MagMAX[™] Pathogen RNA/DNA Kit

For semen samples

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Note: For safety and biohazard guidelines, see the "Safety" appendix in the *MagMAX*[™] *Pathogen RNA/DNA Kit User Guide* (Pub. No. 4463379). Read the Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) and follow the handling instructions. Wear appropriate protective eyewear, clothing, and gloves.

This document provides procedures for purifying nucleic acid on the KingFisher^M Flex Magnetic Particle Processor, MagMAX^M Express-96 Deep Well Magnetic Particle Processor (MME-96 processor), or the MagMAX^M Express Magnetic Particle Processor (MME-24 processor). For manual purification procedures, see the *MagMAX^M* Pathogen RNA/DNA Kit User Guide (Pub. No. 4463379).

You can use the MagMAX[™] Pathogen RNA/DNA Kit to purify nucleic acid from 115 µL of clarified semen lysate.

Before each use of the kit

When preparing the reagents:

- Calculate the total volume that is required for each component: volume for 1 reaction × the total number of reactions.
- Include 10% excess volume to account for pipetting errors.

Prepare Lysis/Binding Solution

1. Combine the components listed below in the order indicated.

Component	Volume
Lysis/Binding Solution Concentrate	150 μL
Carrier RNA (µg/µL)	1 µL
<i>(Optional)</i> ^[1] Xeno [™] RNA or Xeno [™] DNA	2 µL
Total volume for 1 reaction	153 μL

^[1] Add nuclease-free water if not adding Xeno[™] RNA or DNA.

2. Mix well by vortexing.

Prepare the Bead Mix

- 1. Vortex the Nucleic Acid Binding Beads well to ensure that the beads are fully resuspended.
- 2. On ice, combine the components that are listed below.

Component	Volume
Nucleic Acid Binding Beads	10 µL
Lysis ENHANCER	10 µL
Total volume for 1 reaction	20 µL

3. Mix well by vortexing.

Store on ice for up to 4 hours.



Prepare the lysate using microcentrifuge tubes

This method is recommended for up to 24 samples.

For each sample:

- 1. Add 150 μ L of the prepared Lysis/Binding Solution to a 1.5-mL microcentrifuge tube.
- 2. Vortex the semen vigorously (maximum setting) for 15 seconds.
- 3. Add 100 µL of the vortexed semen to the 1.5-mL microcentrifuge tube containing the Lysis/Binding Solution.
- 4. Vortex vigorously (maximum setting) for 3 minutes.
- 5. Centrifuge at 16,000 *x* g (maximum setting) for 2 minutes to clarify the lysate.

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Prepare the lysate using plates

This method is recommended for more than 24 samples.

- 1. Using a multichannel pipette, add 150 μL of the prepared Lysis/Binding Solution to each reaction well of a MagMAX[™] Express-96 Deep Well Plate.
- 2. Vortex the semen vigorously (maximum setting) for 15 seconds.
- 3. Add 100 μ L of the vortexed semen to each reaction well.
- 4. Cover the plate with an Aluminum Adhesive Plate Sealer.
- 5. Using a plate shaker, shake at moderate speed for 5 minutes (see the *MagMAX[™] Pathogen RNA/DNA Kit User Guide*, Part. No. 4463379, for shaker settings).
- **6.** Centrifuge at \geq 2500 *x g* (maximum setting) for 5 minutes to clarify the lysate.

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Process samples on the KingFisher[™] Flex/MagMAX[™] Express-96 Deep Well Magnetic Particle Processor

Note: It is critical that you prepare the sample plate last to reduce the time that the Bead Mix, sample, and 100% isopropanol are unmixed. To ensure best results, after preparing the sample plate, immediately load it onto the processor for purification.

Complete the steps below at room temperature and in the order indicated.

1. Select the one of the following scripts.

Script	Instrument
4462359_DW_50	 KingFisher[™] Flex Magnetic Particle Processor
	 MagMAX[™] Express-96 Deep Well Magnetic Particle Processor
MagMAX [™] _Pathogen_Stnd_Vol	 KingFisher[™] Flex Magnetic Particle Processor

- 2. Prepare the tip comb plate: Place an MME-96 Deep Well Tip Comb in one MME-96 Standard Plate.
- 3. Prepare the Wash Solution 1 plates, by adding 150 µL of prepared Wash Solution 1 to two MME-96 Standard Plates.
- 4. Prepare the Wash Solution 2 plates, 150 µL of prepared Wash Solution 2 to two MME-96 Standard Plates.

- 5. Prepare the elution plate, by adding 90 µL of Elution Buffer to one MME-96 Standard Plate (not the tip comb plate).
- **6.** Prepare the sample plate:

Note: After you start preparing the sample plate, do not pause until all plates are loaded onto the MME-96 processor and you have started the script.

- a. Add 20 μL of prepared Bead Mix to one MME-96 Deep Well Plate.
- **b.** Add 115 μ L of prepared sample (clarified lysate) to the plate.
- c. Add 65 µL of 100% isopropanol to the plate.
- 7. Immediately start the MME-96 processor script, then load the plates onto the processor as directed.

Table 1 Processing plate setup: Semen (deep-well head configuration)

Plate ID	Plate position	Plate type	Reagent	Volume per well
Sample plate	1	MME-96 Deep Well Plate	Bead Mix	20 µL
			Sample (clarified lysate)	115 μL
			100% Isopropanol	65 µL
First Wash 1	2	MME-96 Standard Plate	Wash Solution 1	150 μL
Second Wash 1	3	MME-96 Standard Plate	Wash Solution 1	150 μL
First Wash 2	4	MME-96 Standard Plate	Wash Solution 2	150 μL
Second Wash 2	5	MME-96 Standard Plate	Wash Solution 2	150 μL
Elution	6	MME-96 Standard Plate	Elution Buffer	90 µL
Tip comb plate	7	MME-96 Standard Plate	MME-96 Deep Well Tip Comb in plate	

STOPPING POINT Store the purified nucleic acid on ice for immediate use, at -20°C for up to 1 month, or at -80°C for long-term storage.

Process samples on the MagMAX[™] Express Magnetic Particle Processor (MME-24)

Complete the steps below at room temperature and in the order indicated.

- 1. Select the 4462359 MME-24 script.
- 2. Insert the MME-24 Tip Combs into the instrument head.
- 3. Add 150 μ L of prepared Wash Solution 1 to rows B and C of an MME-24 Plate.
- 4. Add 150 µL of prepared Wash Solution 2 to rows D and E.
- 5. Add 90 μ L of Elution Buffer to row F.
- 6. To row A, add the following in the order indicated:
 - a. 20 µL of prepared Bead Mix.
 - **b.** 115 μ L of prepared sample (clarified lysate).

- c. 65 µL of 100% isopropanol.
- 7. Load the MME-24 Plate onto the processor, then start the MME-24 processor script.

Row	Reagent	Volume per well
А	Bead Mix	20 µL
	Sample (clarified lysate)	115 µL
	100% Isopropanol	65 µL
В	Wash Solution 1	150 µL
C	Wash Solution 1	150 µL
D	Wash Solution 2	150 µL
E	Wash Solution 2	150 µL
F	Elution Buffer 90 µL	

Table 2 Processing plate setup: Semen

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