

# ExoComplete<sup>TM</sup> Strip 800

*For fast and easy extracellular vesicle derived poly(A)<sup>+</sup>  
RNA isolation*

## INSTRUCTION MANUAL

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## Intended Use

ExoComplete™ System is intended for research use of molecular biology applications. This product is neither intended for the diagnosis, prevention, or treatment of a disease, nor has it been validated for such use either alone or in combination with other products.

## Product Description and Principle

ExoComplete™ System can isolate extracellular vesicle (EV)-derived poly(A)<sup>+</sup> RNA including messenger RNA (mRNA) in a microplate format by a simple and seamless procedure. Up to 96 samples can be easily processed at once.

EV from body fluids such as plasma, serum and urine can be captured by EV Capture device with a proprietary filter material. Depending on the sample volume and quantity, 3 types of devices are available: 1) EV Capture 8-well Strip for small volumes and small number of samples, 2) EV Capture 96-well Plate for small volumes and large number of samples, and 3) EV Capture Tube for large volumes of samples.

High EV affinity and porosity of the filter material allow high yield and reproducible isolation of EVs without the use of conventional ultracentrifugation. Undesirable substances larger than EV such as cells, cell debris and apoptotic bodies can be removed by centrifugation before applying to the EV Capture device.

The isolated EVs can be lysed directly on the EV Capture device by adding a lysis buffer. Guanidine thiocyanate and other components in the lysis buffer immediately and effectively inactivate ribonucleases to ensure isolation of intact RNA.

After transferring the EV lysates to the mRNA Capture Plate or mRNA Capture 8-well Strip, poly(A)<sup>+</sup> RNA is isolated through hybridization with single stranded oligo(dT) immobilized on the surface of the wells. The advantage of this method over conventional magnetic beads and spin column methods is better sample-to-sample reproducibility and ease of handling.

Once poly(A)<sup>+</sup> RNA is hybridized onto the mRNA Capture Plate or mRNA Capture 8-well Strip, a wide variety of downstream applications become available including:

- Real time quantitative RT-PCR (qPCR)
- Next-generation sequencing (NGS)
- Single- and double-stranded cDNA synthesis

## Key Benefits

### Easy to use

- Seamless process from EVs to mRNA isolation
- Minimal liquid transfer, fewer centrifugation steps
- Less hands-on time

### High throughput

- Up to 96 samples can be processed at once

### Excellent reproducibility

- Outstanding intra- and inter-assay precision

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## Kit Contents

<b>ExoComplete™ Strip 800</b> Number of samples	<b>Part No. 88013</b> 24
EV Capture 8-well Strip (800µL/well)	3 X 8 well
mRNA Capture 8-well Strip	3 X 8 well
Lysis Buffer A	1 X 2 mL
Lysis Buffer B (Lyophilized)	1 x 60 µL
Lysis Buffer C	1x 120 µL
DNase RNase Free Water	1 x 300 µL
Wash Buffer A	1 x 35 mL
Wash Buffer B	1 x 65 mL
Sample Treatment Buffer	1 x 20 mL
Deep Well Plate	1
Aluminum seal	3

After mRNA isolation, cDNA can be synthesized directly in the well, using **Reverse Transcription Reagent (Part No 88017)**, which was optimized especially for the mRNA Capture Plate and the mRNA Capture Strip.

<b>Reverse Transcription Reagent</b> Number of samples (30µL/reaction)	<b>Part No. 88017</b> 48
RT Buffer A	1 x 1,700 µL
RT Enzyme Mix B	1X 30 µL

## Kit Storage

The ExoComplete™ products are shipped at ambient temperature.

Store all components at 0°C -30°C.

**Prior to experiment, store Wash Buffer A and Wash Buffer B at 0°C-10°C.**

If there is crystallization in the Lysis Buffer A and Wash Buffer A, warm up at 37°C until crystallization is dissolved, then store at 0°C -10°C.

Reverse Transcription Reagent is shipped with dry ice. Store at -20°C ± 5°C.

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## Equipment and Supplies Not Included in the Kit:

### Supplies

- Ice pan or bucket
- Microcentrifuge tubes or centrifuge tubes
- 8-channel aspirator (recommended)
- 8-channel pipettor (recommended)
- Reservoirs for 8-channel pipettor (recommended)

### Equipment

- Incubator (37°C)
- Centrifuge with microplate holders
- Vortexer
- Vacuum pump or vacuum line and dessicator (recommended)

## Important Notes Before Use:

- First-time users should read through the entire manual prior to commencing an experiment.
- Do not allow mRNA Capture Plate or mRNA Capture 8-well Strip to sit for prolonged periods in between steps. Once the protocol has been initiated, proceed continuously to completion.
- The use of gloves and good laboratory technique are recommended to prevent RNase contamination causing RNA degradation.

## Safety Information

- Wear protective clothing, goggles and gloves when handling chemicals. For further information, please consult the appropriate safety data sheets (SDSs).
- Lysis Buffer A and Wash Buffer A contain guanidine thiocyanate, a known hazardous chemical that causes skin irritation.

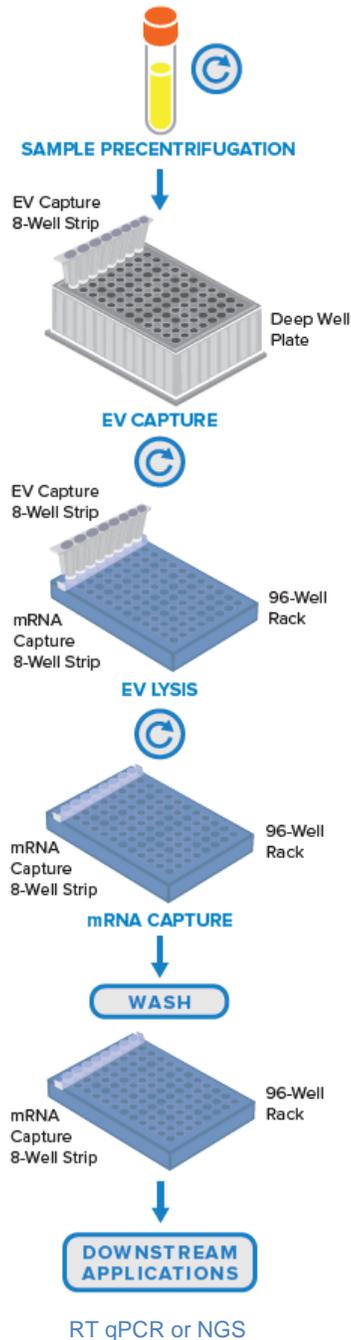


- **CAUTION: DO NOT** add bleach or acidic solution directly to sample-preparation waste. Lysis Buffer A and Wash Buffer A contain guanidine thiocyanate, which can form highly reactive compounds when combined with bleach. If liquid containing these buffers is spilled, clean with a suitable laboratory detergent and water. If the spilled liquid contains potentially infectious agents, clean the affected area first with laboratory detergent and water, and then with 1 % (v/v) sodium hypochlorite.

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## Protocol Overview

### ExoComplete™ Strip 800



#### STEP 1.

Centrifuge plasma sample at 3,500 xg for 15 min.  
Transfer supernatant to a new tube and add 1/3 volume of Sample Treatment Buffer.

#### STEP 2.

Add Sample Mixture to EV Capture 8-well Strip.  
Centrifuge strip at 2,500 xg for 5 min.

#### STEP 3.

Add Lysis Buffer.  
Incubate at 37°C for 10 min.  
Centrifuge at 2,500 xg for 5 min.

#### STEP 4.

Incubate at 4°C overnight.

#### STEP 5.

Wash with Wash Buffer A, then Wash Buffer B on ice.

#### STEP 6.

Add reverse transcription solution.\*  
Incubate at 37°C for 2 hrs.  
OR  
Elute mRNA  
Incubate at 65°C for 5 min.

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## Protocol

### Prior to Experiment

1. If Lysis Buffer A and/or Wash Buffer A have crystallization, warm up at 37°C to dissolve. It should then be stored at 4°C.
2. Keep Wash Buffer A and Wash Buffer B at 4°C prior to use.

### Experimental Procedure

#### Step 1

1. Centrifuge sample to remove cells and cellular debris.  
*Note: We recommend the following centrifugation conditions. These conditions may be modified.*  
  
Plasma: centrifuge at 3,500 xg for 15 min at 4°C  
Urine: centrifuge at 800 xg for 15 min at 4°C
2. Transfer supernatants to a microcentrifuge tube and add 1/3 volume of Sample Treatment Buffer. For example, if plasma sample (supernatant) is 600 µL, add 200 µL of Sample Treatment Buffer. Mix well by briefly vortexing.
3. Place the EV Capture 8-well Strip on the top of the Deep Well Plate.

#### Step 2

4. Transfer up to 800 µL of the sample and Sample Treatment Buffer mixture to the EV Capture 8-well Strip.
5. Cover the top of the strips with the Aluminum seal to avoid any contamination.
6. Centrifuge at 2,500 xg for 5 min at 4°C.  
*Note: If sample volume is more than the capacity of the well, repeat steps 4 - 6.*
7. Reconstitute Lysis Buffer B (lyophilized) by adding 60 µL of DNase RNase free water.

*Note: Reconstituted Lysis Buffer B can be stored at -20°C. Do not repeat freeze – thaw cycles.*

#### Step 3

8. Prepare working lysis buffer at the ratio as described below.

*Note: The working lysis buffer volume corresponds to the number of wells. Do not alter the ratio of each buffer. Each well requires 60 µL of working lysis buffer. Make enough solution with at least approximately 10-20% more. The buffer should be prepared fresh for each new procedure.*

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working lysis buffer	per well
Lysis Buffer A	55.5 $\mu$ L
Lysis Buffer B	1.5 $\mu$ L
Lysis Buffer C	3.0 $\mu$ L
Total volume	60 $\mu$ L/well

9. Remove the mRNA Capture Strip from the storage pouch and place on the 96-well Rack. Mark the wells to be used.
10. Place the EV Capture 8-well Strip on top of the mRNA Capture Strip.
11. Add 60  $\mu$ L of the working lysis buffer to the respective wells of the EV Capture 8-well Strip and place the Aluminum seal on top of the strip.
12. Incubate at 37°C for 10 min.
13. Centrifuge at 2,500 xg for 5 min at 4°C.

## Step 4

14. Discard EV Capture 8-well Strip and place the Aluminum seal on top of the mRNA Capture 8-well Strip.
15. Incubate the mRNA Capture 8-well Strip at 2-8°C overnight (>16 hours).

*Note: Overnight incubation is recommended to ensure capturing low abundant genes that take longer hybridization.*

*Note: Do not reuse EV Capture 8-well Strip and mRNA Capture 8-well Strip*

## Step 5

16. Fill pan or a bucket with ice.
17. Place the mRNA Capture 8-well Strip (with Rack) and reservoirs for Wash Buffers on ice.
18. Take out Wash Buffer A and Wash Buffer B from the refrigerator and pour into the reservoir on ice (the volumes of Wash Buffers are dependent on the number of sample wells).

*Note: Keep the strips and wash buffers **ICE COLD**.*

19. Aspirate lysates in the mRNA Capture 8-well Strip.
20. Dispense 100  $\mu$ L of Wash Buffer A into each well and aspirate. Repeat two more times (total of 3 times).
21. Dispense 150  $\mu$ L of Wash Buffer B into each well, cover with the lid and incubate 3 min then aspirate. Repeat two more times (total of 3 times).

22. Take out the mRNA Capture 8-well Strip from ice pan. Remove any remaining liquid in the wells.

*Note: It is highly recommended to tap strips face down several times on lint-free cloth followed by vacuum drying in the vacuum desiccator for 10 min.*

## Step 6

23. The mRNA hybridized to the strip can be used directly as a template for cDNA synthesis or eluted as mRNA for downstream applications such as NGS.
  - a. For cDNA synthesis:
    - 1) Directly add reverse transcription solution (Reverse Transcription Reagent, Part No 88017, or other desired solution) to well and follow manufacturer's protocol.
  - b. For mRNA elution:
    - 1) Add 60  $\mu$ L of DNase and RNase free water and cover wells tightly with clear or aluminum seal.
    - 2) Incubate at 65°C for 5 min, then cool to 4°C for 5 min.
    - 3) Centrifuge at 1500 xg for 1 min at 4°C.
    - 4) Transfer eluted mRNA to microfuge tube and store at -80°C or proceed to downstream application.

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## Literature Citation

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