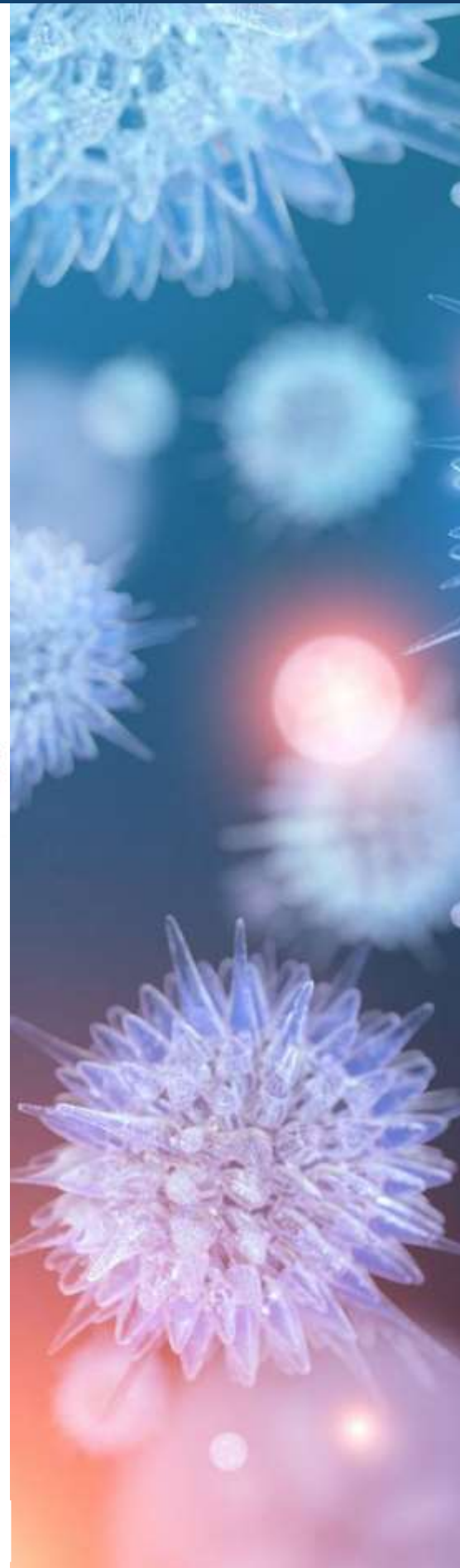
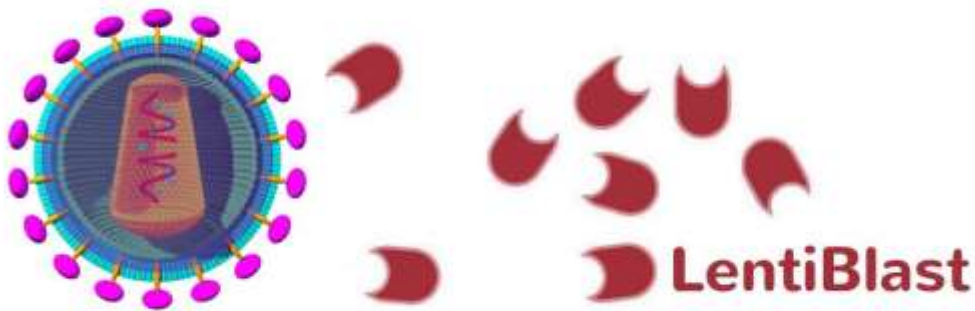


INSTRUCTION MANUAL

Lentivirus Transduction Enhancer



LentiBlast

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LentiBlast is the ideal Lentiviral Transduction Enhancer.

List of LentiBlast kits

Catalog Number	Description	Volume (μ L)	Number of transduction in a 24-well plate
LB00500	LentiBlast 100 transductions	500 μ L – solution A 500 μ L – solution B	100
LB01500	LentiBlast 300 transductions	1500 μ L – solution A 1500 μ L – solution B	300

Use the content of the table above to determine the appropriate catalog number for your needs. You can order these products by contacting us (order@ozbiosciences.com). For all other supplementary information, do not hesitate to contact our dedicated technical support (tech@ozbiosciences.com).

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1. Technology

1.1. Description

LentiBlast is the ideal reagent developed to enhance lentiviral infection and transduction in any type of cells, adherent or in suspension, primary or cell lines. Its patent-protected chemical composition allows simultaneously neutralizing electrostatic repulsions between membrane and viral particles and enhancing viral fusion with cell membrane. Due to a favorable "membrane permeable effect" limiting the transmembrane potential changes, **LentiBlast** is non-toxic.

NOTE: LentiBlast can also be used with other enhancers and for sequential transductions.

LentiBlast benefits:

- Enhances infection and transduction efficiency of lentivirus
- Non-toxic
- Compatible with cell lines and primary cells
- Allows using reduced amounts of Lentivirus (low MOI)
- Composed of two reagents for a higher compatibility and efficiency

1.2. Kit Contents, Stability and Storage

Contents

Kits content varies according to their size:

LentiBlast 100 transductions:

- 1 tube containing 500 µL of LentiBlast reagent A good for up to 100 transductions in a 24-well plate.
- 1 tube containing 500 µL of LentiBlast reagent B good for up to 100 transductions in a 24-well plate.

LentiBlast 300 transductions:

- 1 tube containing 1500 µL of LentiBlast reagent A good for up to 300 transductions in a 24-well plate.
- 1 tube containing 1500 µL of LentiBlast reagent B good for up to 300 transductions in a 24-well plate.

Storage and Shipping

Storage: Upon reception and for long-term use, store the LentiBlast transfection reagent at -20°C.

Shipping condition: Room Temperature

2. Applications

LentiBlast has been specifically developed for enhancing lentiviral transduction in any type of cell, adherent or in suspension, primary or cell lines. **LentiBlast** is composed of two reagents **-A** and **-B** to offer the best combination for a specific transduction, and in order to get highest transduction efficiency as well as lowest toxic effect.

3. General Protocol

3.1. General Information / Important Guidelines

The **LentiBlast** is composed of two reagents: **LentiBlast -A** and **-B**. The best combination of these two solutions has to be found in a first step to get the best efficiency/viability ratio. We recommend beginning with two concentrations of each solution: **1:1000** and **1:100**.

Do not change the transduction conditions already settled: simply add the LentiBlast to your already established protocol. If transduction conditions are unknown, we recommend beginning with a MOI of 2.

In case of low efficiency using the standard protocol, transduction efficiency can be raised:

- by centrifugation. However this procedure is not recommended because in some cases it can lower the viability. Please refer to centrifugation protocol (paragraph 3.5) for more details.
- by optimization. Variations in MOI, volumes of LentiBlast –A and –B can lead to higher transduction efficiency.

3.2. Cells Preparation

Cell culture prior to transduction: the day before transduction prepare the cells according to the table below.

Effects of lentiviral transduction are generally observed after 48 to 96 h. Cells should be 20-50 % confluent at the time of transduction (see the suggested cell number in the Table 1).

Table 1: Cell number suggested for lentiviral transduction (per well).

Tissue Culture Dish format	Surface area per well ¹	Cell Number
96 wells	0.3 cm ²	3 – 8 x 1.10 ³
24 wells	2 cm ²	2 – 4 x 1.10 ⁴
6 wells	10 cm ²	1 – 2 x 1.10 ⁵

¹ Surfaces area may vary depending on the manufacturer.

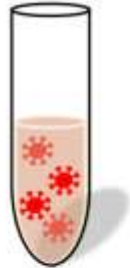
Note: For hard-to-transduce or non-permissive cells, prepare the cells the day of transduction and then refer to §3.4 (Centrifugation Protocol)

3.3. Standard Protocol

Use the following protocol to find the ideal conditions for LentiBlast in 24-well plate. If the lentiviral transduction/infection conditions are unknown, we recommend starting with a MOI of 2 using a lentiviral vector encoding for a fluorescent protein.

Note: We suggest to use **0.5 and 5 μL of LentiBlast -A and -B per conditions.**

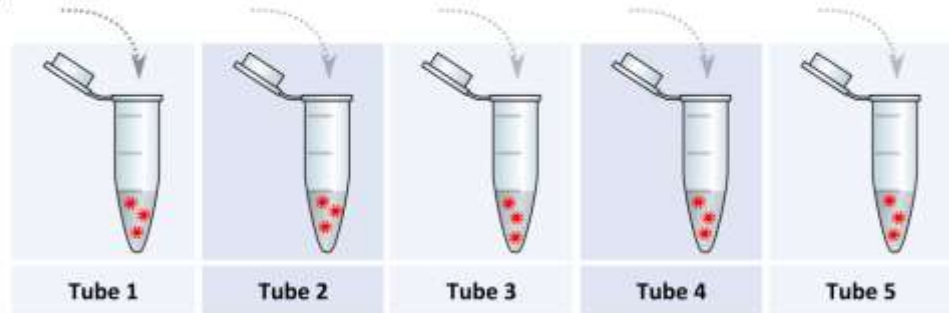
1. VIRUS PREPARATION



Dilute virus into complete culture medium sufficient for 5 samples.

MOI 2 is recommended in case of unknown lentiviral transduction conditions.

2. DISPATCH EQUAL VOLUME OF VIRAL SUSPENSION INTO 5 TUBES



3. ADD LENTIBLAST -A & -B TO EACH TUBE

	Tube 1	Tube 2	Tube 3	Tube 4	Tube 5
LentiBlast -A	-	5 μL	5 μL	0.5 μL	0.5 μL
LentiBlast -B	-	5 μL	0.5 μL	5 μL	0.5 μL

4. MIX VIALS BY INVERTING

Do not vortex or centrifuge

5. ASPIRATE MEDIUM FROM CELLS

6. ADD VIRUS +/- LENTIBLAST -A/-B

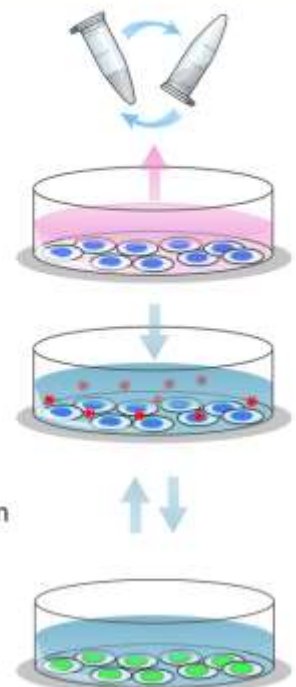
Incubate the cells 24 h under standard culture conditions

7. CHANGE MEDIUM

Remove medium from the cells and add pre-warmed culture medium

8. INCUBATE CELLS 24 TO 96 h.

Incubate the cells under standard culture conditions
We recommend performing assay from 24 to 96 h.



3.4. Centrifugation Protocol

For hard-to-transduced cells, it is recommended to add a centrifugation step to the standard protocol. Cells are prepared the day of transduction, counted, pelleted and suspended in Lentivirus/LentiBlast mixes.

Note: Centrifugation may influence cell viability.

- 1) Detach cells and seed them into 5 wells. Refer to Table 1 for suggested cell density.
- 2) Follow steps 1 to 4 of the standard protocol and add lentivirus/lentiBlast mixes to cells.
- 3) Centrifuge the plate 900 rpm for 90 min
- 4) Incubate cells overnight and proceed to steps 7 and 8 of the standard protocol.

3.5. Optimization

To find the ideal transduction conditions using LentiBlast, we recommend optimizing volumes of LentiBlast – A and –B using a MOI of 2 and 10.

Table 3: Recommend amounts of LentiBlast for optimization procedure.

	MOI	LentiBlast Solution		Example 24-well (500µL)	
		LentiBlast –A	LentiBlast –B	LentiBlast –A	LentiBlast –B
#1	2	1:100	1:100	5 µL	5 µL
#2	2	1:100	-	5 µL	-
#3	2	-	1:100	-	5 µL
#4	2	1:1000	1:1000	0.5 µL	0.5 µL
#5	2	1:1000	-	0.5 µL	-
#6	2	-	1:1000	-	0.5 µL
#7	2	1:100	1:1000	5 µL	0.5 µL
#8	2	1:1000	1:100	0.5 µL	5 µL
#9	10	1:100	1:100	5 µL	5 µL
#10	10	1:100	-	5 µL	-
#11	10	-	1:100	-	5 µL
#12	10	1:1000	1:1000	0.5 µL	0.5 µL
#13	10	1:1000	-	0.5 µL	-
#14	10	-	1:1000	-	0.5 µL
#15	10	1:100	1:1000	5 µL	0.5 µL
#16	10	1:1000	1:100	0.5 µL	5 µL
#17	10	-	-	-	-

4. Appendix

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4.1 Quality Controls

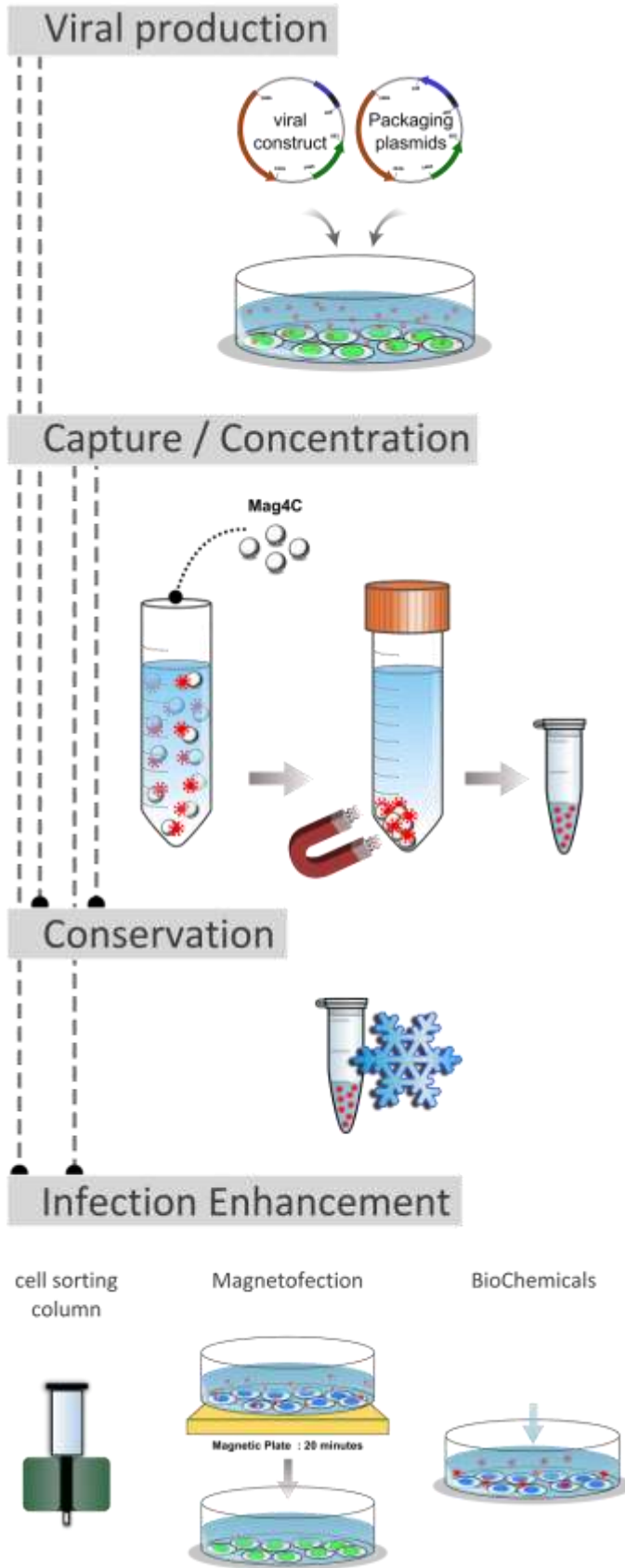
To assure the performance of each lot of LentiBlast reagent produced, we qualify each component using rigorous standards. The following *in vitro* assays are conducted to qualify the function, quality and activity of each component.

Specification	Standard Quality Controls
<i>Sterility</i>	Thioglycolate assay. Absence of contamination shall be obtained for 15 days.
<i>Biological Activity</i>	Transduction efficiency on NIH-3T3 cells. Every lot shall have an acceptance specification of > 90% of the activity of the reference lot.

4.2. Troubleshooting

Problems	Comments and Suggestions
Low transduction efficiency	<p>1- MOI used is low. Raise the lentiviral particles amount: Up to MOI 100 can be used.</p> <p>2- Infectious viral titer is low. Check viral titer via transduction of HEK-293 cells with serial dilutions of lentivirus.</p> <p>3- Cells are difficult to transduce. Use the centrifugation protocol (refer to paragraph 3.4).</p> <p>4- No effect of LentiBlast is observed. Concentrations of LentiBlast is too low or ratios of each solution –A and –B are not optimized (refer to paragraph 3.5).</p>
Low viability	<p>1- MOI is too high. Lower the lentiviral dose</p> <p>2- LentiBlast concentration is too high. Decrease concentration of LentiBlast –A or –B, refer to table 3.</p> <p>3- Cells are sensitive to lentiviral treatment. Perform a medium change after 4 to 6 h or directly after the centrifugation process.</p>

5. Related Products



Calcium Phosphate
transfection Kit

DreamFect Gold

high transfection efficiency
high compaction level
biodegradable

Mag4C Kits
Mag4C-Lv
Mag4C-Ad

concentrate virus
raise viral dose
isolate virus from inhibitor
conserve the viral particles

Mag4C
conservation buffer

Adenoviral particles
Retro/lentiviral particles

i-MICST: ViroMICST

Magnetic

ViroMag
ViroMag R/L
AdenoMag

viral concentration onto
the cell surface
raise transduction efficiency
synchronize infection

BioChemicals

LentiBlast
AdenoBlast

Enhance transduction
non toxic
Low MOI

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