

QIAAsymphony SP Protocol Sheet

VirusBlood200_V5_DSP protocol

General information

For in vitro diagnostic use.

This protocol is for purification of viral DNA from fresh human whole blood using the QIAAsymphony® SP and the QIAAsymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit. Viral DNA from released viruses as well as from cell-associated viruses is copurified with genomic DNA from blood cells.

Kit	QIAAsymphony DSP DNA Mini Kit (cat. no. 937236)
Sample material	Human whole blood (EDTA or citrate anti-coagulated)
Protocol name	VirusBlood200_V5_DSP
Default Assay Control Set	ACS_VirusBlood200_V5_DSP_default IC
Editable	Elution volume: 60 μ l, 85 μ l, 110 μ l, 165 μ l
Required software version	Version 4.0

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“Sample” drawer

Sample type	Human whole blood (EDTA or citrate anti-coagulated)
Sample volume	Depends on type of sample tube used; for more information see www.qiagen.com/goto/dsphandbooks .
Primary sample tubes	For more information see www.qiagen.com/goto/dsphandbooks .
Secondary sample tubes	For more information see www.qiagen.com/goto/dsphandbooks .
Inserts	Depends on type of sample tube used; for more information see www.qiagen.com/goto/dsphandbooks .
Other	Internal control–Buffer ATE mix required; use of internal control is optional

“Reagents and Consumables” drawer

Position A1 and/or A2	Reagent cartridge
Position B1	n/a
Tip rack holder 1–17	Disposable filter-tips, 200 μ l or 1500 μ l
Unit box holder 1–4	Unit boxes containing sample prep cartridges or 8-Rod Covers

n/a = not applicable.

“Waste” drawer

Unit box holder 1–4	Empty unit boxes
Waste bag holder	Waste bag
Liquid waste bottle holder	Empty liquid waste bottle

“Eluate” drawer

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

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Required plasticware

	One batch, 24 samples*	Two batches, 48 samples*	Three batches, 72 samples*	Four batches, 96 samples*
Disposable filter-tips, 200 μ l ^{††}	26	50	74	98
Disposable filter-tips, 1500 μ l ^{††}	98	188	278	368
Sample prep cartridges [§]	21	42	63	84
8-Rod Covers [¶]	3	6	9	12

* Use of more than one internal control per batch and performing more than one inventory scan requires additional disposable filter tips. 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 reagent cartridge.

§ 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.

Selected elution volume

Selected elution volume (μl)*	Initial elution volume (μl)†
60	90
85	115
110	140
165	195

* The elution volume selected in the touchscreen. This is the minimum accessible volume of eluate in the final elution tube.

† The initial volume of elution solution required to ensure that the actual volume of eluate is the same as the selected volume.

Preparation of internal control–Buffer ATE mixture

Using the VirusBlood200_V5_DSP protocol in combination with amplification systems that use an internal control may require introduction of these internal controls into the purification procedure to monitor the efficiency of sample preparation and downstream assay.

The amount of internal control that is added depends on the assay system and the elution volume chosen within the VirusBlood200_V5_DSP protocol. Calculation and validation must be performed by the user. Refer to the manufacturer’s instructions for the downstream assay to determine the optimal concentration of internal control.

Internal controls must be added with the internal control–Buffer ATE (ATE) mixture in a total volume of 60 μl . A mixture of internal controls can be used to analyze different parameters from a single eluate. Compatibility of different internal controls must be validated by the user. We recommend preparing fresh mixtures for each run just before use. If no internal control is used, the use of Buffer ATE is still required.

Selected elution volume (μl)	Initial elution volume (μl)	Volume internal control (μl)*	Volume Buffer ATE (ATE) (μl)	Final volume per sample (μl)
60	90	9	51	60
85	115	11.5	48.5	60
110	140	14	46	60
165	195	19.5	40.5	60

* The calculation of the amount of internal control is based on the initial elution volumes. Additional void volume depends on the type of sample tube used; see www.qiagen.com/goto/dsphandbooks for more information.

Note: The values displayed in the table are for preparation of internal control–Buffer ATE mixture for a downstream assay that requires 0.1 μl internal control/ μl eluate.

Tubes containing internal control–Buffer ATE mixtures are placed in a tube carrier. The tube carrier containing the internal control–Buffer ATE mixture(s) must be placed in slot A of the “Sample” drawer.

Depending on the number of samples to be processed, we recommend using 2 ml tubes (Sarstedt®, cat. nos. 72.693 and 72.694) or 14 ml 17 x 100 mm polystyrene, round-bottom tubes (Becton Dickinson (BD™), cat. no. 352051) for diluting the internal control, as described in the table below. It is possible to split the volume into 2 or more tubes

Calculating the volume of internal control mixture

Tube type [‡]	Name on QIAasympy touchscreen	Calculation of internal control mixture volume per tube
2 ml with cap; microtube 2 ml, PP, SKIRTED, (Sarstedt, cat. no. 72.694)	SAR#72.694 T2.0 ScrewSkirt	$(n \times 60 \mu\text{l}) + 360 \mu\text{l}^*$
Microtube 2 ml with cap; microtube 2 ml, PP, NON-SKIRTED, (Sarstedt, cat. no. 72.693)	SAR#72.693 T2.0 Screw	$(n \times 60 \mu\text{l}) + 360 \mu\text{l}^*$
Tube 14 ml, 17 x 100 mm polystyrene round-bottom (Becton Dickinson, cat. no. 352051)	BD#352051 FalconPP 17x100	$(n \times 60 \mu\text{l}) + 600 \mu\text{l}^\dagger$

* Use this equation to calculate the required volume of internal control mixture (n = number of samples; $60 \mu\text{l}$ = volume of internal control–Buffer ATE mixture; $360 \mu\text{l}$ = void volume required per tube). For example, for 12 samples ($n = 12$): $(12 \times 60 \mu\text{l}) + 360 \mu\text{l} = 1080 \mu\text{l}$. Do not fill the tube with more than 1.92 ml (i.e., a maximum of 26 samples per tube). If more than 26 samples will be processed, use additional tubes, ensuring that the void volume is added per tube.

† Use this equation to calculate the required volume of internal control–Buffer ATE mixture (n = number of samples; $60 \mu\text{l}$ = volume of internal control–Buffer ATE mixture; $600 \mu\text{l}$ = void volume required per tube). For example, for 96 samples ($n = 96$): $(96 \times 60 \mu\text{l}) + 600 \mu\text{l} = 6360 \mu\text{l}$.

‡ See www.qiagen.com/goto/dsphandbooks for required inserts.

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.

Human whole blood

For isolation of viral DNA, we recommend using whole blood samples treated with EDTA or citrate. Samples should be processed within 24 hours of collection. Store or transport samples at 2–25°C. For longer storage, we recommend freezing aliquots at –20°C or –80°C.

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 QIAasympy SP. 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.

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