mL | |
| Buffer A4 (Concentrate) | 740914.1 | 200 mL | |
| H ₂ O-EF | 740798.1 | 1000 mL | |

6.3 Product use restriction/warranty

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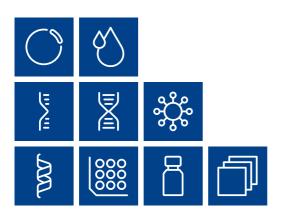
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