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# QIAsymphony® DSP DNA Mini Kit Instructions for Use (Protocol Sheet)

DNA\_Blood\_200\_V7\_DSP protocol

Version 2



For In Vitro Diagnostic Use

For use with QIAsymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit (192)



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The protocol sheet available electronically and can be found under the resource tab of the product page on [www.qiagen.com](http://www.qiagen.com).

## General information

The QIAAsymphony DSP DNA Kit is intended for in vitro diagnostic use.

This protocol is for purification of total genomic and mitochondrial DNA from fresh or frozen human whole blood using the QIAAsymphony SP and the QIAAsymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit.

<b>Kit</b>	QIAAsymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit (cat. no. 937236)
<b>Sample material</b>	Human whole blood (EDTA, citrate, or heparin anti-coagulated)
<b>Protocol name</b>	DNA_Blood_200_V7_DSP
<b>Default Assay Control Set</b>	ACS_Blood_200_V7_DSP
<b>Editable</b>	Elution volume: 50, 100, and 200 µl
<b>Required software version</b>	Version 4.0 or higher
<b>Required software configuration for IVD use</b>	Default Profile 1

## “Sample” drawer

<b>Sample type</b>	Human whole blood (EDTA, citrate, or heparin anti-coagulated)
<b>Sample volume</b>	Depends on type of sample tube used; For more information, see the labware list which can be found under the resource tab of the product page on <a href="http://www.qiagen.com">www.qiagen.com</a> .
<b>Primary sample tubes</b>	For more information, see the labware list which can be found under the resource tab of the product page on <a href="http://www.qiagen.com">www.qiagen.com</a> .
<b>Secondary sample tubes</b>	For more information, see the labware list which can be found under the resource tab of the product page on <a href="http://www.qiagen.com">www.qiagen.com</a> .
<b>Inserts</b>	Depends on type of sample tube used; For more information, see the labware list which can be found under the resource tab of the product page on <a href="http://www.qiagen.com">www.qiagen.com</a> .

## “Reagents and Consumables” drawer

<b>Position A1 and/or A2</b>	Reagent cartridge (RC)
<b>Position B1</b>	n/a
<b>Tip rack holder 1–17</b>	Disposable filter-tips, 200 or 1500 µl
<b>Unit box holder 1–4</b>	Unit boxes containing sample prep cartridges or 8-Rod Covers

n/a = not applicable.

## “Waste” drawer

<b>Unit box holder 1–4</b>	Empty unit boxes
<b>Waste bag holder</b>	Waste bag
<b>Liquid waste bottle holder</b>	Empty liquid waste bottle

## “Eluate” drawer

Elution rack (we recommend using slot 1, cooling position)

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## Required plasticware

Plasticware	One batch 24 samples*	Two batches 48 samples*	Three batches 72 samples*	Four batches 96 samples*
Disposable filter-tips, 200 µl†‡	26	50	74	98
Disposable filter-tips, 1500 µl†‡	86	164	242	320
Sample prep cartridges§	18	36	54	72
8-Rod Covers¶	3	6	9	12

\* Use of less than 24 samples per batch decreases the number of disposable filter-tips required per run.

† There are 32 filter-tips/tip rack.

‡ Number of required filter-tips includes filter-tips for 1 inventory scan per RC.

§ There are 28 sample prep cartridges/unit box.

¶ There are twelve 8-Rod Covers/unit box.

**Note:** Numbers of filter-tips given may differ from the numbers displayed in the touchscreen depending on settings. We recommend loading the maximum possible number of tips.

## Elution volume

The elution volume is selected in the touchscreen. Depending on the sample type and DNA content, the final eluate volume may vary by up to 15 µl less than the selected volume. Because the eluate volume may vary, we recommend checking the actual eluate volume when using an automated assay setup system that does not verify the eluate volume prior to transfer. Elution in lower volumes increases the final DNA concentration but slightly reduces the yield. We recommend using an elution volume appropriate for the intended downstream application.

## Preparation of sample material

When working with chemicals, always wear a suitable lab coat, disposable gloves, and protective goggles. For more information, consult the appropriate safety data sheets (SDSs), available from the product supplier.

For general collection, transport and storage recommendations refer to the approved CLSI guideline MM13-A “Collection, Transport, Preparation, and Storage of Specimens for Molecular Methods”. Furthermore, the manufacturer’s instructions for the selected sample collection device shall be followed during sample preparation, storage, transport and general handling.

Independent of the blood collection tube manufacturer’s instructions ISO 20186-2:2019 (E) for automated gDNA extraction from venous whole blood should be considered.

## Human whole blood

Whole blood samples treated with EDTA, citrate, or heparin can be used, and may be either fresh or frozen. If using fresh blood samples in primary tubes, mix the blood samples thoroughly (e.g., by inverting the tubes several times) before loading them onto the QIASymphony SP. Frozen samples should be thawed quickly in a 37°C water bath with mild agitation to ensure thorough mixing and then equilibrated to room temperature (15–25°C) before beginning the procedure. To ensure reliable sample transfer, avoid generating foam in sample tubes. Try to avoid blood clots in the samples and, if necessary, transfer the sample without clots to a fresh tube.

Yield and quality of the purified DNA depend on the storage conditions of the blood. Fresher blood samples may yield better results. For short-term storage of up to 10 days, we recommend storage at 2–8°C. However, for applications requiring maximum fragment size, such as southern blotting, we recommend storage at 2–8°C for up to 3 days only, as low levels of DNA degradation will occur after this time. For long-term storage (over 10 days), collect blood in tubes containing a standard anticoagulant (preferably EDTA, if high-molecular-weight DNA is required), and store at –20°C or –80°C.

**Note:** Sample stability highly depends on various factors and relates to the specific downstream application. It has been established for the QIASymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit in conjunction with exemplary downstream applications. It is the responsibility of the user to consult the instructions for use of the specific downstream application used in their laboratory and/or validate the whole workflow to establish appropriate storage conditions.

## Storage of eluates

It is recommended to remove the eluate plate from the “Eluate” drawer immediately after the run has finished. Elution plates may be left in the QIASymphony SP after the run is completed overnight (maximum 12 hours including run time; recommended environmental conditions: 18–26°C and 20–75% relative humidity). Depending on temperature and humidity, eluate may experience condensation or evaporation.

For short-term storage eluates might be stored at room temperature for up to 2 weeks. For long-term storage, we recommend storage at 2–8°C, –20°C, or –80°C. Frozen eluates must not be thawed more than three times.

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## Important point before starting

- QIASymphony magnetic particles may copurify RNA if it is present in the sample. To minimize RNA content in the sample, add RNase A to the sample before starting the procedure. The final RNase A concentration should be 2 mg/ml.

## Limitations and interfering substances





Blood samples with high concentrations of triglycerides (>30 g/l) may lead to reduced gDNA yield.

**Note:** Testing was done using exemplary downstream applications for an assessment of the quality of the extracted nucleic acids. However, different downstream applications may have different requirements with respect to purity (i.e., absence of potential interfering substances), so the identification and testing of relevant substances also needs to be established as part of the downstream application development for any workflow involving the QIAasymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit.

**Note:** Please note that during development of the QIAasymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit no indications were observed that heparin has a negative impact on the performance. However, ISO 20186-2:2019(E) states that heparin from blood collection tubes may impact the purity of the isolated nucleic acids and possible carryover into eluates could cause inhibitions in some downstream applications. Therefore, it is the user's responsibility to validate if heparin has a negative influence on their workflow.

## Symbols

The following symbols appear in this document. For a full list of symbols used in the instructions for use or on the packaging and labeling, please refer to the handbook.

Symbol	Symbol definition
	This product fulfills the requirements of the European Regulation 2017/746 for in vitro diagnostic medical devices.
	In vitro diagnostic medical device
	Catalog number
Rn	R is for revision of the Instructions for Use and n is the revision number
	Manufacturer

## Revision history

Revision	Description
R1, June 2022	Version 2, Revision 1 <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li data-bbox="619 378 1107 404">• Update to version 2 for compliance to IVD</li><li data-bbox="619 417 1267 442">• Addition of Limitations and interfering substances section</li><li data-bbox="619 455 1059 480">• Addition of Storage of eluates section</li><li data-bbox="619 493 956 519">• Addition of Symbols section</li><li data-bbox="619 532 1179 557">• Update of Preparation of sample material section</li></ul>

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