

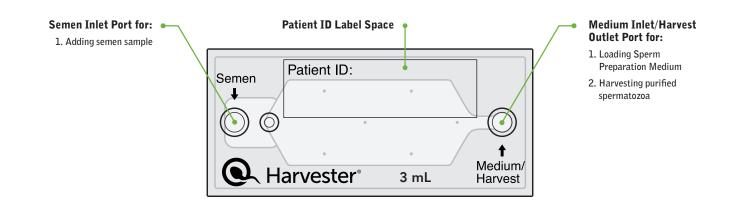
# Instructions for Use 3 mL Sperm Purification Device

### **Device Components:**

- SwimCount<sup>™</sup> Harvester 3 mL Sperm Purification Device
- Instructions for Use
- Accessories: 1 x 3 mL Syringe and 2 x 1 mL Syringes

### Equipment required, but not supplied:

- Sperm Preparation Medium
- 37°C or 98.6°F incubator





# Important Information

### Please read detailed Instuctions before use:

- Carefully adhere to the recommended volumes for each step
- Avoid both over- and/or underfilling of the device
- If spillage of sample occurs (resulting in less than a 3 mL sample) empty out the remaining sample in the collection, and start over filling the syringe with sample.
- Always load and aspirate the SwimCount<sup>™</sup> Harvester device placed on a horizontal surface
- When moving the device to/from the incubator then keep the device on a horizontal surface
- The device is for single-use, only
- The SwimCount<sup>™</sup> Harvester comes sterile and a possible contamination from e.g. the work environment might decrease the efficiency of the SwimCount<sup>™</sup> Harvester
- Practice universal precautions when handling human body fluids such as semen. Follow the guide lines described in the WHO laboratory manual for the examination and processing of human semen
- The device should be used only by properly trained operators
- Re-use of the device may lead to:

   less efficient purification of the sample
   contamination (e.g. two different semen samples)

# Preparing the semen sample

Make sure that the semen sample is liquefied.

Gather all the equipment needed and work on a clean surface.



# 2 Aspirating the semen sample

Before aspirating the semen sample, it must be homogeneous.

Aspirate 3 mL of the semen sample using the 3 mL syringe. Avoid any airbubles.

If there is insuffient semen sample volume then add Sperm Preparation Medium\* to bring the volume to 3 mL.

NOTE: If using a frozen semen sample then follow the instructions from the Sperm Bank for thawing.

\* Preparation of the Medium as informed by the manufacturers of the sperm preparation medium

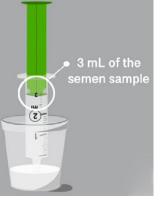
# 3 Inject the sample into the device

Place the 3 mL syringe filled with the semen sample into the Semen Inlet port.

Press the plunger of the syringe slowly and release the semen sample into the device.

NOTE: Always handle the device on a flat horizontal surface (table).

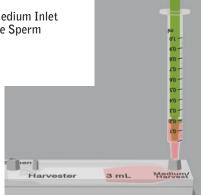




## Add the Sperm Preparation Medium

Use another 1 mL syringe and aspirate 0.8 mL Sperm Preparation Medium. Avoid any airbubles.

Place the syringe in the Medium Inlet Port and release slowly the Sperm Preparation Medium.



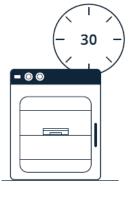


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## Incubation

Incubate the device for 30 Min at  $37^{\circ}$ C or  $98.6^{\circ}$ F.

Keep the device horizontally at all times.

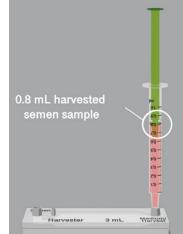


# 6 Harvest

Remove the device from the Incubator.

Use another 1 mL syringe and place it in the Harvest Outlet Port and aspirate 0.8 mL of the purified semen sample.\*

\*NOTE: Appr. 90-95% of the purified semen sample can be aspirated. Do not tilt the device in order to get the remaining 5-10% out.





### The harvested sample is ready to be used

The harvested Progressive Motile Sperm Cells (PMSCs) are ready to be used.



#### **Device Description:**

The SwimCount<sup>™</sup> Harvester is a Sperm Purification Device. The device purifies the sperm sample by allowing only Progressive Motile Sperm Cells (PMSCs) to pass the device's membrane system. The SwimCount<sup>™</sup> Harvester has a design/ technology that utilizes the progressive motility of the sperm cells to separate the PMSCs from the rest of the sperm population.

- The device consists of 3 components:
- Sample compartment 3 mL
- Medium/Swim-Up compartment 0.8 mL
- Micropore filter 10 µm.

The device is used for Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART).

### Intended Purpose:

The intended purpose of the SwimCount<sup>™</sup> Harvester is to purify semen samples and select for Progressive Motile Sperm Cells (PMSCs), and thereby be used in support of conception as part of Assisted Reproductive Technology (ART).

### Sterilization:

The sterilization method used for the device is gamma radiation, at a dose level of 25kGy to 39kGy.

The device is radiation-sterilized with a sterility assurance level (SAL) of  $10^{6}$ . It is individually packaged and for single-use only.

#### Storage:

Store at 6°C - 37°C (42.8°F - 98.6°F).

### Disposal:

Discard the used device and materials as medical waste.

#### Manufactured by:

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If you have any questions, please contact us at: info@swimcount.com In case any serious incident has occurred in relation to the device, it shall be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the Member State.



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