

ENHANCE - S Plus Cell Isolation Media

Reference: 15234, 15235, 15229, 15232, 15246

For laboratory use only; other uses must be qualified by the end user

INTENDED USE

Enhance-S Plus Cell Isolation Media (ESP) are gradient systems for semen preparation which consist of silane-coated colloidal silica particles suspended in HEPES-buffered EBSS (Earle's Balanced Salt Solution). The density gradient separation technique is a well-accepted method for sperm preparation; normal spermatozoa, abnormal spermatozoa, other cells present in the semen sample have different densities ESP media contains silica coated particles that allow for separation of spermatozoa and other cells according to their density.

Enhance-S Plus Cell Isolation Media can be used in combination with in vitro fertilization, intrauterine insemination, and procedures involving sperm manipulation.

ENHANCE-S PLUS COMPONENTS

Enhance-S Plus Upper Layer (45%) Medium
Enhance-S Plus Lower Layer (90%) Medium

ADDITIONAL MATERIALS NEEDED

3cc syringes with 1 1/2" 21g needle.
Sterile, disposable conical centrifuge tube.
Centrifuge (must be able to operate for up to 30 minutes at 350g – 450g).
Incubator or water bath at 37°C (optional).
Enhance Sperm Wash Medium or other sperm-washing medium.

CONFIGURATION BY REFERENCE

15234, 6 each - 12.5mL 45% and 90% set
15235, 1 each 12.5mL 90%
15229, 1 each 100mL 45% and 90% set
15232, 1 each 100mL 90%
15246, 1 each 500mL 90%

CALCULATION OF G-FORCES

The appropriate rpm for your centrifuge can be calculated using this formula:

$$\text{rpm} = \sqrt{\left[\frac{g}{1.118 \times r} \right]} \quad \text{or} \quad g = 1.118 \times r \times \text{rpm}^2$$

where: r = radius of centrifuge in mm rpm = rotations per minute / 1000

Example #1: To Achieve 350g, If $r = 100\text{mm}$, $g=350$

$$\text{rpm} = \sqrt{\left[\frac{350}{1.118 \times 100} \right]} = 1.77 = 1770 \text{ rotations per minute}$$

Example #2: If $r = 100\text{mm}$, $\text{rpm} = 1.8$ (1800 rotations per minute)

$$g = 1.118 \times 100 \times 3.24 = 362 \text{ g}$$

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE WITH FRESH SEMEN SAMPLES USING ENHANCE-S PLUS 45% and 90% LAYERS

1. Bring all components of the system and samples to room temperature or to 37°C.
2. Transfer 2.5mL of Enhance-S Plus upper layer (45%) into a sterile disposable centrifuge tube.
3. Using a 3cc syringe with a 1 1/2" 21 gauge needle, place 2.5mL of Enhance-S Plus lower layer (90%) under the upper layer (45%). Take care that the two layers are distinctly separated. This is done by placing the tip of the needle on the bottom of the test tube and slowly dispensing the Enhance-S Plus lower layer (90%). This two-layer gradient is stable for up to two hours.
4. Gently place up to 2.5mL of liquefied semen onto the upper layer with a transfer pipette or syringe.
5. Centrifuge for 15 to 18 minutes at 350g to 400g. When this centrifugation is complete you may not be able to visibly see a pellet. If there is no pellet continue centrifugation for an additional 3 minutes. Do not use the brake to stop the centrifuge.
6. Remove the supernatant down to the pellet.
7. Using a syringe, add 2-3 mL of Enhance Sperm Wash Medium or appropriate medium and re-suspend the pellet.
8. Centrifuge for 8 to 10 minutes at 300g. Higher sperm concentrations will require the maximum 10 minutes centrifugation to ensure a complete and thorough sperm wash.
9. Remove supernatant down to the pellet (Repeat steps 7 and 8 if an additional wash is desired).
10. Remove supernatant and replace with a suitable volume of Enhance Sperm Wash Medium or appropriate medium.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE WITH FRESH SEMEN SAMPLES USING ENHANCE-S PLUS 90% LAYER ONLY

1. Bring all components of the system and samples to room temperature or to 37°C.
2. Transfer 5.0mL of Enhance-S Plus lower layer (90%) into a sterile disposable centrifuge tube.

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3. Gently place up to 2.5mL of liquefied semen onto the upper layer with a transfer pipette or syringe.
4. Centrifuge for 15 to 18 minutes at 350g to 400g. When this centrifugation is complete you may not be able to visibly see a pellet. If there is no pellet continue centrifugation for an additional 3 minutes. Do not use the brake to stop the centrifuge.
5. Remove the supernatant down to the pellet.
6. Using a syringe, add 2-3 mL of Enhance Sperm Wash Medium or appropriate medium and re-suspend the pellet.
7. Centrifuge for 8 to 10 minutes at 300g. Higher sperm concentrations will require the maximum 10 minutes centrifugation to ensure a complete and thorough sperm wash.
8. Remove supernatant down to the pellet (Repeat steps 7 and 8 if an additional wash is desired).
9. Remove supernatant and replace with a suitable volume of Enhance Sperm Wash Medium or appropriate medium.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR USE WITH FROZEN SEMEN SAMPLES

1. Bring all components of the system and samples to room temperature or to 37°C.
2. Transfer 1.0mL of Enhance-S Plus upper layer (45%) into a sterile disposable centrifuge tube.
3. Using a 3cc syringe with a 1 1/2" 21 gauge needle, place 1.0mL of Enhance-S Plus lower layer (90%) under the upper layer. Take care that the two layers are distinctly separated. This is done by placing the tip of the needle on the bottom of the test tube and slowly dispensing the Enhance-S Plus lower layer (90%). This two-layer gradient is stable for up to two hours.
4. Gently place 0.5mL of the thawed semen sample onto the upper layer using a pipette or syringe.
5. Centrifuge for 20 minutes at 350g.
6. Remove the supernatant down to no less than the 0.5mL mark above the pellet.
7. Using a syringe, add 2-3 mL of Enhance Sperm Wash Medium or appropriate medium and re-suspend the pellet.
8. Centrifuge for 8 to 10 minutes at 300g.
9. Remove supernatant down to the pellet (Repeat steps 7 and 8 if an additional wash is desired).
10. Remove supernatant and replace with a suitable volume of Enhance Sperm Wash Medium or appropriate medium.

If samples do not liquefy and do not pass through the layers, increase the centrifugal force up to, but no more than 500g to help separate the sperm. In-house modification of this procedure may be necessary to optimize semen preparation results.

PRECAUTIONS AND WARNINGS

CAUTION: Federal Law restricts this device to sale by or on the order of a physician (or properly licensed practitioner). For external use only; not for injection. Do not use any bottle of medium showing evidence of particulate matter or contamination. To avoid problems with contamination, practice sterile transfer technique and discard minimal amounts of excess medium remaining in the bottle.

STORAGE INSTRUCTIONS AND STABILITY

Store products between 2-25 °C. Once opened:

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- The products can be used up to 7 days after opening when sterile conditions are maintained, and the products are stored at 2-8 °C.
- Keep away from (sun) light.
- The products are stable after transport (max. 5 days) at elevated temperatures (≤ 37 °C).
- The devices need to be disposed in accordance with local regulations for disposal of medical devices.

PRODUCT SPECIFICATIONS

A complete Certificate of Analysis is provided with every lot of Enhance-S Plus Cell Isolation Medium.

RELATED PRODUCTS

Vitrolife has a full line of products for the Reproductive Medical Specialist. For more information or technical support please visit our website at www.vitrolife.com or contact Customer Service at (866) 848-7687. Email contact and information at order.us@vitrolife.com.

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