

WHO Prequalification of In Vitro Diagnostics PUBLIC REPORT

Product: CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit

WHO reference number: PQDx 0350-081-00

CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit with product codes **CY-S-3023, 05-8401, and 05-8405**, manufactured by **Sysmex Partec GmbH, CE-marked regulatory version**, was accepted for the WHO list of prequalified in vitro diagnostics and was listed on 8 August 2018.

Summary of WHO prequalification assessment for CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit

	Date	Outcome
Prequalification listing	8 August 2018	listed
Dossier assessment	24 May 2018	MR
Site inspection(s) of the quality management system	11 July 2018	MR
Product performance evaluation	October 2017 to February 2018	MR

MR: Meets Requirements

Report amendments and product changes

This public report has since been amended. Amendments may have arisen because of changes to the prequalified product for which WHO has been notified and has undertaken a review. Amendments to the report are summarised in the following table, and details of each amendment are provided below.

Version	Summary of amendment	Date of report amendment
2.0	Change of labelling in the safety data sheet, label and IFU for 04-4012 Hypochlorite Solution due to added H + P statement and signal word in the safety data sheet of the manufacturer of the raw material; as a consequence of adjustments to regulation on handling substances hazardous to waters (part of CLP Regulation (EC) 1272/2008)	16 October 2019
3.0	Change of storage temperature of the Sheath Fluid (Ref. No. 04-4007) from 2-25 °C to 18-30 °C. Sheath Fluid is an accessory	19 December 2019

	<p>solution for flow cytometers operated in laboratories at room temperature and does not need to be kept refrigerated. In-use and shelf life stability were tested within the temperature range of 18-30 °C. Consequently, a change of labelling material was required.</p> <p>Change in type and material of buffer bottle caps in CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit due to leakage and insufficient practicability (Corrective action CA-18005). The change involved three steps:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Change in Product Immediate container - new closure cap for buffer components 2. Change of manual capping procedure for Machine-controlled capping using an automated production line. 3. Automated production line performs filling and capping. 	
4.0	<p>Fulfilment and closure of commitment for prequalification to further invest in a continued root cause analysis of the large negative bias observed between CD4 levels measured on the Sysmex instruments and using Sysmex assays as compared to measurements made using other CD4 measuring assays (e.g. FacsCalibur and MPL/CellMek with PLG).</p>	30 April 2020
5.0	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Substitution of Triton X-100 as part of the Count Check Beads green reagent produced by Sysmex Partec GmbH based on based on the REACH regulation that prohibits the use of TritonX-100 from 4 January 2021. 2. Updating of the product's labelling address and intended use according to IVDR. Sysmex Partec GmbH legal company address changed from Am Flugplatz 13, 02828 Görlitz, Germany to Arndtstrasse 11 a-b, 02826 Görlitz, Germany. 3. Amendment of the intended purpose according to IVDR of CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit. 	21 June 2021
6.0	<p>Change of product codes of IVDR Class A products (CyFlow Counter, Hypochlorite Solution, Count Check Beads green, Decontamination Solution, Cleaning Solution, Sheath Fluid).</p>	15 August 2022

Intended use

According to Sysmex Partec GmbH, "*the **CD4 easy count kit** is a two-component, quantitative IVD test for subpopulation labelling of lymphocytes in adult venous EDTA whole blood, and subsequent enumeration with a suitable Sysmex Partec IVD flow cytometer. The CD4 T cell concentration is useful to assess the immune and clinical status of patients. It is an indicator for the initiation or follow-up of treatment for people living with HIV, in conjunction with other laboratory and clinical findings. The test is intended to be performed*

by trained healthcare professionals and can be used for both manual sample preparation and automated use with a suitable Sysmex Partec sample preparation system."

*The **CD4% easy count kit** is a four-component, quantitative IVD test for labelling of leukocytes and a subpopulation of lymphocytes in adult venous EDTA whole blood, which can then be enumerated with a suitable Sysmex Partec IVD flow cytometer. The CD4 T cell concentration and CD4% of lymphocytes in blood samples are useful to assess the immune and clinical status of patients. They are indicators for the initiation or follow-up of treatment for people living with HIV, in conjunction with other laboratory and clinical findings. The test is intended to be performed by trained healthcare professionals and can be used for both manual sample preparation and automated use with a suitable Sysmex Partec sample preparation system.*

*The **CyFlow Counter, accessory solutions, and assays** are intended as aid to diagnosis of immune and clinical status of patients and for monitoring, initiation or follow-up of treatment for people living with HIV. The CyFlow Counter is a manual cell analysis system designed for the determination of the absolute number of CD4+ T lymphocytes and the percentage of CD4+ cells in lymphocytes in human EDTA venous whole blood samples. The use of the CyFlow Counter is limited to healthcare professionals, trained by staff of Sysmex Partec GmbH or authorised distributors."*

Assay description

According to the claim of Sysmex Partec GmbH, for "the CD4% easy count kit, an aliquot of an EDTA whole-blood sample is mixed with two antibodies, each conjugated to a different fluorochrome for labelling dedicated cell populations. After a fixed incubation time, the two buffer solutions are added, and the sample is ready for analysis on the CyFlow Counter flow cytometer. The light source excites the fluorescent dye linked with the stained cell and the emitted light is detected while a certain volume of blood sample is running through the instrument. The concentration of the dedicated cell populations is calculated by the integrated software. For further information, please refer to the IFU of CyFlow Counter (CY-S-3022IFUEN).

For the CD4 easy count kit, an EDTA whole-blood sample is mixed with the antibody conjugated to the fluorochrome in a 1:1 ratio. After a fixed incubation time, the buffer is added, and the sample is ready for analysis on the CyFlow Counter flow cytometer. The light source excites the fluorescent dye linked with the stained cells and the emitted light is detected while a certain volume of blood sample is running through the instrument. The integrated software calculates the concentration of the dedicated cell populations. For further information, please refer to the IFU of CyFlow Counter (CY-S-3022IFUEN)".

Test kit contents

Component	Product code	Test/Kit
Instrument		
CyFlow Counter (Flow cytometer)	CY-S-3023	N/A
Software CyView 2.11	N/A	N/A
CD4 easy count kit		
CD4 easy count kit to count absolute CD4+ T-lymphocytes	05-8401	100 tests
Vial containing CD4 mAb PE	05-8401-01	N/A
Bottle containing no lyse buffer	05-8401-02	N/A
CD4% easy count kit		
CD4% easy count kit to count absolute CD4+ T-lymphocytes and CD4 percentages	05-8405	100 tests
Vial containing CD4 mAb PE	05-8405-01	N/A
Vial containing CD45 mAb PE-Cy5	05-8405-02	N/A
Bottle containing Buffer 1	05-8405-03	N/A
Bottle containing Buffer 2	05-8405-04	N/A
Others		
Count Check Beads green Fluorescent Bead controls for system check (correct volume pipetting)	05-4026	50 tests
Cleaning Solution	04-4017	250 ml
Sheath Fluid	04-4016	5 L, including tab
Decontamination Solution	04-4018	250 ml
Hypochlorite Solution	04-4019	250 ml

Items required but not provided

Item Description	Product code
Sample Tubes 3.5 ml	04-2000
A verified pipette 20 µl fix and pipette tips	please refer to manufacturers/ distributors of pipettes and pipette tips
A verified pipette 100 – 1000 µl variable and pipette tips	please refer to manufacturers/ distributors of pipettes and pipette tips
A verified pipette 10 µl fix and pipette tips (for CD4% assay)	please refer to manufacturers/ distributors of pipettes and pipette tips
Venous blood collection system with EDTA as an anticoagulant	please refer to manufacturers/ distributors of blood collection systems
Stopwatch	N/A

Storage

Store the antibody and buffer reagents in the dark at 2°C to 8°C. Do not freeze or expose the reagents to elevated temperatures and keep them away from direct sunlight.

Store Sheath Fluid (Ref. No. 04-4016) at 18°C -30 °C.

Shelf-life upon manufacture

14 months.

Under the storage conditions mentioned above, both the CD4 easy count kit and the CD4% easy count kit will be stable until the expiration date printed on the kit label.

Warnings/limitations

Refer to the current version of the manufacturer's instructions for use (IFU) and the Safety Data Sheet for a complete list of warnings and precautions.

Prioritisation for prequalification

Based on the established eligibility criteria, CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit was given priority for WHO prequalification assessment.

Dossier assessment

Sysmex Partec GmbH submitted a product dossier for CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit as per the "*Instructions for compilation of a product dossier*" (PQDx_018 v1). The information (data and documentation) submitted in the product dossier was reviewed by WHO staff and external technical experts (assessors) appointed by WHO.

The manufacturer's responses to the nonconformities found during dossier screening and assessment findings were accepted on 24 May 2018.

Based on the product dossier screening and assessment findings, the product dossier for CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit meets WHO prequalification requirements.

Manufacturing site inspection

A comprehensive inspection was performed at the sites of manufacture (Sysmex Partec GmbH, Arndtstr. 11 a-b, 02826 Görlitz, Germany and Exbio Praha a.s., Nad Safinou II 341, 252 50 Vestec, Czech Republic) of CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit in February 2018 as per the "*Information for manufacturers on prequalification inspection procedures for the sites of manufacture of diagnostics*" (PQDx_014 v4). The inspection found that the manufacturers had an acceptable quality management system and good manufacturing practices that ensured the consistent manufacture of a product of good quality.

The manufacturers' responses to the nonconformities found at the time of the inspection were accepted on 11 July 2018.

Based on the site inspection, corrective action plan review, and commitments identified and subsequently closed, the quality management system for CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit meets WHO prequalification requirements.

Product performance evaluation

CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit was evaluated at the Institute of Tropical Medicine (ITM) Antwerp, Belgium, which is a WHO Evaluating Laboratory for CD4 enumeration between October 2017 and February 2018. The performance evaluation was conducted using the WHO evaluation protocol (PQDx_114), which was also approved by the in-country ethical review board in Belgium.

A total of 312 fresh venous whole blood specimens were used to study failure rates, reproducibility (intra-assay variation, inter-assay variation, inter-instrument variation, instrument precision) and agreement with the BD FACSCalibur (BD Biosciences) as the reference method using an antibody panel including CD3/CD4/CD8/CD45 monoclonal antibodies (Multiset, BD Biosciences) with Trucount tubes (Becton Dickinson). Lastly, ease of use was assessed.

The acceptance criteria were as follows: specimen failure should be less than 10%. For reproducibility studies, a percentage coefficient of variation (%CV) should be less than 15% for CD4+ T cell counts of less than or equal to 200/ μ L and %CV should be less than 10% for CD4 counts of more than 200 cells/ μ L. Compared to the reference method, the bias should be less than 10%.

Specimen failure, which was defined as failure of the instrument to provide valid results, was found to be 2.2 % for venous whole blood specimens.

Testing of fresh specimens was conducted to assess the ability of the CyFlow Counter System with CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit to provide reproducible results. The overall CV was less than 5% for CD4 absolute counts and CD4%. Individual CV's per CD4 category were all below 5% for CD4 T cells, well within the WHO acceptance criteria (<10% and less than 15% for CD4 counts below 200 cells/ μ L).

The inter-instrument precision was generally below 5% for absolute CD4 counts and consistently below 5% for CD4%, well below the acceptance criteria of WHO.

For the intra-instrument precision, all blood specimens showed a %CV less than 5% for both CD4 counts and CD4% on venous blood specimens.

The average inter-assay variability for whole blood was between 4.0 and 4.2% for CD4 %, while it was between 3.4 and 4.9% for absolute CD4 counts.

The inter-assay variability (day-to-day reproducibility) of the normal control was mostly less than 5% (one exception with 5.2%). The low controls were generally between 5-10%, which is normal for low CD4 counts. In comparison, the variability on FACS Calibur was less than 5%.

The inter-assay variability on Multi Check stabilised blood indicated that both CyFlow Counter instruments had a good inter-assay reproducibility as %CV on normal blood controls and was generally less than 5%. The %CV was higher for low controls, but this was expected as precision is decreasing with low counts (<200 CD4 cells/ μ L), but the %CV on low counts was generally smaller than 10% and, in two cases, less than 12%, well within WHO's acceptance criteria. In comparison, the %CV on FACSCalibur were less than 5% for normal controls and slightly higher for low controls (5-7%).

Carry-over of the CD4 easy count kit was 0.58%, while for the CD4% easy count kit, it was 0.92%.

Regarding the agreement with the reference method, both kits, CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit, had a clear tendency towards a negative bias compared to FACS Calibur using TruCount tubes. The relative bias was smaller than 10% for the CD4 easy count kit, thus within the WHO acceptance criteria. The relative bias of the CD4% easy count kit was -3,5%, -10,6% and -11,7% for <200, 200 – 500 and >500 cells/ μ L respectively. The reason why the CD4% easy count kit had a larger negative bias than the CD4 easy count kit is unclear. When compared to a dual platform, both kits CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit also showed a clear tendency towards a negative bias as compared to the dual platform: FACS Calibur CD4 percentages and total lymphocyte counts from Abbott Cell Dyn Ruby haematology analyser. The relative negative bias was smaller than 10% for the CD4 easy count kit, thus within the acceptance criteria. The relative bias of the CD4% easy count kit was larger than -10% for the highest CD4 category.

Two technicians involved in the laboratory study assessed the practical use of the CyFlow Counter system. The instrument was considered easy to handle and relatively simple and straightforward to use. The start-up and closing down procedures were relatively short. The time to prepare and stain a blood sample is relatively short (15 min).

Labelling

- 1. Labels**
- 2. Instructions for use**

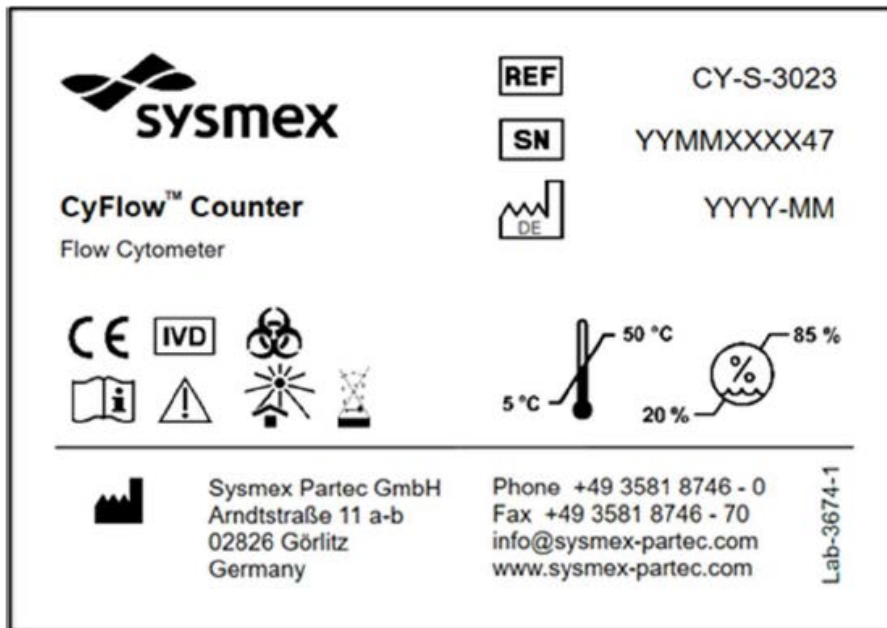
1. Labels

1.1 CyFlow Counter (Cy-S-3022)

Back Plate Label CyFlow Counter



1.2 Shipping carton label CyFlow Counter



UDI Label



1.3 Easy Count kit (05-8401)- Package labelling

1.3.1. Box label





1.3.2 Bottle Label for CD4 mAb PE



1.3.3. Bottle Label for no lyse buffer



1.4 CD4% Easy Count Kit (05-8405)

1.4.1 Box Label

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CD4% easy count kit

Identification and enumeration of the CD4+ helper/inducer T-lymphocyte subset and CD45+ leukocytes in human blood samples

Contents:
05-8405-01 Vial containing CD4 mAb PE
05-8405-02 Vial containing CD45 mAb PE-Cy5
05-8405-03 Bottle containing Buffer 1
05-8405-04 Bottle containing Buffer 2

REF 05-8405

LOT

Hourglass icon

Σ 100

2°C 8°C

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Lab-0112-2



1.4.2 Bottle Label for CD4 mAb PE



1.4.3 Bottle Label for Buffer 1



1.4.4 Bottle Label for CD45 mAb PE-Cy5

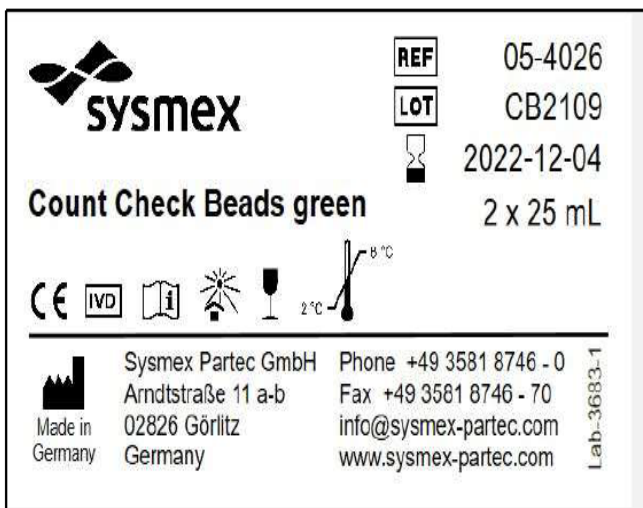


1.4.5 Bottle Label for Buffer 2

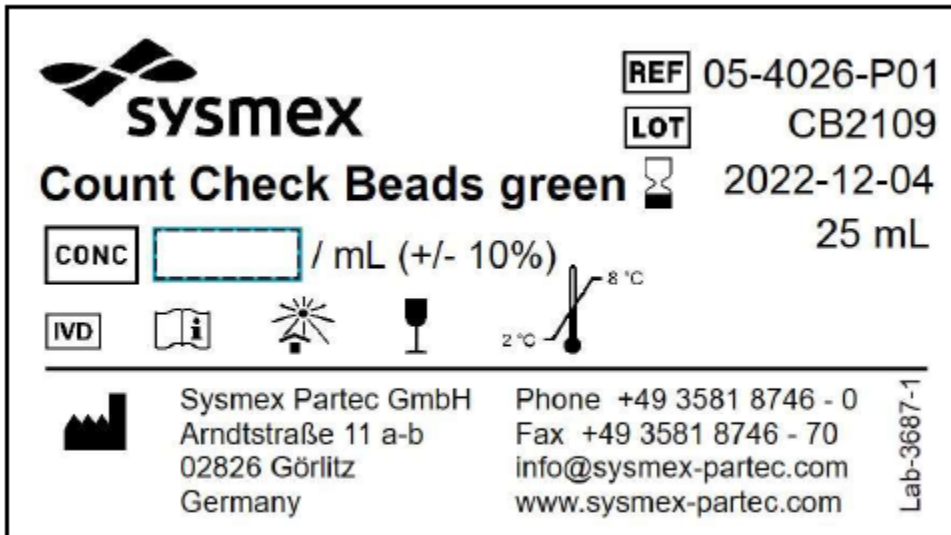


1.5 Count Check Beads green (05-4026)

1.5.1 Package label

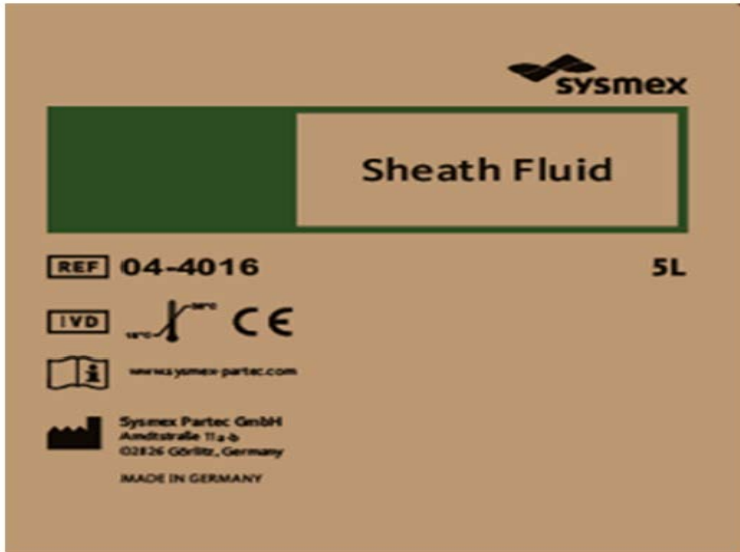


1.5.2 Bottle Label



1.6 Sheath Fluid (04-4016)

1.6.1 Box 1

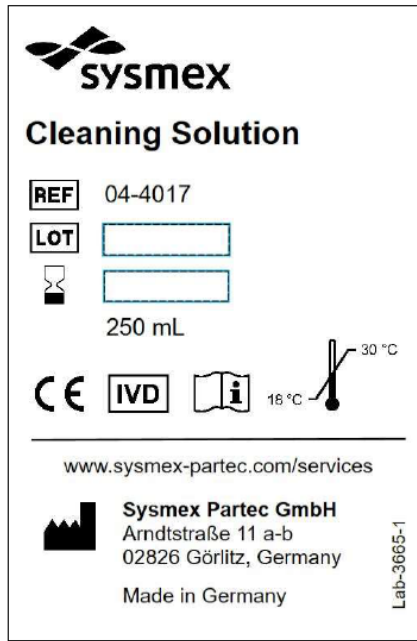


1.6.2 Box Label 2

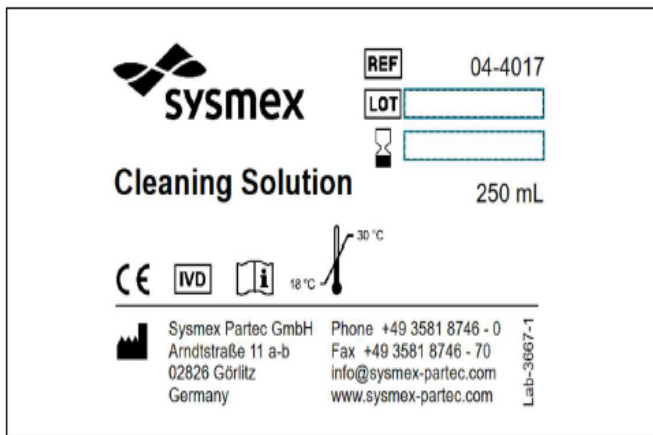


1.7 Cleaning Solution (04-4017)

1.7.1 Package label

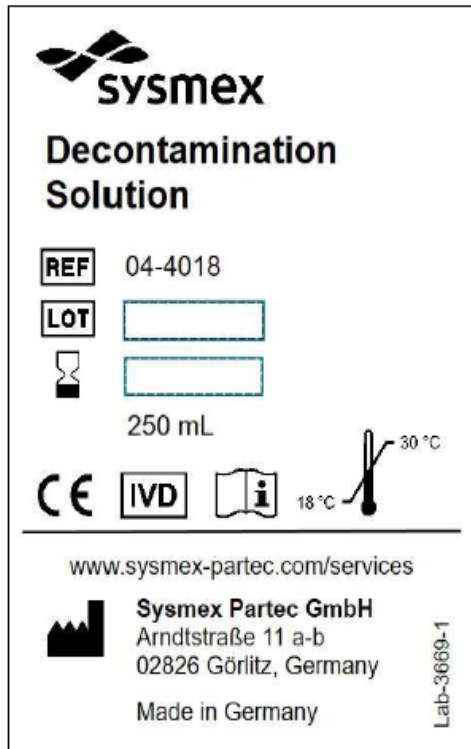


1.7.2 Bottle label

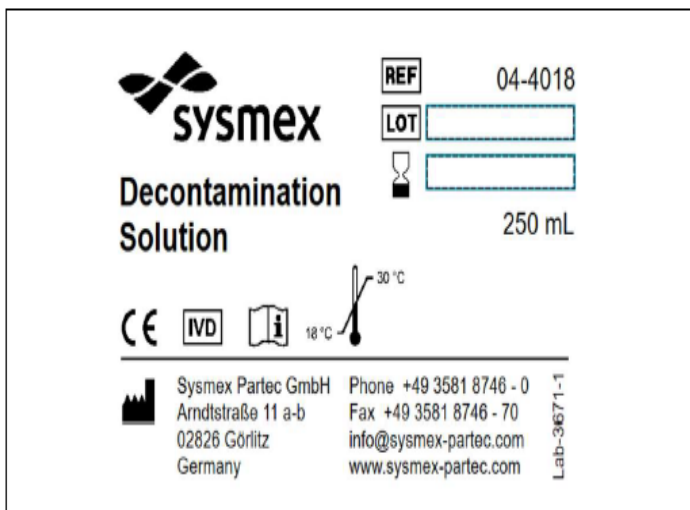


1.8 Decontamination Solution (04-4018)

1.8.1 Package label

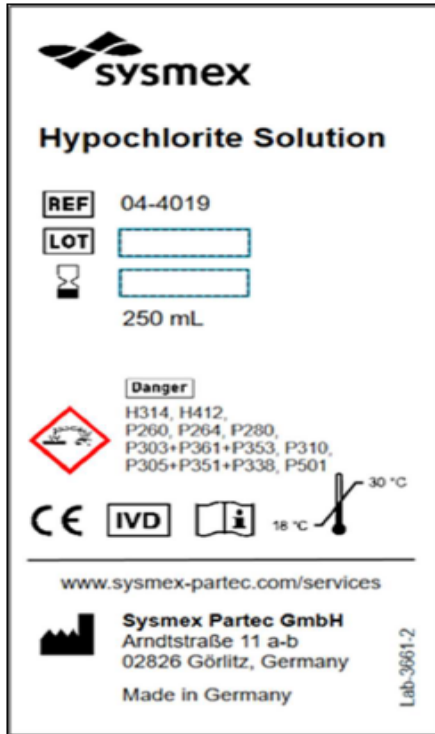


1.8.2 Bottle label

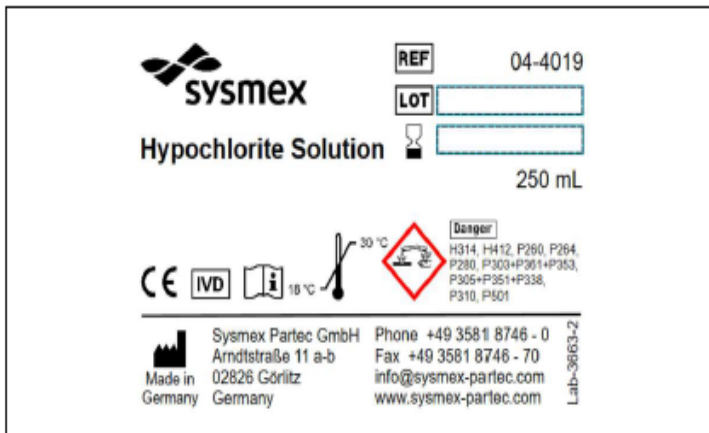


1.9 Hypochlorite Solution (04-4019)

1.9.1 Package label



1.9.2 Bottle label



2. Instructions for use¹

¹ English version of the IFU was the one that was assessed by WHO. It is the responsibility of the manufacturer to ensure correct translation into other languages.

2.1 CD4 easy count kit (product code 05-8401)

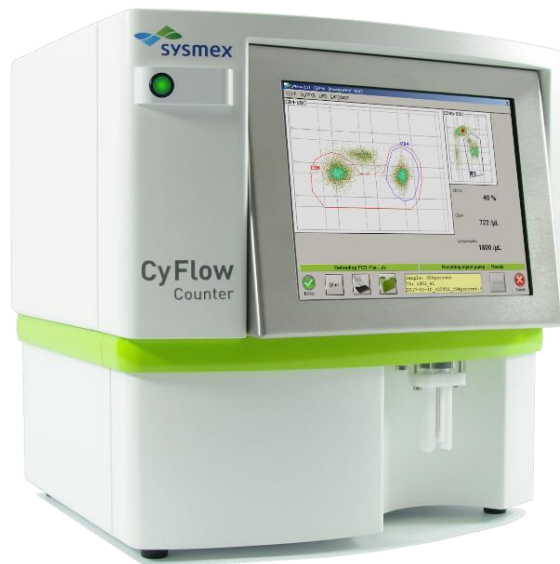
2.2 CD4% easy count kit IFU (product code 05-8405)

2.3 CyFlow Counter IFU



CyFlow™ Counter

Instructions for Use



For In Vitro Diagnostic Use

With CyView™ 2.11

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Revision history

Revision 001, Rev. date 02-03-2022

Software: CyView™ 2.11

Initial Version.

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1 Identification

1.1 Product information

Name	CyFlow™ Counter
Software	CyView™ 2.11
Ref. No.	CY-S-3023
UDI-DI	04250878904856

1.2 Intended purpose



The CyFlow™ Counter as well as the herein stated accessories, reagents and kits are intended for in vitro diagnostic use only.

The CyFlow™ Counter is intended as aid to diagnosis of immune and clinical status of patients and for monitoring, initiation or follow-up of treatment for people living with HIV.

The CyFlow™ Counter is a manual, quantitative clinical flow cytometer designed for the determination of the absolute number of CD4+ T lymphocytes and the percentage of CD4+ cells in lymphocytes in human EDTA venous whole blood samples.

The use of the CyFlow™ Counter is limited to healthcare professionals, trained by staff of Sysmex Partec GmbH or authorized distributors.

1.3 Conformity



The system described in this manual is marked with a CE mark which confirms the compliance with the essential requirements of the following European Directives:

- Regulation (EU) 2017/746 on in vitro diagnostic medical devices
- 2011/65/EU on the restriction of the use of certain hazardous substances in electrical and electronic equipment

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1.6 Authorised distributors

To receive an overview of authorised distributors nearby, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

2 Introduction

These Instructions for Use will help you to operate your CyFlow™ Counter device.

Please read these instructions carefully before operating the device. Keep the Instructions for Use for future reference.

If you have any questions about the content of the Instructions for Use or operating the device, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

Ordering supplies and parts

To order supplies or replacement parts, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

Service and maintenance

For service and preventive maintenance requests, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

Training courses

For instructional, qualification and training requests, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

For further information on the Sysmex representatives, see section “1.5 Sysmex representatives”.

2.1 General information

Ensure that the following conditions are met when working with the CyFlow™ Counter:

- Read the associated labelling carefully before using the device. This includes all provided labelling of reagents, disposables and consumables used with this device.
- Report any recurring faults or problems to your local Sysmex representative or an authorised distributor.
- Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device shall be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the Member State in which the user is located.

In any case of request for service, complaints or other questions regarding the performance or quality of the product, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

2.2 About these Instructions for Use

While we have taken great effort to ensure that the information in this document is correct at the time of publishing, it may be necessary to update the information as a result of product surveillance activities and publish a new version of the instructions for use.

For any requests regarding the latest revision of the instructions for use, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

2.2.1 Typographical conventions

To ease the reading flow, the following kinds of text highlights are used in this manual.

Table 1: Text highlights

Style	Meaning
[Brackets]	Describes interactive software elements like buttons. Example: Press the [<i>Start</i>] button.
<i>Italics</i>	Indicates software elements like menu names, dialog box names, options, and messages.
“Quotes”	Quoted text describes reference sources, cross references to other sections or references to software messages. Examples: Please refer to section “8 Software” for further information. Wait until message “ <i>Cleaning ...done</i> ” is displayed in the status bar.

2.2.2 Trademarks

- Sysmex is a registered trademark of SYSMEX CORPORATION.
- Other company names and product names in this manual are the registered trademarks or trademarks of their respective owners.

A not explicitly indicated trademark in this manual does not authorise its use. ™ and ® are not explicitly indicated in the manuals.

2.3 Limitation of liability and warranty

No warranty or liability for any damage or personal injury can be claimed nor protection be guaranteed in the following cases:

- Failure to follow the instructions for use
- Use of the device outside the intended use and specifications described in the Instructions for Use or the Service Manual
- Changes made to the device outside the limitations described in the Instructions for Use or the Service Manual
- Failure to comply with the specified maintenance intervals
- Use of accessories other than approved by Sysmex Partec
- Use of spare parts other than approved by Sysmex Partec

For any warranty claims please contact your local Sysmex representative.

3 Safety

The instructions for use are part of the product and must be read carefully before use. Keep the instructions for future reference.

The product may only be used as intended, any kind of misuse is not permitted.

3.1 Intended use

The CyFlow™ Counter is intended as an aid to diagnosis of immune and clinical status of patients and for monitoring, initiation or follow-up of treatment for people living with HIV.

The CyFlow™ Counter is a manual, quantitative clinical flow cytometer designed for the determination of the absolute number of CD4+ T lymphocytes and the percentage of CD4+ cells in lymphocytes in human EDTA venous whole blood samples.

- Do not use with liquids or materials other than stated in the documentation provided by the manufacturer.
- Do not use as a personal computer.
- Do not place any objects on top of the device.

Use of the CyFlow™ Counter is limited to qualified service personnel and trained healthcare professionals. Training is provided by Sysmex affiliates or authorised distributors on the handling of the CyFlow Counter and reagent preparation by using the CD4 and CD4% assays. Healthcare professional users must have fundamental knowledge of basic laboratory techniques including pipette skills, safe and proper handling of specimens, reagents as well as basic computer skills.

3.2 Safety conventions

Safety information in these instructions includes warnings that will alert you to certain hazards that may arise when using the device. Hazards are classified into different levels according to their severity and the following signal words are used to make you aware of related risks:



WARNING

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, could result in death or serious injury.



CAUTION

Indicates a potentially hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in minor or moderate injury.

NOTICE

Indicates a hazardous situation that, if not avoided, may result in damage to the device.

Important information that is not safety-related is indicated as follows:



INFORMATION

Indicates additional information about the device or procedure that might be useful during operation.

3.3 Safety symbols

To make warnings more accessible, the following symbols are used to reference the kind of hazard.

Table 2: Safety symbols

Symbol	Description
	Biological hazards
	Electrical hazards

3.4 General safety precautions

3.4.1 Operating environment

The device is designed for indoor use. Failure to observe the operating conditions can impair the function of the device and adversely affect measured results. Make sure the environmental conditions listed in section “11.1 Environmental conditions” are met. They include but are not limited to the following requirements:

- Place the device on a dry, clean, level surface.
- Protect the device from heat, dirt, dust, smoke or any kind of vibrations.
- Do not expose the device to direct sunlight.
- Do not place any objects on top of the device

Device damage

Operating the device at ambient temperature after it was stored or transported at cold temperature may cause internal condensing and possible damage to the device.

- Allow the device to come to ambient temperature before putting the device into operation.

3.4.2 Personal protective equipment

Operating the device includes the handling of human-sourced materials as well as chemical substances.

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, e.g. safety glasses, gloves, or protective clothing to minimize direct exposure to infectious materials or hazardous substances.

3.4.3 Working in a clinical laboratory

A clean and safe laboratory working environment is essential for the proper operation of laboratory instruments, the safe use of laboratory equipment and the determination of reliable results. It is therefore important to know and follow generally accepted rules and principles for working in the laboratory. These rules and principles include but are not limited to the following:

- Always handle and maintain laboratory equipment according to the manufacturer's documentation. E.g. make sure pipette and pipette tips are compatible and fit in size.
- Only use clean, intact laboratory equipment that is fully operational.
- Do not use reagents beyond expiry date.
- Use disposable materials (e.g. sample tubes, pipette tips) only once and discard after use. Do not reuse.

3.4.4 Alterations to the device

Unauthorised alterations to the device or the software may result in risks towards users and the device itself. Handle and maintain the device only as described in these instructions.

3.5 Biological hazards

This product requires the handling of human-sourced material.



Risk of infection

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

To avoid infection:

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Keep your working area clean and follow procedures for weekly cleaning and disinfection described in this manual.
- Dispose of all materials considered potentially infectious in accordance with local regulations.
- Follow all safety regulations applicable to your institution.

3.6 Chemical safety



Chemical hazard

Operating the device includes the handling of consumables that may contain hazardous chemicals. Contact with skin or eyes may cause irritation, burns or eye damages.

Follow general safety guidelines to minimize chemical-related hazards:

- Before handling chemicals, read and understand product-related Safety Data Sheet (SDS) provided by the manufacturer.
- Always observe product-specific warnings, precautions and handling instructions.
- Minimize exposure to chemicals. Wear appropriate personal protective equipment, e.g. safety glasses, gloves, or protective clothing.
- Regularly check for spills or leaks and follow cleanup procedures according to manufacturer's instructions.
- Comply with applicable laws and regulations related to the handling, storage and disposal of chemical substances.



Potentially explosive metal azides

Some reagents contain sodium azide as preservative. Copper and lead used in some plumbing systems can react with azides to form explosive salts.

- Dispose of azide-containing materials with large volumes of water to prevent azide build-up.

3.7 Waste handling and disposal



Hazardous waste

Liquid waste from the device may contain hazardous substances. All materials which have been in contact with potentially infectious substances of human origin must be considered biohazardous.

To minimize waste-related hazards:

- Characterise the waste stream of your facility and make sure all waste is disposed of in accordance with applicable regulations.
- Read and understand product-specific Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) and safety precautions provided by the manufacturers of chemical substances used before storing, handling or disposing chemical waste.
- Wear personal protective equipment (e.g. safety glasses, gloves, protective clothing).

3.8 Laser optics



The device is categorised as a class 1 laser product according to EN 60825-1:2014. However, the device is equipped with a class 3b laser. Under normal operating conditions the device housing is closed and the optical system is protected by secured covers. The covers are not intended to be removed by the operator. Only authorised service personnel may install and maintain internal components.

- Do not open the device housing.
- Do not remove laser covers.

3.9 Electrical hazards

The device has been designed, manufactured and tested to conform to safety requirements for electrical equipment for laboratory use.

Please observe the following general requirements when operating the device:

- Use an appropriately grounded electrical outlet of correct voltage.
- Place the device in such a way that power cables are easily accessible to unplug and will not be damaged in any way.
- In case of defect instrument cables, replace them with adequate approved cables. Refer to spare parts list for further information.
















Uninterruptible power supply

Power failure or drops in voltage will lead to the device being shut down causing possible data loss.

- It is recommended to use an uninterruptible power supply (UPS).

3.10 Product-related symbols

The following symbols appear on the device, on device packaging or in product labelling.

Symbol	Description
	Manufacturer
	Country of manufacture including the date of manufacture
	In vitro diagnostic medical device
	Serial number
	Reference number
	CE mark
	Consult instructions for use
	Caution
	Biological risks
	Keep away from sunlight
	Temperature limit
	Humidity limitation
	Unique device identifier
	Waste of Electrical and Electronic Equipment
	General electrical data

3.11 Labels used on the device

The following labels are attached to the rear side of the device.

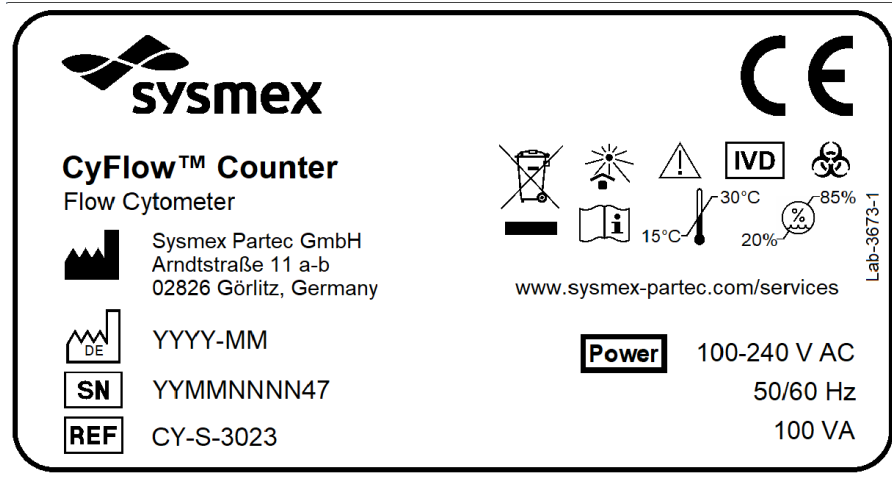


Figure 1: Type plate



Figure 2: Class 1 Laser Product label



Figure 3: Unique device identifier barcode

4 Device components and functions

The CyFlow™ Counter is a fully equipped compact and robust desktop flow cytometer with green laser excitation and three optical parameters (SSC and 2 fluorescence channels). It performs fluorescence analysis and True Volumetric Absolute Counting (TVAC) without the need for reference beads or a hematology analyzer. It represents a reliable solution with variable sample throughput for local health care centers as well as district and regional hospitals.

The CyFlow™ Counter is simple to install and does not need any additional setup time. Results are presented within three minutes as diagrams and as counting results in “cells/μL” blood sample or percentage.

4.1 Device components

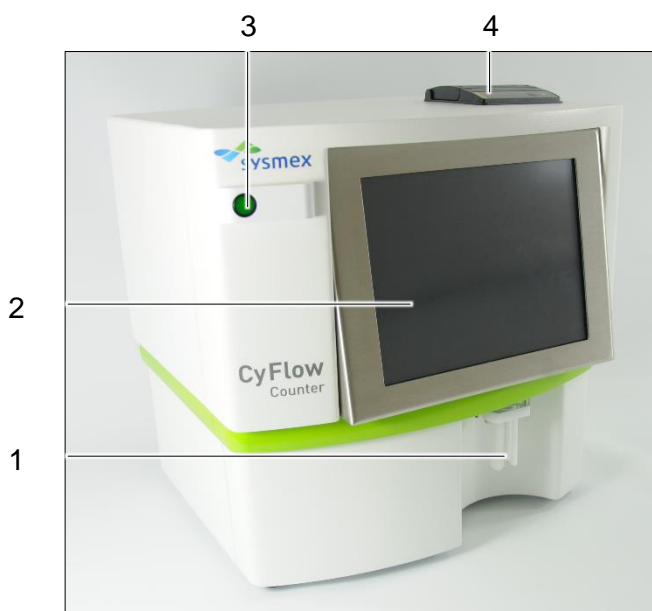


Figure 4: Front view

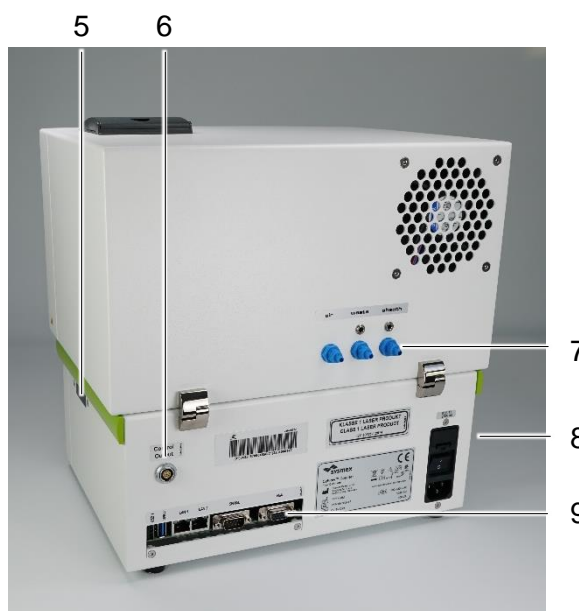


Figure 5: Rear view

1	Sample port	6	Control output for extension
2	Display (Touch-display)	7	Coupling points for fluidics
3	ON/OFF button	8	Power switch, power cord connection and fuse holder
4	Thermal printer	9	Ports for external devices
5	Coupling point for extension		

4.1.1 Sample port

The sample port is the only way to connect sample tubes. It is the point of intake for sample material.

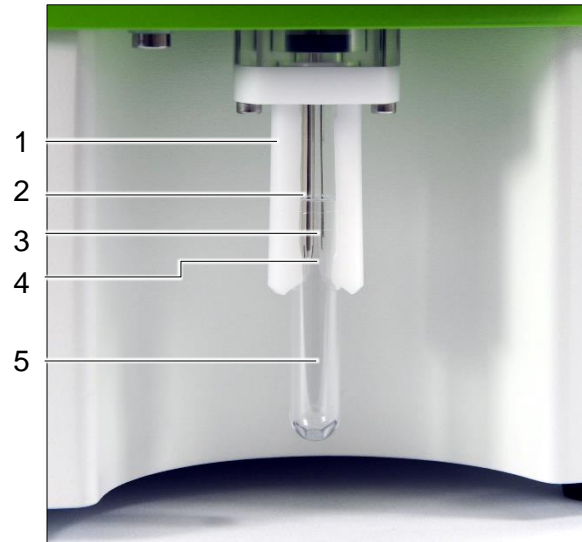


Figure 6: Sample port with sample tube (default condition)

1	Test tube holder	4	Stop electrode
2	Sample port injection needle	5	Sample tube
3	Start electrode		

4 Device components and functions

4.1.2 Thermal printer

INFORMATION

Thermal paper is not suited for long-term storage. For permanent or long-term storage make a copy on regular paper.

Please see chapter “8 Maintenance” on how to renew and adjust the printer paper.

The status LED of the printer is an indicator of functionality. Two states of operation are possible:

- Permanent light: Operational
- Blinking light: Error
- None: Off / Error

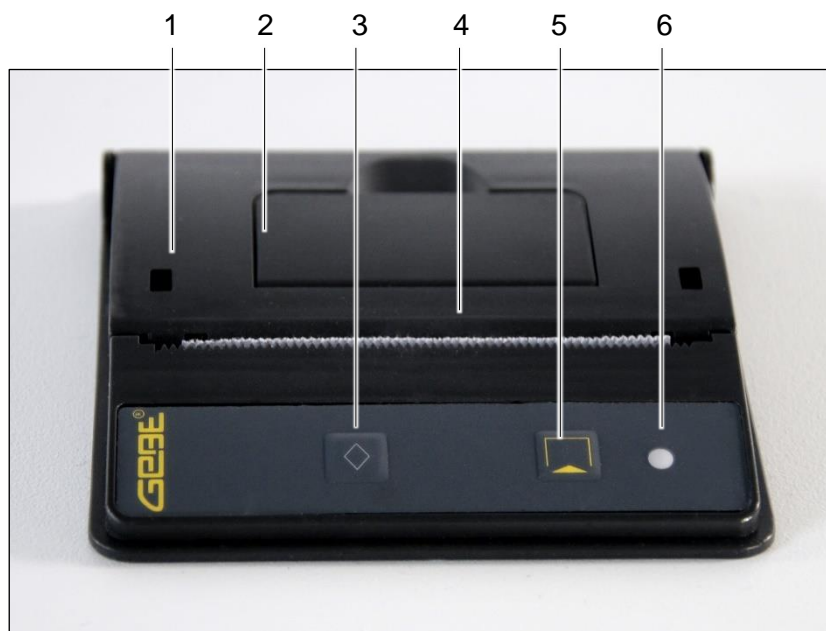


Figure 7: Thermal printer

1	Paper tray cover	4	Paper output
2	Latch	5	Feed button
3	Test print button	6	Status LED

INFORMATION

If the cover of the paper tray is not closed correctly, the print jobs will not be executed but queued. After closing the paper tray correctly, all print jobs in the queue will be processed.

4.1.3 Coupling points for fluidics

The coupling points for fluidics are inlet for Sheath Fluid by the Sheath bottle and air for building the vacuum as well as the outlet for waste.

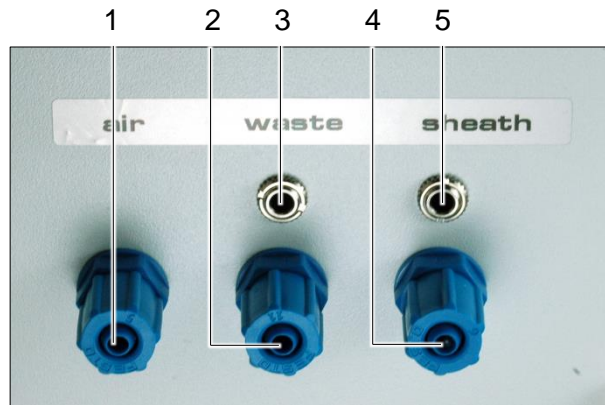


Figure 8: Coupling points for fluidics

1	Air tubing connection	4	Sheath tubing connection
2	Waste tubing connection	5	Sheath sensor cable port
3	Waste sensor cable port		

4 Device components and functions

4.1.4 Fuse holder, main power switch and power inlet socket



Figure 9: Power supply ports

1	Fuse holder (T 3.15 A / 250 V)	3	Power inlet socket
2	Main power switch		

4.1.5 Ports for external devices

The device has several ports for connection of external devices. None of them are necessary for the intended operation of the device. Any access is restricted to Sysmex authorized service personnel.

NOTICE

System and data modification by unauthorised personnel

Transferring data unauthorised with an external device onto the system may cause damages to system files and stored data.

- Only authorised service personnel are allowed to transfer data onto the system via an external device.
 - Do not manipulate or delete data and files without permission from the manufacturer or from personnel authorised by the manufacturer.
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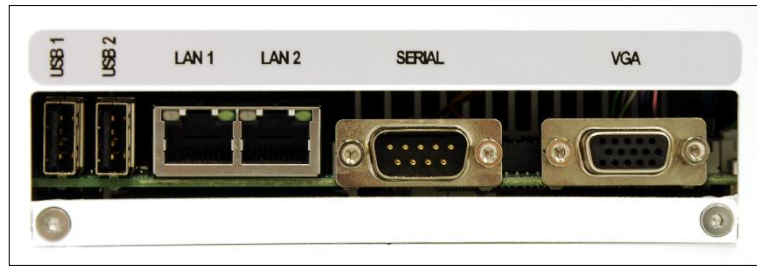


Figure 10: Ports for external devices

<i>USB 1</i>	USB 2.0 port	<i>LAN 2</i>	Ethernet port
<i>USB 2</i>	USB 3.0 port	<i>SERIAL</i>	RS 232 port
<i>LAN 1</i>	Ethernet port	<i>VGA</i>	VGA port

4 Device components and functions

4.1.6 Sheath bottle

The bottle is coated with a protective layer and can bear up to 1000 mL contents. The scale on the bottle displays the content value in mL.



Figure 11: Sheath Fluid bottle assembled (empty)

1	Tubing connection (relief)	6	Sheath sensor cable
2	Tubing connection Sheath Fluid	7	Sheath Fluid tubing
3	Sensor cable connection for the Sheath bottle	8	Inline filter (with internal Sheath Fluid tubing)
4	Cap Sheath bottle	9	Sheath sensor cable plug
5	Electrodes		

4.1.7 Waste bottle

The bottle is coated with a protective layer and can bear up to 1000 mL contents. The scale on the bottle displays the content value in mL.

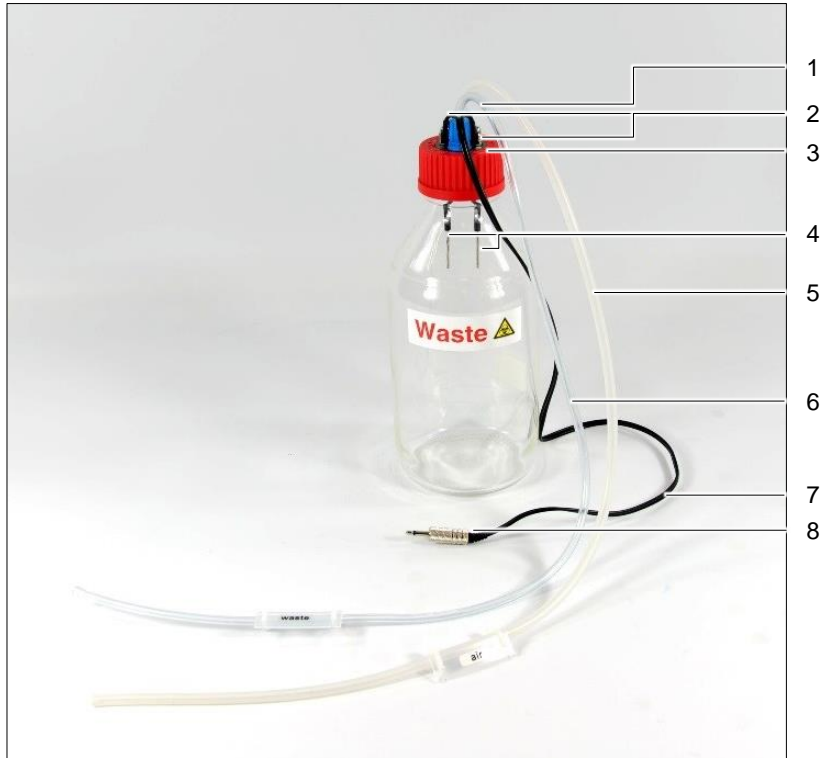


Figure 12: Waste Fluid bottle complete (empty)

1	Tubing connection waste	5	Air tubing
2	Sensor cable connection for the waste bottle	6	Waste tubing
3	Cap waste bottle	7	Waste sensor cable
4	Electrodes	8	Waste sensor cable plug

4 Device components and functions

4.1.8 Sheath Fluid and tap

The Sheath Fluid container 5 L is only usable with an appropriate tap affixed. Please see the labelling of the Sheath Fluid container for instructions. The tap is provided separately.



Figure 13: Sheath Fluid container (exemplary, left) and tap (right)

1	Sheath Fluid container	2	Tap
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4.2 Reagents, consumables and spare parts

For further information on our range of products and additional parts, visit our website www.sysmex-partec.com.

Table 3: Reagents and kits

Item	Content	Ref. No.	
		IVD-D	IVD-R
Sheath Fluid	5 L	04-4007	04-4016
Tap for Sheath Fluid	1 piece	04-4006	04-4006
Cleaning Solution	250 mL	04-4009	04-4017
Decontamination Solution	250 mL	04-4010	04-4018
Hypochlorite Solution	250 mL	04-4012	04-4019
Count Check Beads green	25 mL	05-4011	05-4026

Item	Content	Ref. No.	
		IVD-D	IVD-R
CD4 easy count kit	100 tests	05-8401	05-8410
CD4% easy count kit	100 tests	05-8405	05-8411

Table 4: Consumables

Item	Content	Ref. No.
Sample tubes 3.5 mL (single use)	500 pieces	04-2000
Sample tube rack	1 piece	04-2000-02
Inline filter for Sheath container	10 pieces	04-004-1000
Thermal printer paper roll	5 pieces	04-4000

Table 5: Spare parts

Item	Content	Ref. No.
Spare Fuses T 3.15 A	5 pieces	06-7-8005
Sheath Bottle 1 L laminated	1 piece	04-200-1071
Waste Bottle 1 L NO.03	1 piece	04-200-1059
Cap 1 L Waste Bottle NO.04	1 piece (incl. level sensor)	04-200-1043
Cap 1 L Sheath Bottle NO.02	1 piece (incl. level sensor)	04-200-1044
Instrument cable Type E+F	1 piece	06-300-1041

4.3 Flow cytometer functionality

4.3.1 Flow cytometry principle

In general flow cytometers consist of:

- a vacuum-based fluidic system to transport the sample through the device and the measuring chamber, the flow cuvette,
- a light source based optical system to generate and collect the light signals from the particles inside the flow cuvette,
- optical detectors and appropriate electronics to pick up the optical signals and transfer them in electrical and later on in digital signals and
- a computer system with a software to operate the system and to calculate and visualize the results.

Flow cytometry detects signals individually for each particle floating in a sample flow. The CyFlow™ Counter uses this principle to detect fluorescent stained blood cells.

These particles can be analysed and counted in general but also depending on subpopulations. Results can be calculated as fractions of different cell populations.

For determination of concentration, detected and counted particles must refer to a certain volume. The single-platform technique by Sysmex Partec measures the volume of the sample simultaneously. The cell concentration is calculated with the following formula:

$$c = \frac{N}{V}$$

Formula 1: Cell concentration formula

Cell concentration (c) is determined by precisely counting the number of cells (N) suspended in a mechanically defined volume (V).

Please refer to complying specialist literature¹ for further information on basic principles of flow cytometry.

4.3.2 Fluidic system and theory of operation

The fluidic system of the CyFlow™ Counter is served by a vacuum. This vacuum is applied to the waste bottle. It is precisely controlled and monitored by the electronics.

By this vacuum the so called Sheath Fluid is pulled through the fluidic system of the device. The sheath fluid conducts the hydrodynamic focusing inside the flow cuvette.

The sample is injected into this sheath flow directly below the flow cuvette. The effect of hydrodynamic focusing centers the sample in a core stream in the flow cuvette. Simultaneously the cells are separated ideally to a single line. In the flow cuvette the cells are then passing the interrogation zone with the light source.

The sample feeding of the device takes place at the sample port, where the sample tube will be fixed tightly. A syringe pump pushes air into the sample tube, which forces the

¹ Example: Howard M. Shapiro, Practical Flow Cytometry, John Wiley & Sons Inc., Hoboken, New Jersey, 2003

sample to vanish through the aspiration needle into the device and will be incorporated into the sheath flow.

The syringe pump is computer controlled and therefore the speed and displaced volume are determined.

Volume determination is provided by two electrodes, which are implemented in the sample port, in direct neighborhood to the sample aspiration needle. A start signal is sent to the computer while the fluidic level inside the sample tube is passing the first electrode, and the stop signal follows after passing the second electrode. The volume between the two electrode signals is precisely known. This technique is known as TVAC (true volumetric absolute counting).

Based on the cell concentration formula (see above) the concentration is then calculated.

Furthermore the fluidic system is able to clean the system including the flow cuvette and the sample port backwards and forwards either by sheath fluid or by cleaning fluids provided at the sample port.

4.3.3 Optical system and theory of operation

Fluorescent based flow cytometry is depending on optical components. Basically there are two groups – the illumination or excitation part and the collection of emission part. In between there is the flow cuvette as the interrogation zone.

The CyFlow™ Counter uses a solid state laser for excitation. The laser beam is shaped and focused into the flow cuvette by appropriate laser optics. The position of the laser can be adjusted to align the laser exactly into the flow channel of the flow cuvette.

On the emission side the CyFlow™ Counter has three detectors. These are one optical parameter Side scattered light (SSC) and two fluorescent parameters (FL2 and FL3). The SSC detects the scattered light from the laser beam hidden cell which is related to the shape and structure of the cell. The fluorescent parameters are detecting the fluorescent light depending on the staining of the cells. In the CyFlow™ Counter this is optimized to the dyes used in the CD4 easy count kit and CD4% easy count kit.

The SSC is connected via fiber optic and a photo multiplier tube (PMT) plugged to the electronics. The fluorescent channels are each consisting of an align free collection optics, the appropriate optical filter and a PMT.

4.3.4 Electronics and signal processing

In the PMT, optical signals are converted into electrical signals. These signals are amplified and converted into digital signals by an analog-to-digital converter (ADC). In case of the CyFlow™ Counter the ADC has a resolution of 16 bits respective 65535 discrete levels. For each detector the peak height (peak maximum) of the signal is acquired.

At least one channel is selected as the so called trigger channel. A signal need to appear in this channel to start (trigger) the data acquisition of all other channels. For CD4 absolute the trigger channel is set to FL2, for CD4% the trigger channel is set to FL3. This trigger channel is fixed for the application.

In the trigger channel a threshold is applied to exclude signals from debris or electronic noise from being acquired. This threshold is predefined for each application during setup.

4.3.5 Result presentation and analysis

After acquisition, data are transferred to the user interface software. The data are displayed as intensity. Distribution of intensity signals can be shown either for one channel (histogram plot) or for two channels (dot plot). It is common in flow cytometry to use a logarithmic scale for graphical presentation. This logarithmic calculation is done purely in software. For CD4 absolute and CD4% measurements only the logarithmic presentation is used.

To analyze the data, regions can be drawn. In histograms these are range, in dot plot these are polygons. The number of cells falling into each region can be determined by the software and thereby the concentration and ratio of the cell populations can be calculated and presented as results.

5 Installation

The CyFlow™ Counter was tested before shipping. Upon receipt of the device, an authorised service technician unpacks, positions and installs the device.

5.1 Pre-installation information

5.1.1 Transport material

Keep all transport and protective materials for future use and store them in a dry place, in case transport or storage for a longer period becomes necessary.

The following transport securing materials are used to avoid damage to specific device components. Make sure to keep these materials for future use.



Figure 14: Knotted tubings to secure the fluid connections



Figure 15: Inserted sample tube to secure the sample port components

5.1.2 Installation site

The installation site must meet the requirements for the operating environment and electrical specifications as described in chapter “11 Technical data”.

It is recommended to use an uninterruptible power supply if frequent power failures are expectable at the installation site.

5.2 Scope of delivery

The following items are in the scope of delivery:

- CyFlow™ Counter
- Sheath and waste bottle (empty and sealed)
- Instrument cable (E+F)
- Bottle cap set
- Inline filter
- Pen for touchscreen (2x)
- Protective cover
- Documents
 - End User License Agreement
 - Instructions for Use

5.3 Installation

Initial installation of the CyFlow™ Counter is performed by authorized service personnel. This includes adjusting the device and registering the clinic ID as well as the lab ID.

5.4 Relocating the device

Sometimes it may be necessary to relocate the device, for example in case of cleaning work or fixing the environment in a laboratory.

Take the following general precautions:

- Always carry the CyFlow™ Counter in upright position.
- Do not touch the electrodes of the sample port.



WARNING

Protective earthing

The electrical protection for the operator is not realised, if the device is plugged into a non-grounded electrical outlet.

- Connect the device to a grounded electrical outlet.



WARNING

Risk of infection

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Clean and disinfect spills immediately.
- Follow all safety regulations applicable to your institution.



CAUTION

Negative effects on measurement results through vibration

Vibrations in the operating environment may interfere with the optics alignment. This may result in false high or low CD4 counts and have a negative impact on treatment decisions.

- Do not expose the device to any kind of vibration.

INFORMATION

When screwing or unscrewing a bottle and its respective cap, it is advantageous to twist the bottle, to keep the tubing unbent.

5.4.1 Disconnecting

Before disconnecting tubing connectors and sensor cables, perform shutdown procedure as described in section “6.7 Shutdown”.

Required material

Item	Quantity
Container for collecting residual liquids	1 piece
Tissue or cloth to catch liquid	2 pieces

Prerequisite

- Device is powered off
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment

Procedure

1. Unplug the power cord.
2. Disconnect the waste tubing.
Catch any liquid with a cloth.
3. Disconnect the air tubing.
4. Disconnect the Sheath tubing.
Catch any liquid with a cloth.

5 Installation

5. Disconnect the sensor cable plug Sheath Fluid.
6. Disconnect the sensor cable plug waste.
7. Empty the Sheath bottle properly. See chapter “8.2.4 Empty and refill Sheath Fluid”.
8. Empty the waste bottle properly. See chapter “8.2.3 Empty liquid waste”.

Result

You can now move the device to another place. In case the device will be idle for a time between two and six days, cover it with the protective cover. Weekly cleaning is required latest after 7 days. Refer to section “6.7.4 Long-term shutdown and storage” if longer storage of the device is needed.

5.4.2 Connecting



WARNING

Wrong caps on bottles

Mixing up the bottle caps may result in biohazardous waste being pulled into the device. This may result in contamination of the Sheath Fluid tubing.

- Do not screw the waste bottle cap on the Sheath bottle.
- Do not screw the Sheath bottle cap on the waste bottle.

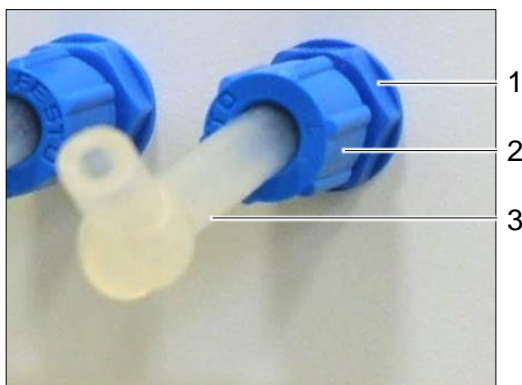


Figure 16: Fluid connection

1	Fluid connection	3	Tubing
2	Fluid connection cap		

Prerequisite

- Device, Sheath bottle and waste bottle are placed on an even, solid, dry and clean surface
- Sheath bottle and waste bottle must be placed at the same height level as the device
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment

Procedure

1. Assemble the Sheath bottle by screwing the Sheath bottle cap on the filled Sheath bottle.
2. Assemble the waste bottle by screwing the waste bottle cap on the waste bottle.
3. Connect the Sheath sensor cable plug to the Sheath sensor cable port.
4. Unscrew the fluid connection caps (if not already done).
5. Arrange each fluid connection cap on its respective tubing. The cap must be reattachable to the fluid connection.
6. Connect the Sheath Fluid tubing of the bottle cap to the Sheath Fluid connection.
7. Connect the waste sensor cable plug to the waste sensor cable port.
8. Connect the waste fluid tubing of the bottle cap to the waste fluid connection.
9. Connect the air tubing of the cap to the air connection.
10. Connect the power cord to the power inlet socket.
11. Plug the power cord to a mains socket or if applicable plug the power cord to an uninterruptable power supply.

Result

You can now proceed to refill the Sheath bottle. Refer to section “8.2.4 Empty and refill Sheath Fluid” for further information.

6 Operation

This section describes standard procedures for operating the device.

NOTICE

Possible damage to the device

Failure to follow these instructions for use may result in damages to the device and may adversely affect measurement results.

- Read and follow instructions carefully, including section “7 Software”.

The CyFlow™ Counter operates under software control. Processing is automated via task-related configuration files. The following table lists individual processes and associated configurations.

Table 6: Operating procedures and configurations

Operating procedure	Configuration
Start-up	
1. Booting	-
2. Cleaning	Cleaning.scr
Internal Quality Check	CountCheckBeadsGreen.scr
Standard operations	
1. CD4 measurement	CD4.scr
2. CD4% measurement	CD4percent.scr
Emergency Cleaning	EmergencyCleaning.scr
Shutdown	
1. Cleaning	Cleaning.scr
2. Shutting down	-
3. Power off	-

6.1 Scope of operation

INFORMATION

The herein recommended items are necessary to operate the CyFlow™ Counter as intended by Sysmex Partec.

For further information on how to obtain these items, please see section “4.2 Reagents, consumables and spare parts”.

The following items are recommended for operating the CyFlow™ Counter. The table also shows which of the items are available through Sysmex and distributors authorised by Sysmex.

Table 7: Scope of operation availability matrix

Item	Scope of delivery	Sysmex order item
CyFlow™ Counter (device only)	✓	✓
Instructions for Use	✓	✓
Reagents and kits		
Sheath Fluid		✓
Cleaning Solution		✓
Decontamination Solution		✓
Hypochlorite Solution		✓
Count Check Beads green		✓
CD4 easy count kit		✓
CD4% easy count kit		✓
Disposables		
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL		
Pipette tips 2-200 µL		
Sample tubes 3.5 mL		✓

Item	Scope of delivery	Sysmex order item
Consumables		
Sample tube rack		✓
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL		
Pipette fix 20 µL		
Pipette fix 10 µL		
Spare Parts		
Sheath bottle	✓	✓
Waste bottle	✓	✓
Waste bottle cap	✓	✓
Sheath Fluid bottle cap	✓	✓

6.2 Start-up preparation

NOTICE

Inline filter air bubbles

Air bubbles might aggregate underneath the inline filter after closing the Sheath bottle with its cap. Air bubbles cause erroneous data and hinder correct operation.

- Remove air bubbles by moving the Sheath Fluid bottle cap gently up and down while keeping the inline filter completely covered in Sheath Fluid of the bottle.

Before operating the device, make sure that the following conditions are met:

- Sheath bottle and waste bottle are clean and placed at the same height level as the device
- Sheath bottle is filled with Sheath Fluid, the electrodes must be covered
- inline filter is in the Sheath bottle tubing and unobstructed
- inline filter is free of air bubbles
- waste bottle is empty, the electrodes must be uncovered
- Sheath bottle and waste bottle are closed, each with its respective cap

- all cables are connected
- all tubings are connected
- cables and tubings from and to the device are unbent
- the ventilation grid at the rear side is unobstructed
- avoid exposure of the device to smoke, dust, vibrations, direct sunlight and heat

6.3 Start-up

Start-up must be performed before the Internal Quality Check (IQC) and before any blood sample measurement.

6.3.1 Booting

INFORMATION

For devices provided with less than 200 V, switching on the main power switch automatically starts the device.

1. Press the main power switch on the rear side.
2. Start the CyFlow™ Counter by pressing the ON/OFF button.
3. The system is booting until the operating system is ready.
4. CyView™ runs.

Continue with “Cleaning”.

6.3.2 Cleaning

The *Cleaning* configuration is executed as first configuration when starting-up, please see chapter “7 Software” additionally to this chapter.

Required material

Item	Quantity
Cleaning Solution	1.6 mL
Sheath Fluid	1.6 mL
Sample tube 3.5 mL	2 pieces
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL	2 pieces
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL	1 piece

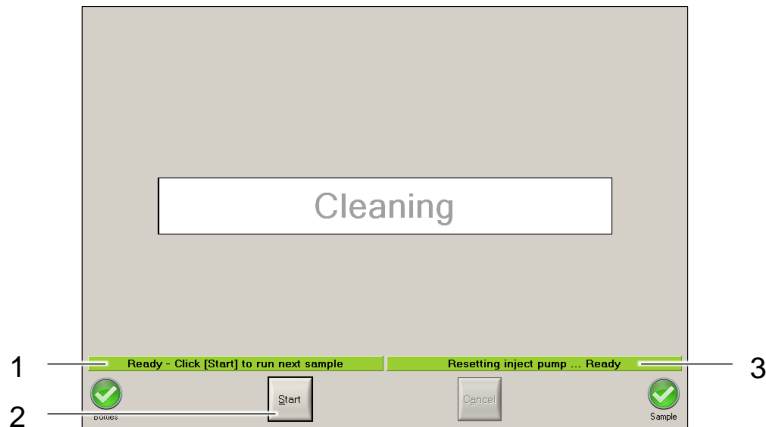


Figure 17: Cleaning

1	Device status bar	3	Progress status bar
2	[Start] button		

Procedure

1. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > Cleaning.scr* from the drop-down menu.
2. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Cleaning Solution gently into the sample port.
3. Press [Start] button.
4. Wait until message “Cleaning ...done” and message “Setting Inject pump...Ready” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.
5. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Sheath Fluid gently into the sample port.
6. Press the [Start] button.
7. Wait until message “Cleaning ...done” and message “Setting Inject pump...Ready” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.

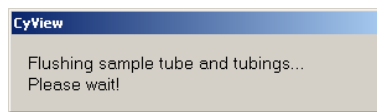


Figure 18: Flushing before Cleaning is done



Figure 19: Cleaning is done

Continue with Internal Quality Check.

6.4 Internal Quality Check

The Internal Quality Check (IQC) is intended to verify device function. This is done by analysing the Count Check Beads green (CCBg) concentration to confirm volumetric counting precision. For further information, please see chapter “7 Software” additionally to this chapter.

The following parameters form the basis for a correct analysis of the Count Check Beads green concentration:

- Position of peak: confirms laser power, gain value settings, optical alignment
- Peak width: confirms optical alignment, working fluidics

6.4.1 CCBg measurement

Required material

Item	Quantity
Count Check Beads green	850 µL
Sample tube 3.5 mL	1 piece
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL	1 piece
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL	1 piece

Prepare sample

1. Make sure the Count Check Beads green bottle is closed.
2. Shake the Count Check Beads green bottle thoroughly for about 15 seconds.
3. Use a pipette to transfer 850 µL Count Check Beads green into a clean sample tube. Discard pipette tip.

Measurement

4. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > CountCheckBeadsGreen.scr* from the drop-down menu
5. Plug the sample tube gently into the sample port.
6. Press the [*Start*] button.
7. Enter a sample ID (max. 50 characters) via the on-screen keyboard. Confirm by pressing the [*Enter*] button.
8. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.

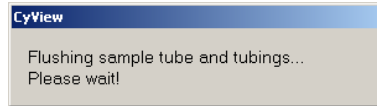


Figure 20: Flushing before Count Check Beads green is done

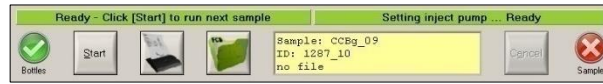


Figure 21: Count Check Beads green is done

Cancelling a measurement

Cancel a measurement by pressing the [Cancel] button, while running a measurement.

The following dialogue offers two options, to either

- Press [Yes] and flush the sample tube automatically now.
- Press [No] and flush the sample tube manually at a later time.

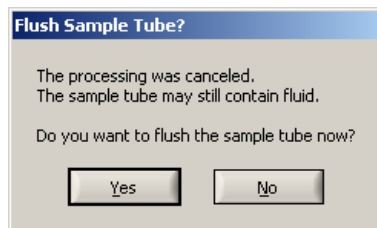


Figure 22: Flush Sample Tube

Measurement diagram

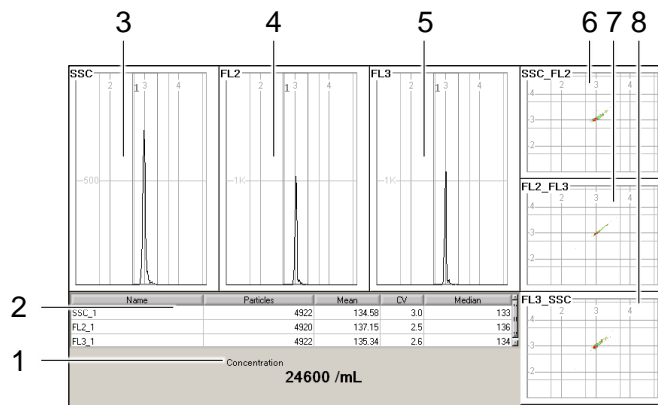


Figure 23: CCBg measurement (exemplary)

1	Concentration result (count/mL)	5	“FL3” histogram
2	Detection values	6	“SSC_FL2” dot plot
3	“SSC” histogram	7	“FL2_FL3” dot plot
4	“FL2” histogram	8	“FL3_SSC” dot plot

6.4.2 CCBg measurement post-treatment

Result interpretation

Compare the concentration result (count/mL) with the lot-specific concentration stated on the label of the used Count Check Beads green bottle. The IQC is passed if the measured value is within or exactly $\pm 10\%$ of the lot-specific concentration value stated on the CCBg bottle.

If IQC did not pass, please see chapter “9.2 Internal Quality Check out of range”.

If IQC is passed, the device is ready for standard operations.

Printout

CCBg measurement results can be printed out.

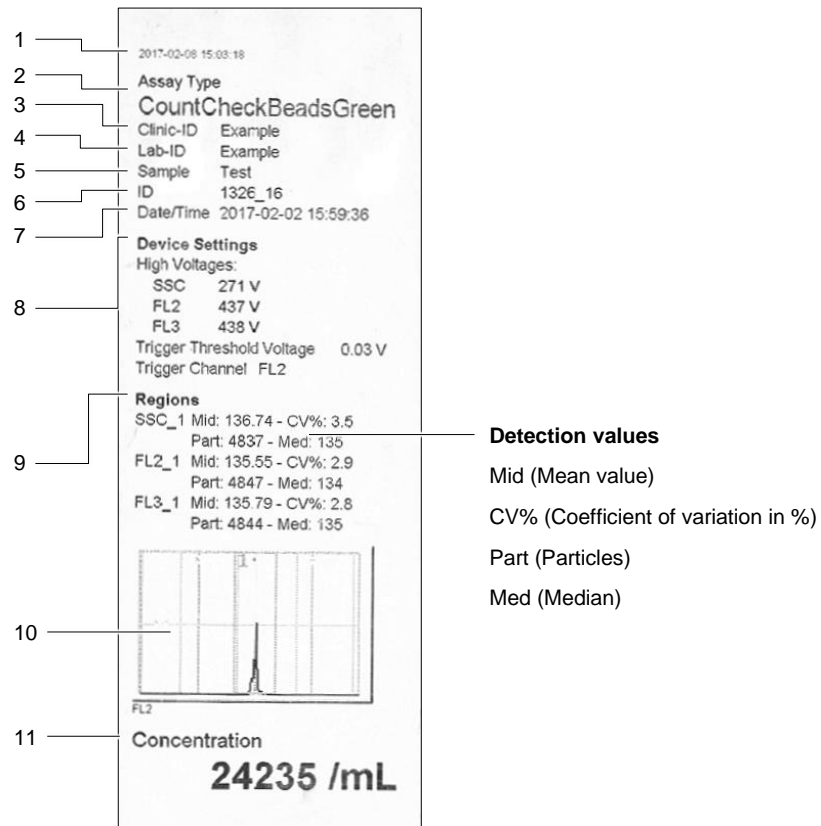


Figure 24: CCBg printout (exemplary)

1	Timestamp of printout (YYYY-MM-DD hour:minute:second)	7	Measurement date (YYYY-MM-DD hour:minute:second)
2	Assay type (CountCheckBeadsGreen configuration)	8	Device Settings
3	Clinic-ID (generated at commissioning)	9	Regions (detailed region results)
4	Lab-ID (generated at commissioning)	10	Diagram with caption (FL2)
5	Sample ID (user-defined)	11	Concentration result (CCBg/mL)
6	Measurement ID (automatically generated)		

Table 8: IQC detection values

Detection value	Description
<i>Name</i>	Name of detector (e.g. "SSC_1" for SSC photomultiplier tube)
<i>Particles</i>	Number of counted particles for each detector (absolute)
<i>Mean</i>	Mean intensity value for all measured particles (statistical)
<i>CV</i>	Coefficient of variation in %, which shows the variability in relation to a mean value
<i>Median</i>	Intensity value of the most intermediate particle, depending on the most and least intense particle measured (statistical)

6.5 Sample handling

Observe the following guidelines when handling samples:

- Use human venous whole blood collected in EDTA (anticoagulant, K2 or K3) tubes.
- Invert the closed EDTA tube containing the whole blood specimen 8-10 times prior to preparation to ensure a homogeneous mixture.
- For best results, use the whole blood specimen in combination with CD4 easy count kit or CD4% easy count kit within 6 hours after blood collection.
- If necessary, the whole blood specimen can be stored in a refrigerator (2-8 °C, non-freezing) for up to 24 hours. Discard samples that have exceeded the specified storage period or that were stored under inappropriate conditions.

6.6 Standard operations



WARNING

Disease progression

Users might perform a measurement under wrong environmental influences. Failure to observe the operating conditions can impair the function of the device and adversely affect measured results

- Observe the environmental conditions listed in section “11.1 Environmental conditions” when operating the device.



WARNING

Interchangeability of measurement results

CD4 and CD4% concentrations measured with the CyFlow Counter and Sysmex Partec assays may differ from concentrations obtained from other manufacturers' methods of determining CD4 and CD4%. Patients monitoring based on CD4 and CD4% values measured with different technologies may result in incorrect treatment decisions.

- Results must not be used interchangeably.

During the staining procedure with the CD4 easy count kit and the CD4% easy count kit whole blood specimen are diluted by a factor of 42. The CyView™ configurations "CD4" and "CD4percent" already take this dilution factor into account and display the number of CD4⁺ T cells and CD4⁺ lymphocytes per μL of undiluted blood in the respective "Result" area.

Dilution factor for CD4 easy count kit:

$$\frac{20 \mu\text{L blood} + 20 \mu\text{L CD4 mAb PE} + 800 \mu\text{L no lyse buffer}}{20 \mu\text{L blood}} = 42$$

Dilution factor for CD4% easy count kit:

$$\frac{20 \mu\text{L blood} + 10 \mu\text{L CD4 mAb PE} + 10 \mu\text{L CD45 mAb PE -Cy5} + 400 \mu\text{L buffer 1} + 400 \mu\text{L buffer 2}}{20 \mu\text{L blood}} = 42$$

6.6.1 CD4 measurement



WARNING

Risk of infection

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Clean and disinfect spills immediately.
- Follow all safety regulations applicable to your institution.

NOTICE

Clotted blood samples

Clotted whole blood samples may compromise measurement results and cause clogging of the fluidic system.

- Do not use clotted blood samples.

To understand the software interface and to use the software correctly, please also see chapter “7 Software”.

Required material

Item	Quantity
EDTA whole blood	1 tube
CD4 easy count kit	1 kit
- CD4 mAb PE	
- no lyse buffer	
Sample tube 3.5 mL	1 piece
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL	1 piece
Pipette tips 2-200 µL	2 pieces
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL	1 piece
Pipette fix 20 µL	1 piece

CD4 sample preparation

- Invert the blood sample in the EDTA blood collection tube gently 8 to 10 times.
- Pipette 20 µL EDTA whole blood sample to the bottom of an unused sample tube. Avoid leaving a trail of blood from the pipette tip on the inner tube wall. Discard the pipette tip.
- Add 20 µL CD4 mAb PE directly into the blood sample and mix it gently. Avoid leaving a trail of blood from the pipette tip on the inner tube wall. Discard the pipette tip.
- Incubate the mixture for a minimum of 15 minutes and a maximum of 30 minutes at 15 – 30 °C in the dark.
- Add 800 µL no lyse buffer and vortex briefly or mix the sample by pipetting up and down. Discard the pipette tip.
- Vortex briefly or mix the sample by pipetting up and down before analysing the sample.

INFORMATION

After addition of no lyse buffer samples can be stored for up to 2 hours at 2-8 °C in the dark. Do not use samples that have exceeded storage time or that have not been prepared according to the instructions.

See also the instructions for use of the CD4 easy count kit.

Measurement

1. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > CD4.scr* from the drop-down menu.
2. Plug the sample tube with the prepared sample gently into the sample port.
3. Press the [*Start*] button.
4. Enter a sample ID (max. 50 characters) via the on-screen keyboard. Confirm by pressing the [*Enter*] button.
5. The ongoing step is displayed in the progress status bar.

The instrument performs a series of steps in the following sequence:

- a) Prerun: Creates a temporary, fast sample flow.
- b) Measure: The laminar flow is established until TVAC starts. Particles are detected.
- c) Level Counting: Particles in a certain volume are detected and counted.
- d) Flush: An internal cleaning cycle is performed.

6. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.

The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.

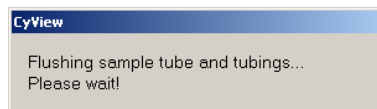


Figure 25: Flushing before CD4 measurement is done

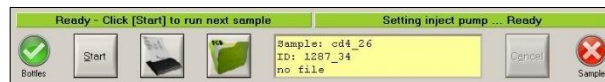


Figure 26: CD4 measurement is done

Measurement diagram

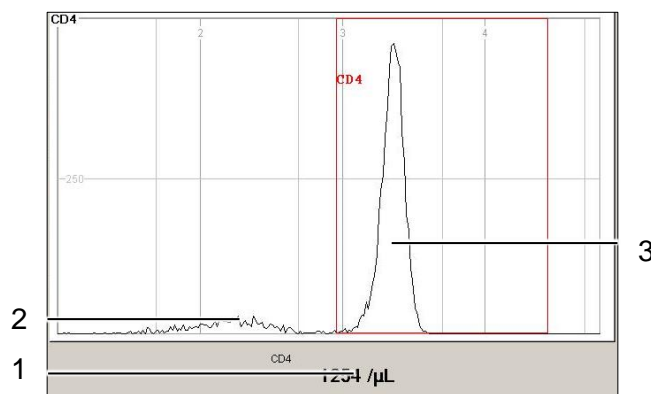


Figure 27: Results of CD4 measurement (example)

1	CD4 ⁺ T cells result (cells/µL)	3	CD4 ⁺ T cell peak, gated by CD4 gate
2	Monocyte peak		

Cancelling a measurement

Cancel a measurement by pressing the [Cancel] button, while running a measurement.

The following dialogue gives you two options:

- Press [Yes] and flush the sample tube automatically now.
- Press [No] and flush the sample tube manually at a later time.

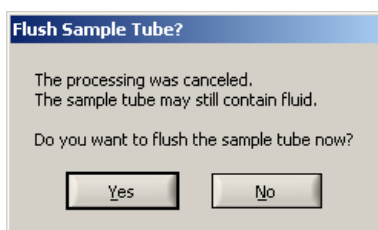



Figure 28: Flush Sample Tube

6.6.2 CD4 measurement post-treatment

Before saving or printing measurement results, verify correct placement of cell populations and debris within the measurement diagram by visual inspection. Only CD4+ T cells must be inside the “CD4” gate. Monocytes and if present debris must be outside “CD4” gate. Otherwise, gate “CD4” needs to be adjusted according to the procedure described below.

Adjusting gate “CD4”

1. Click inside gate “CD4” to select it.
2. The frame of the gate changes into a dashed line.
3. Press the  [Confirm] button on the right side of the screen.
4. The histogram switches into full screen mode.
5. Set the left border of the gate.
6. Set the right border of the gate.
7. The gate is confirmed automatically after the second line has been set.

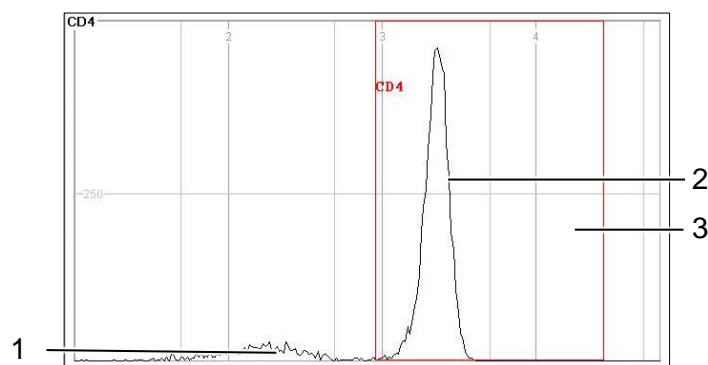


Figure 29: Finished CD4 measurement (blood from a healthy donor)

1	Monocyte peak	3	Gate “CD4”
2	CD4 ⁺ T cell peak		

Printout

CD4 measurement results can be printed out:

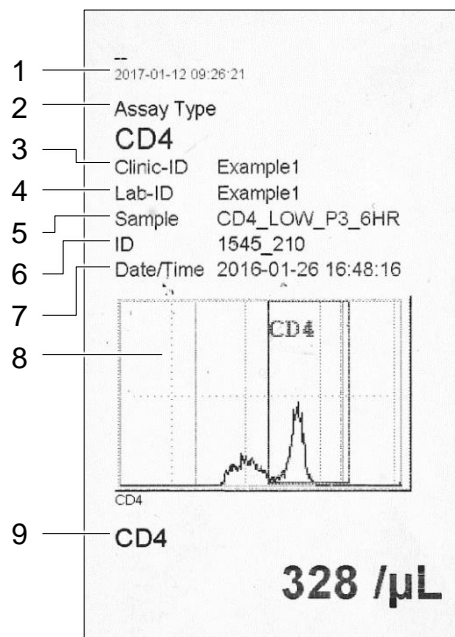


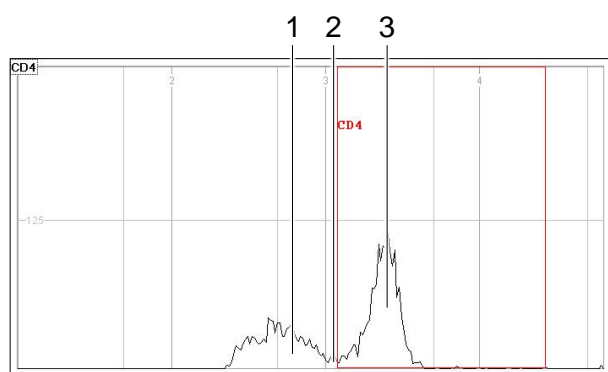
Figure 30: CD4 printout (exemplary)

1	Timestamp of printout (YYYY-MM-DD hour:minute:second)	6	Measurement ID (automatically generated)
2	Assay type (CD4 configuration)	7	Measurement date (YYYY-MM-DD hour:minute:second)
3	Clinic-ID (generated at commissioning)	8	Diagram with caption (CD4)
4	Lab-ID (generated at commissioning)	9	Counting result (cells/µL)
5	Sample ID (user-defined)		

6.6.3 CD4 measurement rating

The following examples are outlining differences and similarities between diagrams to support your understanding of clear and unclear separation. Clear separation is the ideally obvious visible separation between monocytes and CD4⁺ T lymphocytes, model samples bear a valley as line of separation.

Clear separation

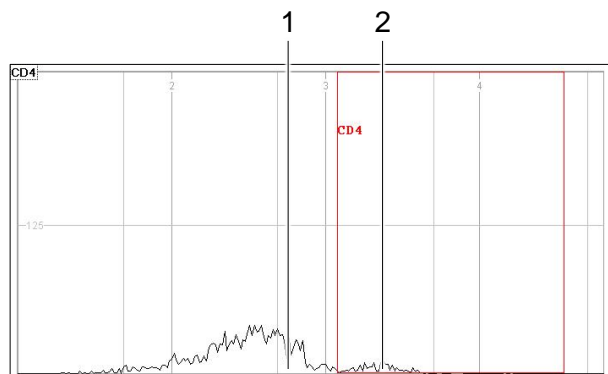


CD4 clear separation (A)

1. Monocytes
2. Valley
3. CD4⁺ T lymphocytes

High count (high CD4⁺ T lymphocytes value)

Figure 31: CD4 clear separation (A)

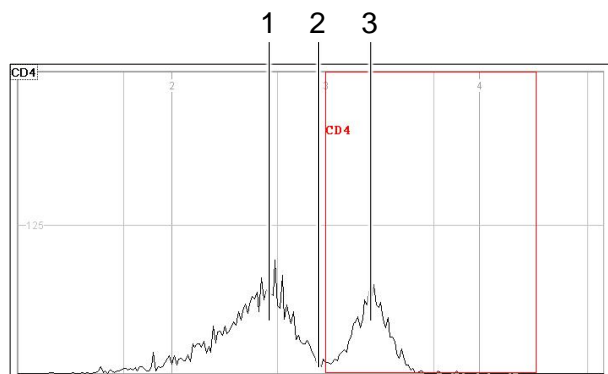


CD4 clear separation (B)

1. Monocytes
2. CD4⁺ T lymphocytes

Low count (CD4⁺ T lymphocytes low)

Figure 32: CD4 clear separation (B)



CD4 clear separation (C)

1. Monocytes
2. Valley
3. CD4⁺ T lymphocytes

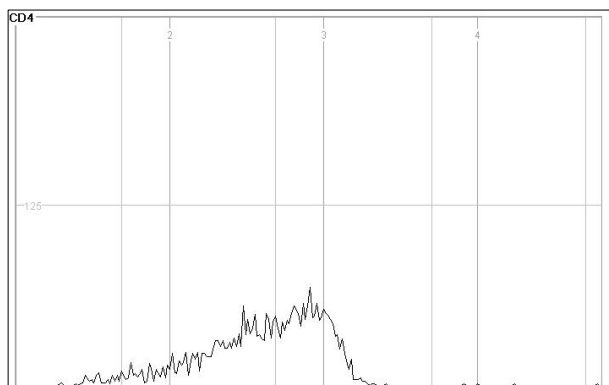
Medium count (CD4⁺ T lymphocytes medium)

Figure 33: CD4 clear separation (C)

Unclear separation

INFORMATION

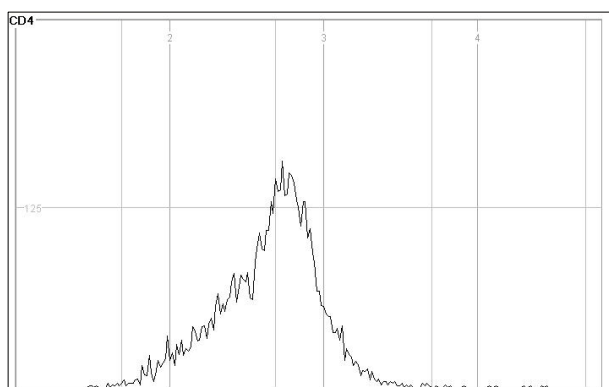
For information on how to resolve unclear separation, please see chapter “9 Troubleshooting”.



CD4 unclear separation (D)

No valley
Identification of signals is unclear
No reasonable gating can be applied

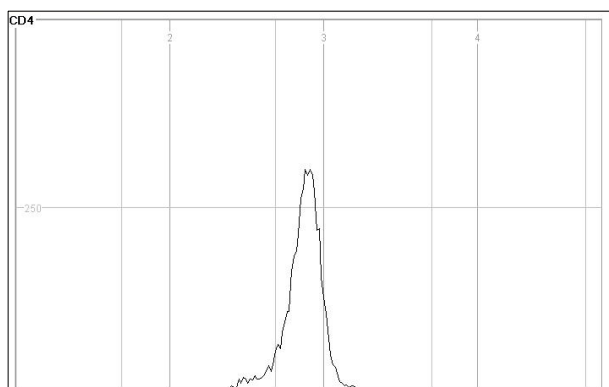
Figure 34: CD4 unclear separation (D)



CD4 unclear separation (E)

No valley
Identification of signals is unclear
No reasonable gating can be applied

Figure 35: CD4 unclear separation (E)



CD4 unclear separation (F)

No valley
Identification of signals is unclear
No reasonable gating can be applied

Figure 36: CD4 unclear separation (F)

6.6.4 CD4% measurement



WARNING

Risk of infection

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Clean and disinfect spills immediately.
- Follow all safety regulations applicable to your institution.

NOTICE

Clotted blood samples

Clotted whole blood samples may compromise measurement results and cause clogging of the fluidic system.

- Do not use clotted blood samples.

To understand the software interface and to use the software correctly, please also see chapter “7 Software”.

Required material

Item	Quantity
EDTA whole blood	1 tube
CD4% easy count kit	1 kit
- CD4 mAb PE	
- CD45 mAb PE-Cy5	
- Buffer 1	
- Buffer 2	
Sample tube 3.5 mL	1 piece
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL	2 pieces
Pipette tips 2-200 µL	3 pieces
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL	1 piece
Pipette fix 20 µL	1 piece

Item	Quantity
Pipette fix 10 µL	1 piece

INFORMATION

After addition of Buffer 1, samples can be stored for up to 2 hours at 2-8 °C in the dark. Do not use samples that have exceeded storage time or that have not been prepared according to the instructions.

See also the instructions for use of the CD4% easy count kit.

INFORMATION

After addition of Buffer 2, samples must be analyzed within 10 minutes. It is not recommended to use the sample later than that.

See also the instructions for use of the CD4% easy count kit.

CD4% sample preparation

- Invert the blood sample in the EDTA blood collection tube gently 8 to 10 times.
- Pipette 20 µL EDTA whole blood sample to the bottom of an unused sample tube. Avoid leaving a trail of blood from the pipette tip on the inner tube wall. Discard the pipette tip.
- Add 10 µL CD4 mAb PE directly into the blood sample and mix it gently. Avoid leaving a trail of blood from the pipette tip on the inner tube wall. Discard the pipette tip.
- Add 10 µL CD45 mAb PE-Cy5 directly into the blood sample and mix it gently. Avoid leaving a trail of blood from the pipette tip on the inner tube wall. Discard the pipette tip.
- Incubate the mixture for a minimum of 15 minutes and a maximum of 30 minutes at 15 – 30 °C in the dark.
- Add 400 µL Buffer 1 and vortex briefly, or tap tube gently in order to mix the sample. Discard the pipette tip.
- Add 400 µL Buffer 2 and vortex briefly, or mix the sample by pipetting up and down. Discard the pipette tip.

Vortex briefly, or mix the sample by pipetting up and down before analysing with a Sysmex Partec IVD flow cytometer, such as the CyFlow™ Counter.

Measurement

1. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > CD4percent.scr* from the drop-down menu.
2. Plug the sample tube with the prepared sample gently into the sample port.
3. Press the [Start] button.
4. Enter a sample ID (max. 50 characters) via the on-screen keyboard. Confirm by pressing the [Enter] button.
5. The ongoing step is displayed in the progress status bar.

The instrument performs a series of steps in the following sequence:

- a) Prerun: Creates a temporary, fast sample flow.
- b) Measure: The laminar flow is established until TVAC starts. Particles are detected.
- c) Level Counting: Particles in a certain volume are detected and counted.
- d) Flush: An internal cleaning cycle is performed.

6. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the Status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.

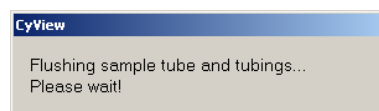


Figure 37: Flushing before CD4% measurement is done



Figure 38: CD4% measurement is done

Measurement diagram

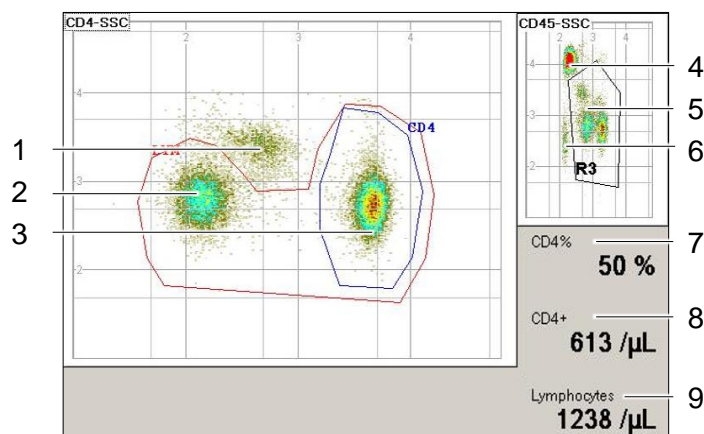


Figure 39: Results of CD4% measurement (example)

6 Operation

1	Monocytes cluster	6	Debris cluster
2	CD4 ⁻ lymphocyte cluster, gated by "LYM" gate	7	CD4% result (%)
3	CD4 ⁺ T cell cluster, gated by "CD4" gate	8	CD4 ⁺ result (cells/μL)
4	Granulocyte cluster	9	Lymphocytes result (cells/μL)
5	Lymphocyte and monocyte clusters, gated by "R3" gate		

Cancelling a measurement

Cancel a measurement by pressing the [*Cancel*] button, while running a measurement.

The following dialogue gives you two options, to either

- Press [*Yes*] and flush the sample tube automatically now.
- Press [*No*] and flush the sample tube manually at a later time.

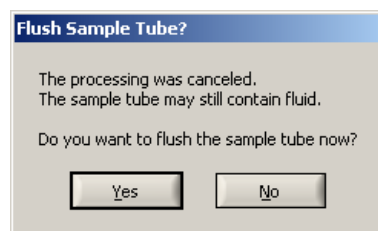


Figure 40: Flush Sample Tube

6.6.5 CD4% measurement post-treatment

Before saving or printing measurement results, verify correct placement of cell populations and debris, if applicable, within the measurement diagram by visual inspection:



- Only lymphocytes and monocytes must be inside the “R3” gate.
- Granulocytes and if present debris must be outside the “R3” gate.
- Only CD4+ T cell must be inside the “CD4+” gate.
- Only CD4+ T cells and CD4- lymphocytes must be inside the “LYM” gate.
- Monocytes must be outside “CD4+” and “LYM” gates.

If these requirements are not met, proceed to adjusting the gates according to the procedure described below. Make sure gate “R3” is adjusted before “CD4+” or “LYM” gates.



INFORMATION

Presence of debris in the measurement diagram is common and is considered a prerequisite to ensure correct adjustment of the “R3” gate. If no debris population is visible in many samples, please contact your local Sysmex representative.



Adjusting “R3” gate

1. Click inside gate “R3” to select it.
2. The frame of the gate changes into a dashed line.
3. Press the  [Confirm] button on the right side of the screen.
4. The dot plot switches into full screen mode.
5. Click for every corner point to draw a polygon. A maximum of 21 points is possible.
6. Press  to confirm the gate.

Adjusting “CD4” gate

1. Click inside “CD4+” gate to select it.
2. The frame of the gate changes into a dashed line.
3. Press the  [Confirm] button on the right side of the screen.
4. The dot plot switches into full screen mode.
5. Click for every corner point, to draw a polygon. A maximum of 21 points is possible.
6. Press  to confirm the gate.

Adjusting “LYM” gate

1. Click inside “LYM” gate to select it.
2. The frame of the gate changes into a dashed line.
3. Press the  button on the right side of the screen.
4. The dot plot switches into full screen mode.
5. Click for every corner point, to draw a polygon. A maximum of 21 points is possible.
6. Press  to confirm the gate.

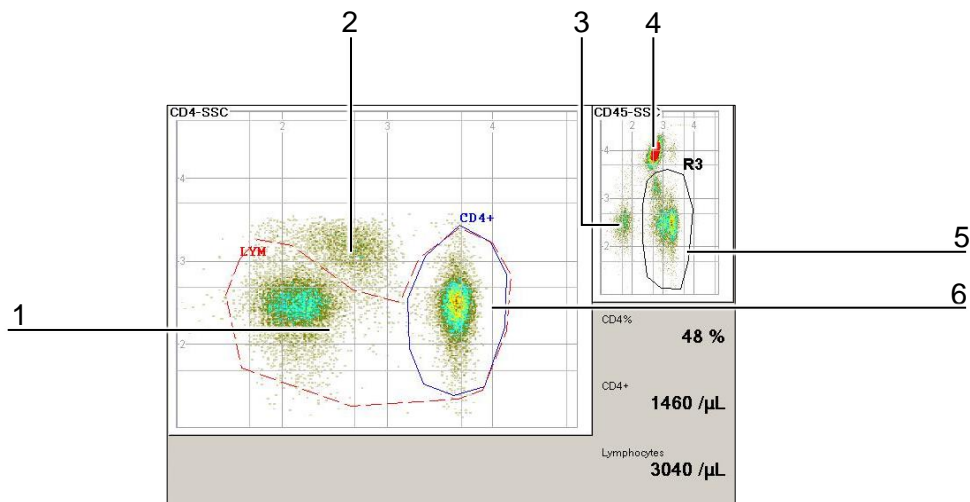


Figure 41: Finished CD4% measurement (blood from a healthy donor)

1	CD4 ⁺ T cells and CD4 ⁻ lymphocytes, gated by gate “LYM”	4	Granulocytes
2	Monocytes	5	Lymphocytes and monocytes, gated by gate “R3”
3	Debris cluster	6	CD4 ⁺ T cells, gated by gate “CD4+” and gate “LYM”

Printout

CD4% measurement results can be printed out.

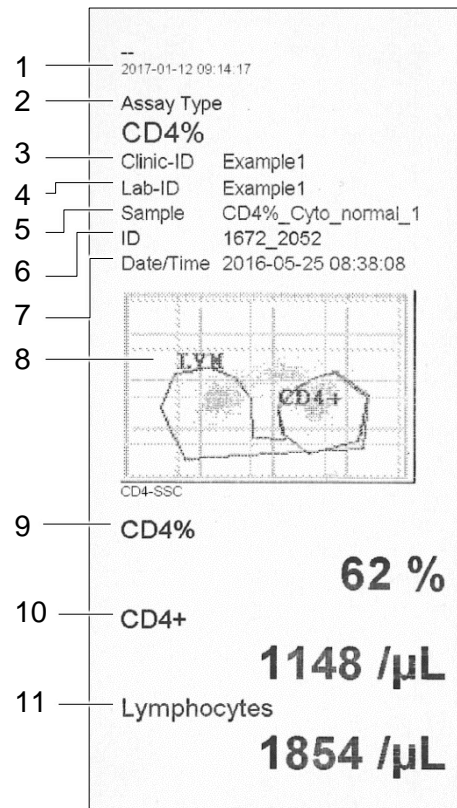


Figure 42: CD4% printout (exemplary)

1	Timestamp of printout (YYYY-MM-DD hour:minute:second)	7	Measurement date (YYYY-MM-DD hour:minute:second)
2	Assay Type (CD4% configuration)	8	Diagram with caption (CD4-SSC)
3	Clinic-ID (generated at commissioning)	9	CD4% result (%)
4	Lab-ID (generated at commissioning)	10	CD4+ result (cells/µL)
5	Sample ID (user-defined)	11	Lymphocytes result (cells/µl)
6	Measurement ID (automatically generated)		

6.6.6 CD4% measurement rating

The following examples are outlining differences and similarities between diagrams to support your understanding of clear and unclear separation. Clear separation is the visible separation between:

For CD4-SSC dot plots: CD4⁻ lymphocytes and monocytes

For CD45-SSC dot plots: debris cluster and lymphocytes, granulocytes and monocytes

Clear separation

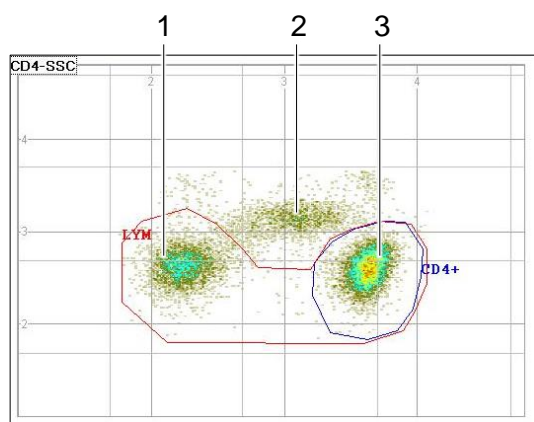


Figure 43: CD4-SSC clear separation (A)

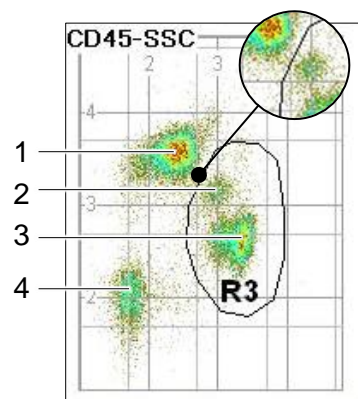


Figure 44: CD45-SSC clear separation (A)

1. CD4⁻ lymphocytes (“LYM” gate)
2. Monocytes
3. CD4⁺ T lymphocytes (“LYM” gate and “CD4⁺” gate)

1. Granulocytes
2. Monocytes
3. Lymphocytes
4. Debris

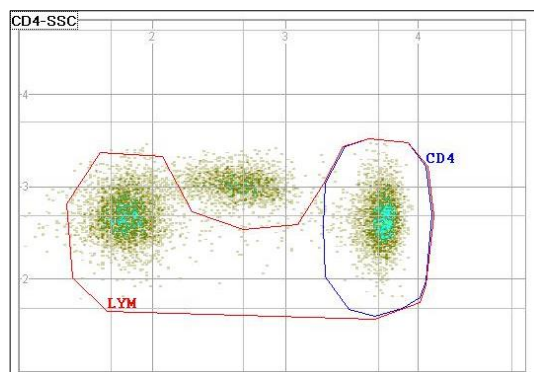


Figure 45: CD4-SSC clear separation (B)

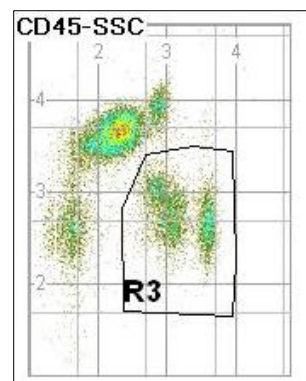


Figure 46: CD45-SSC clear separation (B)

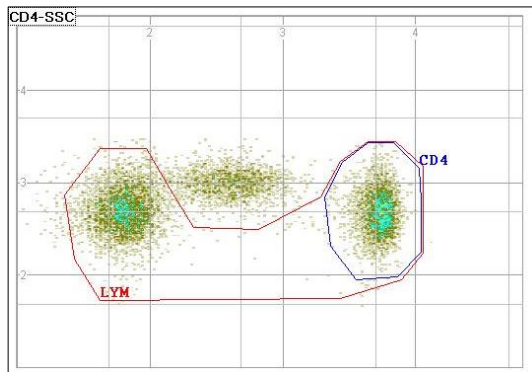


Figure 47: CD4-SSC clear separation (C)

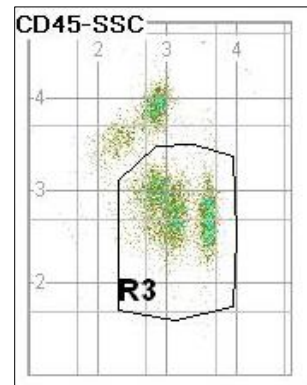


Figure 48: CD45-SSC clear separation (C)

Unclear separation

INFORMATION

For information on how to resolve unclear separation, please see chapter 9 Troubleshooting.

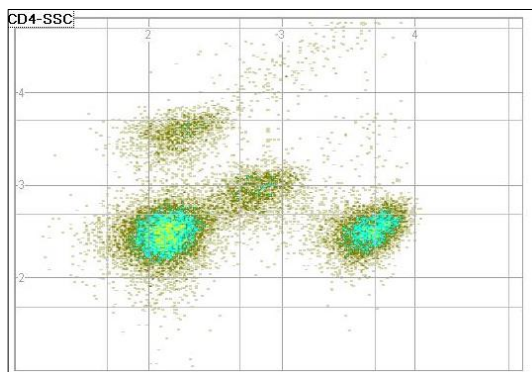


Figure 49: CD4-SSC clear separation (D)

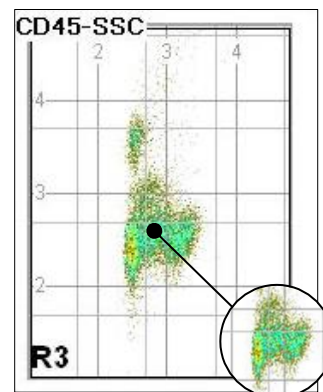


Figure 50: CD45-SSC unclear separation (D)

CD4-SSC identification of signals is clear but CD45-SSC identification of signals is unclear. Granulocytes, monocytes and CD45⁺ lymphocytes are too close. No reasonable R3 gating can be applied to CD45-SSC.

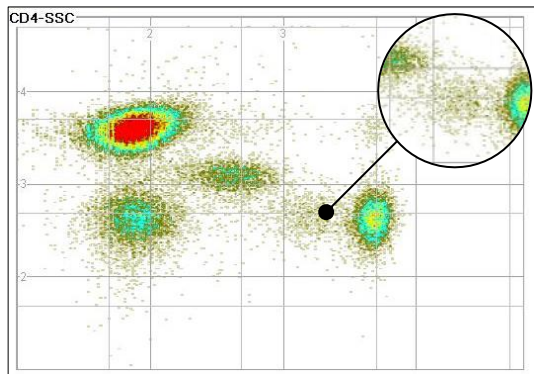


Figure 51: CD4-SSC scattered CD4⁺ cluster (E)

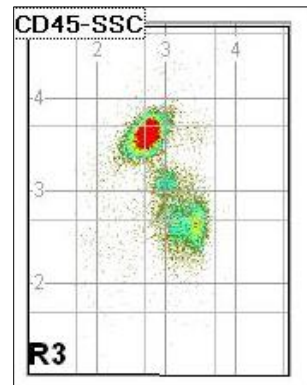


Figure 52: CD45-SSC clear separation (E)

Possible indications of insufficient sample preparation: CD4-SSC shows scattered CD4⁺ T lymphocytes. The sample may not have been mixed well.

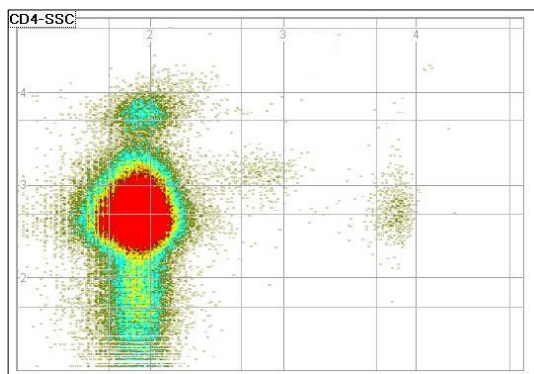


Figure 53: CD4-SSC unclear separation (F)

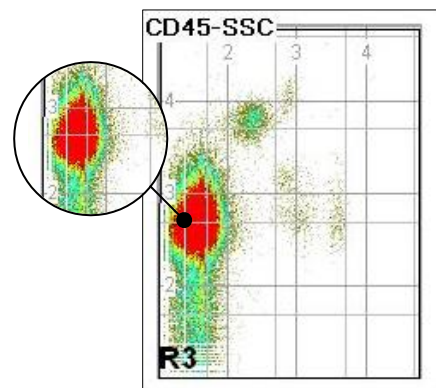


Figure 54: CD45-SSC unclear separation (F)

Irregular signal-to-noise ratio: The cluster suggests a poor signal-to-noise ratio.

6.7 Shutdown

6.7.1 Cleaning

Required material

Item	Quantity
Decontamination Solution	1.6 mL
Cleaning Solution	1.6 mL
Sheath Fluid	1.6 mL
Sample tube 3.5 mL	3 pieces
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL	3 pieces
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL	1 piece

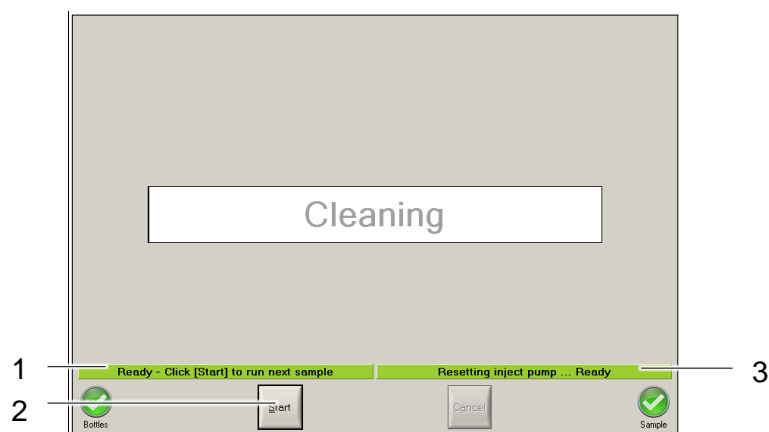


Figure 55: Cleaning

1	Device status bar	3	Progress status bar
2	[Start] button		

Procedure

1. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > Cleaning.scr* from the drop-down menu.
2. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Decontamination Solution gently into the sample port.
3. Press the [Start] button.
4. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.
5. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Cleaning Solution gently into the sample port.
6. Press the [Start] button.
7. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.
8. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Sheath Fluid gently into the sample port.
9. Press the [Start] button.
10. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.

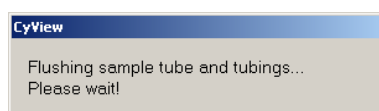


Figure 56: Flushing before Cleaning is done



Figure 57: Cleaning is done

6.7.2 Shutting down

NOTICE

Sample port electrodes

The sample port electrodes are most sensitive and are easily damageable. Damaged electrodes can affect detection of the measurement volume and thus lead to incorrect measurement results.

To protect the electrodes when the device is shut down:

- Plug a sample tube filled with 1.6 mL Decontamination Solution gently into the sample port to secure the electrodes.

Press the ON/OFF button once at the device front to initiate a shutdown. Wait for five more seconds after the display went black and no more sounds are emitted. The device is now shut down.

INFORMATION

For devices provided with less than 200 V, the ON/OFF button has to be pressed twice to shutdown the device.

6.7.3 Power off

NOTICE

White screen

For devices provided with less than 200 V, when the device is shut down, the display shows a white screen. If a white screen is shown, internal electronics may get damaged if the device is not powered off.

- Power the device off at the end of each working day by pressing the main power switch on the rear side of the instrument.
 - Only restart a device, if it was powered off on the rear side of the instrument.
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Only power off the device if it is shut down. Press the main power switch at the back of the device to power off the device.

6.7.4 Long-term shutdown and storage

In case the device will be idle for a time between two and six days, make sure to shut the device down and cover it with the protective cover. Weekly cleaning is required latest after 7 days.

It is not recommended to keep the system idle for longer than seven days. Keeping the system idle for longer than seven days without weekly cleaning may result in Sheath Fluid crystallization or other residual particles in the tubing and a compromised fluidic system.

Please contact your local Sysmex representative if you need to shutdown and store your device for a longer period of time.

7 Software

7.1 Overview

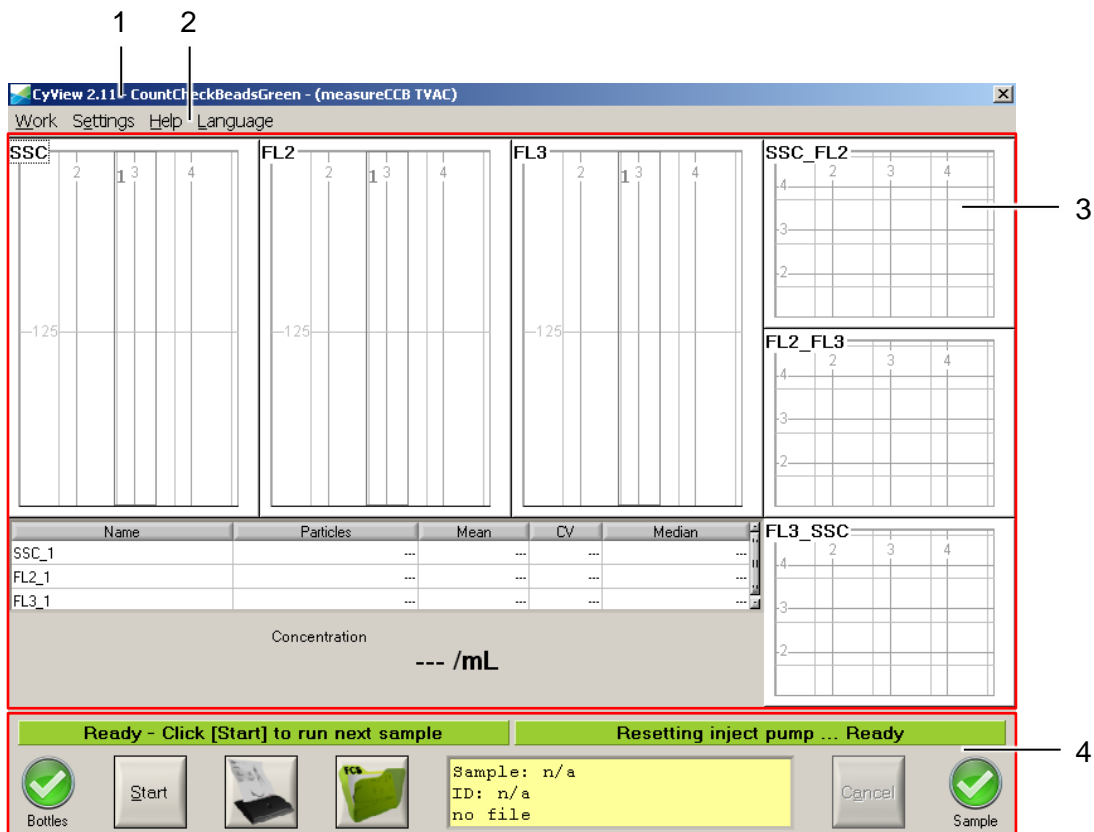


Figure 58: User interface screen (example)

1	Title bar	3	Main area with diagrams
2	Menu bar	4	Bottom menu

7.1.1 Title bar

The title bar contains the following information:



Figure 59: Title bar (example)

Software name and version number: *CyView 2.11*

Active function: *Cleaning*

Active configuration: *(measureClean)*

7.1.2 Menu bar




Figure 60: Menu bar

Table 9: Menu bar drop-down structure

Configuration	Work	Settings	Help	Language
Cleaning	Reload Data	Load Configuration	Program Help	English
			About	German
CD4	Reload Data	Load Configuration	Program Help	English
		Save Configuration	About	German
		Data Directory Settings		
CD4%	Reload Data	Load Configuration	Program Help	English
		Save Configuration	About	German
		Data Directory Settings		
Count Check Beads green	Reload Data	Load Configuration	Program Help	English
		Data Directory Settings	About	German
Emergency Cleaning	Reload Data	Load Configuration	Program Help	English
			About	German

Work

- *Reload Data*: Reload a saved data file including the layout (gates & scaling). It is possible to set gates anew and to save the data file again.

INFORMATION

If a reloaded data file is modified and saved again, the file name for the new file is the original name plus the extension “_mod”. A second modification will not occur (there will not be an extension “_mod_mod”).

- The modified file name is: date_time_file name_mod.fcs)
- Data files are saved as “.fcs” files (Flow cytometry standard)

Settings

- *Load Configuration*: A configuration is a file containing the layout (gates and scaling) as well as default software parameters (Gain and Lower-Level). The configuration enables the associated function.
- The following configurations are loadable:
 - o CD4 (CD4.scr)
 - o CD4% (CD4percent.scr)
 - o Cleaning (Cleaning.scr)
 - o Count Check Beads green (CountCheckBeadsGreen.scr)
 - o Emergency Cleaning (EmergencyCleaning.scr)
- *Save Configuration*: Secures changes to a configuration.
- *Data Directory Settings...*: Create an additional sub-directory automatically “Per Day”, “Per Week” or “Per month”. “None” is default.

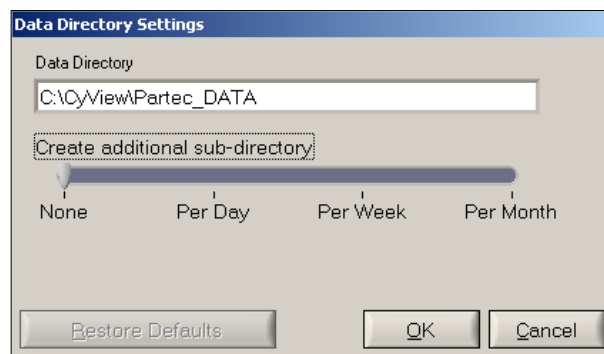


Figure 61: Data Directory Settings

Help

- *Program Help*: Opens the program help. The Instructions for Use of the device are displayed as “.pdf” file.
- *About*: Shows information about software and firmware identification.

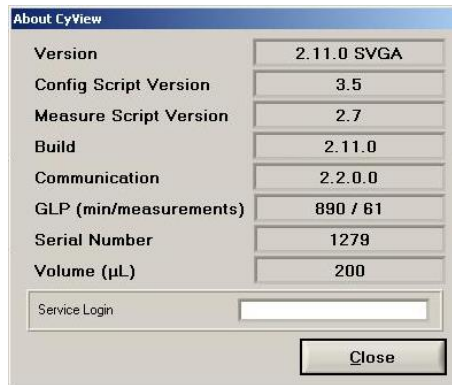


Figure 62: About CyView (exemplary)

Language

Choose one of these languages in this drop-down menu: *English* (default), *German*. This will change the interface language of the software.

7.1.3 Main area diagrams

CD4 histogram

The gate of a CD4 histogram is adjustable.

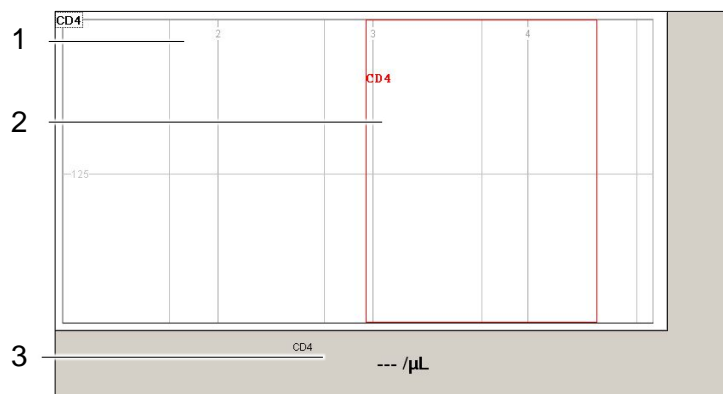


Figure 63: CD4 histogram (before measurement)

1	Histogram (CD4)	3	CD4 measurement result (cells/ μ L)
2	Gate "CD4"		

CD4% dot plot

Gates of a CD4% dot plot are adjustable.

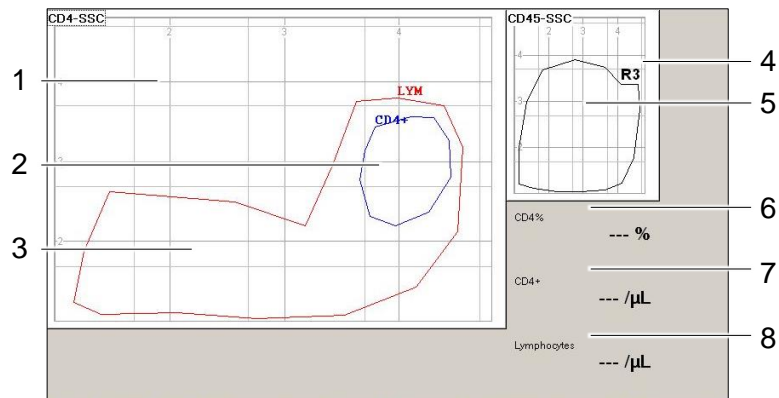


Figure 64: CD4% dot plot (before measurement)

1	Dot plot (CD4-SSC)	5	Gate "R3"
2	Gate "CD4+"	6	CD4% result (%)
3	Gate "LYM"	7	CD4 result (cells/ μ L)
4	Dot plot (CD45-SSC)	8	Lymphocytes result (cells/ μ L)

CCBg histograms and dot plots

Gates of CCBg histograms and dot plots are not adjustable.

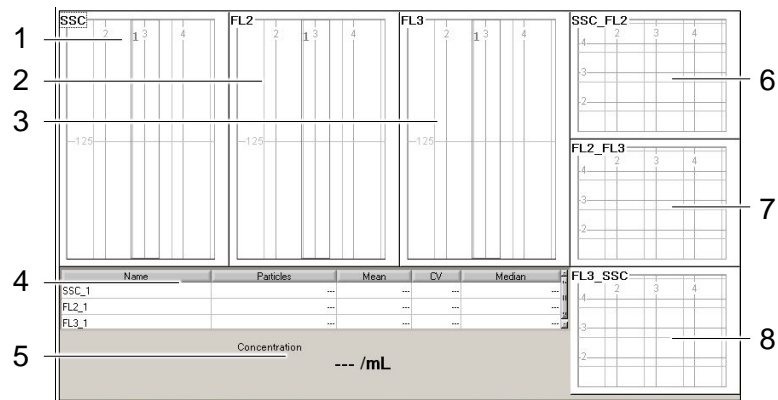


Figure 65: CCBg histograms and dot plots (before measurement)

1	Histogram (SSC)	5	Concentration (CCBg/mL)
2	Histogram (FL2)	6	Dot plot (SSC_FL2)
3	Histogram (FL3)	7	Dot plot (FL2_FL3)
4	Measurement results for SSC, FL2 and FL3	8	Dot plot (FL3_SSC)

7.1.4 Bottom menu

Bottom menu layout varies depending on the active configuration.

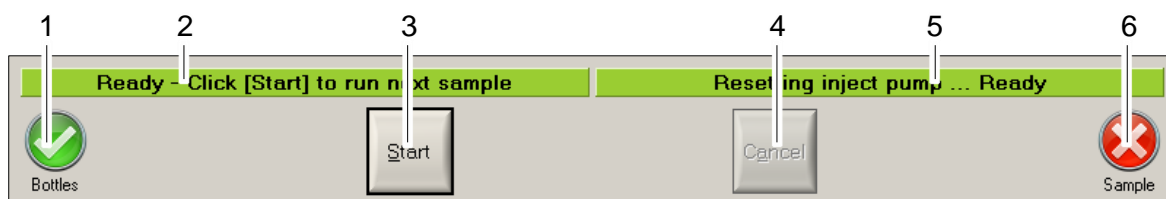


Figure 66: Cleaning configuration (before measurement)

1	Bottle status indicator	4	[Cancel] button
2	Device status bar	5	Progress status bar
3	[Start] button	6	Sample status indicator

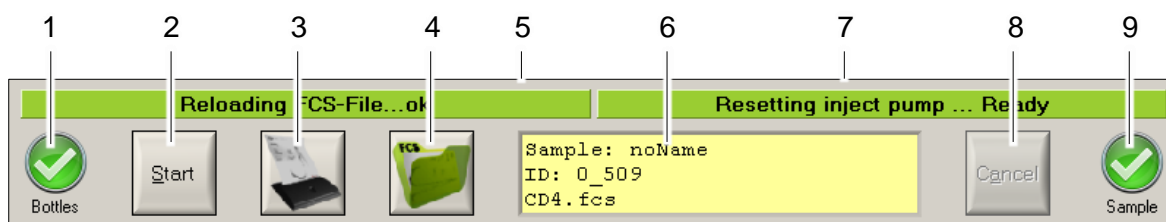


Figure 67: CD4, CD4% and Count Check Beads green configurations

1	Bottle status indicator	6	Sample identification
2	[Start] button	7	Progress status bar
3	[Print] button	8	[Cancel] button
4	[Save] button	9	Sample status indicator
5	Device status bar		

Both bottle status indicator and sample status indicator can show the “Ready” or “Error” symbol.

The “Ready” symbol at the bottle status indicator points out, that the contents of either bottles are ready for proceeding. The “Ready” symbol at the sample status indicator points out, that the content of the sample tube is ready for proceeding.

The “Error” symbol indicates always an error, e.g. a Sheath bottle connection is lost, Sheath bottle is empty, the waste bottle is full or the sample tube is empty and so on.

Additionally the bottle status indicator can show an “Attention” symbol. It indicates a filling status error of either bottle only during measurements, meaning the Sheath bottle is empty or the waste bottle is full.



Figure 68: "Ready" symbol



Figure 69: "Error" symbol



Figure 70: "Attention" symbol

Save



The acquired data, layout and software parameters can be saved by pressing the [Save] button.

The default name for a file is: *date_time_name.fcs*

INFORMATION

If a reloaded data file is modified and saved again, the file name for the new file is the original name plus the extension “_mod”. A second modification will not occur (there will not be an extension “_mod_mod”).

- The modified file name is: *date_time_file name_mod.fcs*
- Data files are saved as “.fcs” files (Flow cytometry standard)

Print



The numerical results along with the histograms and/or dot plots can be printed by pressing the [Print] button.

INFORMATION

The printer utilizes thermal paper. Thermal paper is not suited for long-term storage. For permanent or longterm storage make a copy on regular paper.

7.2 On-screen keyboard

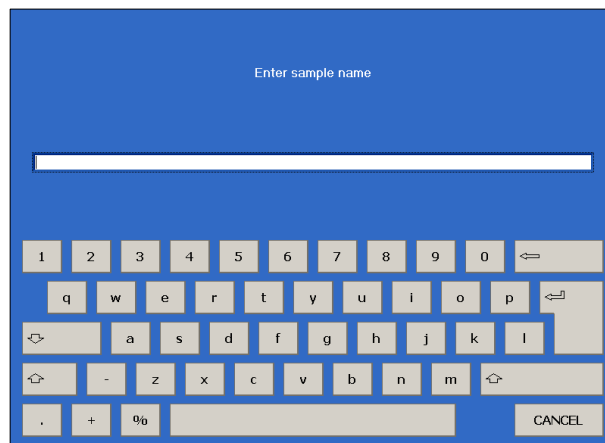


Figure 71: On-screen keyboard (before measurement)

If data input is necessary (e.g. starting a measurement), an on-screen keyboard opens automatically on the screen.

Confirm input by pressing the [Enter] button. After confirmation, the software keyboard closes automatically.

7.3 Gates

Each configuration has one or more predefined gates to analyse a sample.

A gate is used to selectively visualize cells of interest while eliminating results from unwanted particles (e.g. debris). Gates can be adjusted but never deleted.

The gate type in a histogram is called range. Range is the space between the two borders.

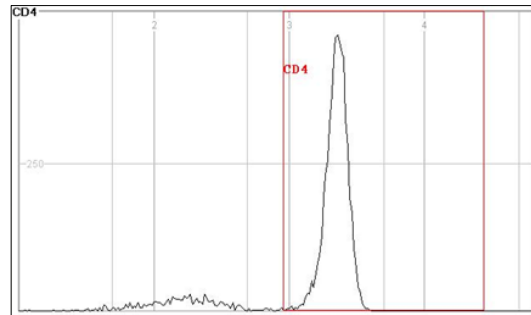


Figure 72: Histogram (example)

The gate type in a dot plot is called polygon. A polygon can have between 3 and 21 points for its border.

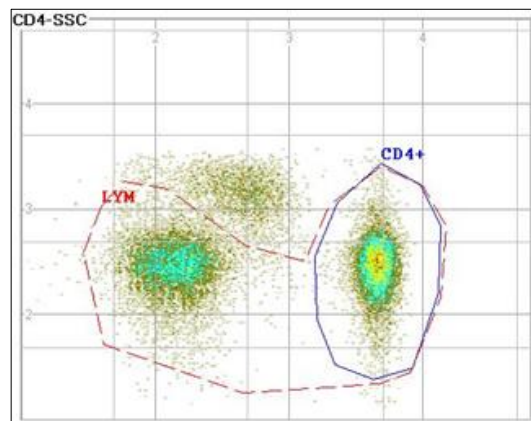


Figure 73: Dot plot (example)


Table 10: Configurations, gates and gated signals

Configuration	Gate type	Gate name	Gated signals
CountCheckBeadGreen.scr	Range	SSC_1	CCBg
	Range	FL2_1	CCBg
	Range	FL3_1	CCBg
CD4.scr	Range	CD4	CD4 ⁺ T cell
CD4percent.scr	Polygon	R3	Lymphocytes and monocytes
	Polygon	CD4+	CD4 ⁺ T cell
	Polygon	LYM	CD4 ⁺ T cell CD4 ⁻ lymphocytes

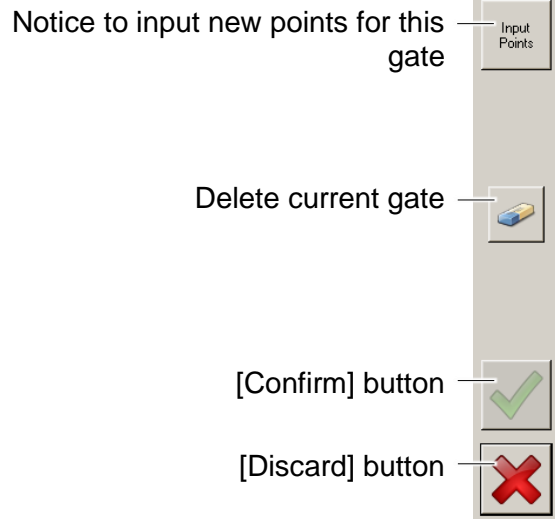
INFORMATION

The configuration "CD4percent.scr" has an active "R3" gate. That means only displayed signals which are inside the "R3" gate will be displayed in the "CD4-SSC" dot plot and the "CD45" histogram.

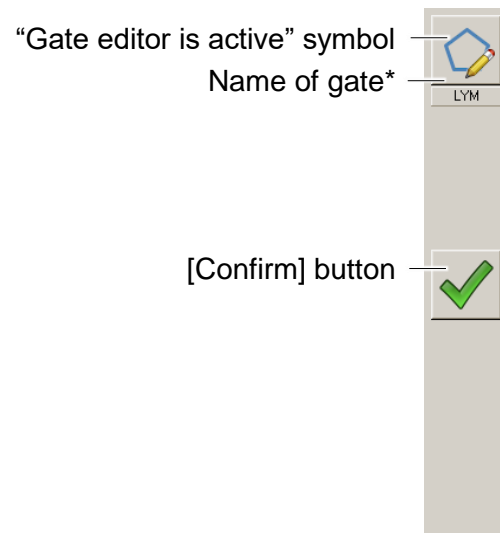
Gate editing

Click into the respective gate to change the line of the gate to dashes. On the right side of the diagram click the  [Confirm] button to initiate the Gate editor.

Gate editor



Gate editor confirmation



*Gate names for CD4 measurement: "CD4"

*Gate names for CD4% measurement: "LYM", "CD4+", "R3"

8 Maintenance

This section describes maintenance activities that you need to perform at specified intervals to ensure proper instrument function.

In case of questions about the device or any service needs, or if the device fails to operate properly, please contact your local Sysmex representative. Do not attempt to repair the device yourself.

8.1 Frequency of maintenance tasks

Table 11: Frequency of maintenance tasks

Activity	Daily	Weekly	Every 3 months	Every 12 months	As-needed
Start-up cleaning	x				
Shutdown cleaning	x				
Shutdown	x				
Empty liquid waste	x				
Empty and refill Sheath	x				
Weekly cleaning		x			
Cleaning device exterior		x			
Inline filter replacement			x		
Printer paper refilling					x
Emergency cleaning					x
Preventive maintenance				x	

8.2 Daily maintenance

8.2.1 Start-up cleaning

Start-up cleaning is part of daily start-up of the device. Please refer to section 6.3.2 Cleaning for detailed information.

8.2.2 Shutdown cleaning and shutdown

Shutdown cleaning is performed as part of the shutdown process. Please refer to section 6.7.1 Cleaning for detailed information.

In case the device will be idle for a time between two and six days, make sure to shut the device down and cover it with the protective cover. Weekly cleaning is required latest after 7 days.

Please contact your local Sysmex representative if you need to shutdown and store your device for a longer period of time.

8.2.3 Empty liquid waste

Perform this procedure at the end of each working day. Make sure the device is switched off and no vacuum is applied to the device and its components.

Before emptying the waste bottle, the content of the bottle needs to be treated with 0.5 percent hypochlorite solution to reduce the protein content in the waste fluid. Use an amount of hypochlorite solution of about 10% of the waste bottle content (example: 800 mL content = 80 mL hypochlorite solution) and follow the steps below.

Required material

Item	Quantity
Hypochlorite solution (0.5%)	10% of waste bottle content
Disinfective agent (alcohol-free, free of organic solvents)	as needed
Clean cloth	1 piece

Prerequisite

- Device is switched off
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment



WARNING

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Dispose of all materials considered potentially infectious in accordance with local regulations.

INFORMATION

When screwing or unscrewing a bottle and its respective cap, it is advantageous to twist the bottle. The tubing must stay unbent.

Procedure

1. Unscrew the waste bottle.
2. Secure cap and tubing on a clean surface in a stable manner.
3. Add a sufficient amount of Hypochlorite solution (10% of waste volume) to the waste bottle.
4. Let bottle contents incubate for 15 minutes.
5. Dispose of liquid waste in accordance with local regulations.
6. Screw down the cap by turning the bottle. Do not twist the tubing and the sensor cable. Close the bottle tightly.
7. Wipe bottle exterior and working surface with a clean cloth moistened with disinfective agent.
8. Wipe bottle with clean cloth.
9. Dispose of cloth.

8.2.4 Empty and refill Sheath Fluid

Perform this procedure at the beginning of a new working day directly before starting to use the device.

INFORMATION

When screwing or unscrewing a bottle and its respective cap, it is advantageous to twist the bottle. The tubing must stay unbent.

Required material

Item	Quantity
Sheath Fluid	max. 900 mL
Clean cloth	1 piece

Prerequisite

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment

Procedure

1. Unscrew the Sheath bottle.
2. Pull the tubing including the inline filter out of the Sheath bottle.
3. Put cap and tubing including the inline filter on a clean surface in a stable manner.
4. Dispose of Sheath Fluid in accordance with local regulations.
5. Wipe bottle with clean cloth.
6. Dispose of cloth.
7. Fill the bottle with up to 900 mL of Sheath Fluid.
8. Insert the tubing including the inline filter into the bottle.
9. Move the cap gently up and down several times, while keeping the inline filter in Sheath Fluid to remove air bubbles from the inline filter.
10. Screw down the cap by turning the bottle. Do not twist the tubing and/or the sensor cable.

8.3 Weekly maintenance

8.3.1 Weekly cleaning

Perform this cleaning procedure once a week to clean the device's sample pathways and to prevent build-up of proteins and contaminants in the system and fluidics bottles.

Required material

Item	Quantity
Cleaning Solution	1.6 mL
Decontamination Solution	1.6 mL
Sheath Fluid	1.6 mL
Sample tube 3.5 mL	3 pieces
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL	3 pieces
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL	1 piece

Prerequisite

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment

Procedure

1. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > EmergencyCleaning.scr* from the drop-down menu.
2. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Decontamination Solution gently into the sample port.
3. Press the [*Start*] button.
4. Wait until message "*Cleaning ...done*" and "*Setting Inject pump...Ready*" is displayed in the status bars.
This step will take 15 minutes to complete. The sample status indicator shows the "Error" symbol.
5. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > Cleaning.scr* from the drop-down menu.
6. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Cleaning Solution gently into the sample port.
7. Press the [*Start*] button.

8. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.
9. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Sheath Fluid gently into the sample port.
10. Press the [*Start*] button.
11. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.

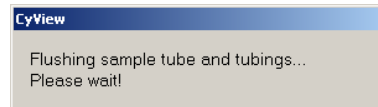


Figure 74: Flushing before Cleaning is done



Figure 75: Cleaning is done

8.3.2 Cleaning the device exterior

Perform this procedure at least once a week to ensure smooth operation.



WARNING

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Dispose of all materials considered potentially infectious in accordance with local regulations.

NOTICE

Sample port electrodes

The sample port electrodes are most sensitive and are easily damageable. Damaged electrodes can affect detection of the measurement volume and thus lead to incorrect measurement results.

- Only authorised service personnel is allowed to clean the sample port and its components.
- Do not touch the sample port electrodes.

NOTICE

Harmful substances

Using unsuitable agents for cleaning and disinfection may result in damages to the surfaces of the device and the touchscreen.

- Always use alcohol-free cleaning agents for cleaning device surfaces.
- Do not use abrasive cleaners.

Required material

Item	Quantity
Cleaning agent (alcohol-free, free of organic solvents)	as needed
Disinfective agent (alcohol-free, free of organic solvents)	as needed
Screen cleaner	as needed
Soft, lint-free cloth	4 pieces

Prerequisite

- Device is switched off
- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment

Procedure

To clean the touchscreen:

1. Moisten a fresh lint-free cloth with screen cleaner.
2. Wipe the touchscreen gently until its surface is clean.

To clean the device exterior:

3. Moisten a fresh lint-free cloth with cleaning agent.
4. Thoroughly wipe the exterior of the device as required.

In case of spots and stains of biohazardous substances on the housing or on components:

5. Moisten a fresh lint-free cloth with disinfective agent.
6. Thoroughly wipe the affected area.
7. Wipe the area with a dry clean cloth.

Dispose of cloths after cleaning is done.

8.4 Quarterly maintenance

8.4.1 Inline filter renewal



WARNING

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
 - Dispose of all materials considered potentially infectious in accordance with local regulations.
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Required material

Item	Quantity
Inline filter	1 piece

Prerequisite

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment

Procedure

1. Unscrew the Sheath bottle.
2. Pull the tubing, including the inline filter, out of the Sheath bottle.
3. Put cap and tubing, including the inline filter, on a clean surface in a stable manner.
4. Pull the used inline filter off the tubing (do not pull the tubing off the cap).
5. Dispose of the used inline filter.
6. Attach a new inline filter to the tubing.
7. Insert the tubing, including the inline filter, into the Sheath bottle.
8. Move the cap gently up and down several times while keeping the inline filter covered in Sheath Fluid to remove air bubbles from the inline filter.
9. Screw down the cap by turning the bottle. Do not twist the tubing and the sensor cable.
10. Dispose the used inline filter in accordance with applicable local regulations.

8.5 As-needed maintenance

8.5.1 Emergency cleaning

Perform this cleaning procedure when you are instructed to do so as part of a troubleshooting procedure, e. g. when internal quality control is out of range.



WARNING

Toxic

Acidification of Hypochlorite generates poisonous hypochlorous acid. Contact with hypochlorous acid causes poisoning and irritates body organs.

- Never let Hypochlorite Solution get in contact with acids, like acetic acid or other acidic cleaning agents.
 - Always rinse materials treated with Hypochlorite Solution with neutral fluids after use.
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NOTICE

Aggressive chemical

Hypochlorite Solution can damage the tubings of the instrument.

- Do not let hypochlorite stay in contact with the tubing for longer than 30 minutes.
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Required material

Item	Quantity
Cleaning Solution	1.6 mL
Decontamination Solution	1.6 mL
Sheath Fluid	1.6 mL
Hypochlorite Solution	1.6 mL
Sample tube 3.5 mL	4 pieces
Pipette tips 50-1000 µL	4 pieces
Pipette variable 100-1000 µL	1 piece

Prerequisite

- Wear appropriate personal protective equipment

Procedure

1. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > EmergencyCleaning.scr* from the drop-down menu.
2. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Hypochlorite Solution gently into the sample port.
3. Press the [Start] button.
4. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
This step will take 15 minutes to complete. The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.
5. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Decontamination Solution gently into the sample port.
6. Press the [Start] button.
7. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
This step will take 15 minutes to complete. The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.
8. Select *Settings > Load Configuration > Cleaning.scr* from the drop-down menu.
9. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Cleaning Solution gently into the sample port.
10. Press the [Start] button.
11. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.
12. Plug a sample tube with 1.6 mL Sheath Fluid gently into the sample port.
13. Press the [Start] button.
14. Wait until message “*Cleaning ...done*” and “*Setting Inject pump...Ready*” is displayed in the status bars.
The sample status indicator shows the “Error” symbol.

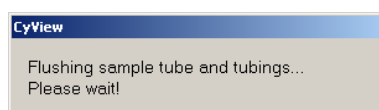


Figure 76: Flushing before Cleaning is done



Figure 77: Cleaning is done

8.5.2 Printer paper renewal

INFORMATION

If the paper tray cover is not closed correctly but the [Print] button is pushed, the print job is queued. After closing the cover correctly, all print jobs in the queue will be processed.

Required material

Item	Quantity
Thermal printer paper roll	1 piece

Procedure

1. Open paper tray cover by pulling the latch.
2. Remove the empty paper roll from the paper tray.
3. Unwind about 3 cm of the paper roll and insert the roll into the printer as the picture below suggests.
4. Close the paper tray cover. There should be an audible click. The unrolled part of the paper must stick out when closing the cover.
5. Press the Feed button or the Test print button and check function.
If the status LED is lit and paper is fed, the paper roll was inserted correctly.
If the status LED blinks and no paper is fed, readjust the paper roll.



Figure 78: Correctly inserted printer paper

8.6 Preventive maintenance

Preventive maintenance is part of the technical service responsibilities and must only be performed by authorised service personnel of Sysmex. To ensure a secure and adequate functional condition of your device, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

9 Troubleshooting

9.1 Fault, cause and remedy

The information in this section is designed to help you troubleshoot certain issues or conditions that may arise during operation of your device. If the fault you are experiencing is not described or the remedy could not solve your problem, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

If access to CyView™ should be restored, please shut down the device by pushing the ON/OFF button and start it again.

Table 12: Fault, cause and remedy

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
Internal Quality Check out of the +/-10% range	Inhomogeneous CCBg suspension	Shake CCBg bottle thoroughly for 15 seconds and repeat measurement
		Check if the CCBg are deteriorated
	Air bubbles	Please see chapter 0
		Internal Quality Check out of range
		Perform Emergency Cleaning
	Disturbed flow in flow cuvette	Perform Emergency Cleaning
Level counting phase sometimes takes up to 4 min even with high sample speed and sample flow is very slow or is not running	Pressure loss	Make sure the waste bottle is closed properly and the bottle does not leak
	Disturbed flow in flow cuvette	Perform Emergency Cleaning
The measurement is finished in less than 2 minutes even with low sample speed	Sheath Fluid flow too low	Change the inline filter
		Check if tubing is blocked or bent

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Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
		Check if external Sheath Fluid tubing is bent or blocked
The measurement is finished in less than 2 minutes even with low sample speed	Insufficient sample preparation	Prepare new sample
	Poor quality of Sheath Fluid (turbidity or visible contamination)	Change Sheath Fluid
	Blocked inline filter	Change inline filter
A very broad and fast rising peak/cluster is visible	Insufficient sample preparation	Prepare new sample
	Poor quality of Sheath Fluid (turbidity or visible contamination)	Change Sheath Fluid
	Blocked inline filter	Change inline filter
Sample run does not start after pressing the [Start] button	Sample fluid level not detected	Check the sample tube for the correct volume
No histogram or dot plot visible during the measure phase	Wrong configuration	Load correct configuration
	Insufficient sample preparation	Prepare new sample
	Disturbed flow in flow cuvette	Perform Emergency Cleaning
Unclear separation between the specific peak/cell cluster and the background signals	Abnormal blood quality	Perform Internal Quality Check
	Insufficient sample preparation	Prepare new sample
	Contaminated fluid or components	Perform Internal Quality Check
		Make sure the expiry date of the reagents used is not exceeded.
	Change Sheath Fluid	
Blocked inline filter	Change inline filter	

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
	Poor quality of anticoagulant	Make sure the recommended anticoagulant (EDTA) was used for sample collection
	Blood sample too old	The blood sample should be fresh, i.e. not more than six hours should have elapsed between sample collection and analysis
The device emits loud noise	Waste bottle leaks	Check waste bottle for cracks Check if the waste bottle cap is screwed down correctly
	Air tubing leaks	Check external air tubing
Very broad peaks and poor separation between the peaks/cell clusters	Poor sample quality or poor sample preparation	Check sample integrity (blood collection system, storage, preparation procedure) Perform Internal Quality Check
	Poor reagent quality	Make sure the expiry date of the reagents used is not exceeded.
	Disturbed flow in flow cuvette	Perform Emergency Cleaning
Instrument off after sudden power cut while sample is being measured	Cable unplugged / Power source cut off	Switch on and immediately start an internal cleaning cycle
Message “ <i>Check bottles</i> ”	Sheath bottle empty and/or waste bottle full	Refill Sheath bottle and/or empty waste bottle after measurement
	Sheath and/or waste bottle caps and connections are loose	Make sure bottle caps are screwed on tightly. Make sure tubing and sensor cable connections are properly installed.
Message “ <i>Inject pump device error</i> ”	Undefined communication status between controller card and syringe pump	Reload configuration

Fault	Possible cause	Remedy
		Restart device
Message " <i>The available disk space is lower than 600 MB.</i> "	The remaining disk space is 600 MB or lower. The warning is constantly shown, as long as < 600MB remain.	Upon reaching 200 MB remaining disk space, no further data files can be saved. For data transfer please contact your local Sysmex representative.
Message " <i>Not enough disk space available to store measurement data files.</i> "	The remaining disk space is 200 MB or lower. No further data files can be stored.	Please contact your local Sysmex representative
Boot error message: " <i>Windows could not start because the following file is missing or corrupt: WINDOWS\SYSTEM32\ CONFIG\SYSTEM'</i> "	Corrupt installation	Please contact your local Sysmex representative
True Volumetric Absolute Counting failed	Measured sample volume incorrect	Repeat measurement If this failure occurs three times in a row or more than every 4 th measurement, please contact your local Sysmex representative.
Status LED of thermal printer blinks	Thermal printer paper is empty / not inserted	Insert new thermal printer paper
	Thermal printer paper inserted incorrectly	Readjust thermal printer paper
	Thermal printer is not closed correctly	Close the thermal printer
Status LED of thermal printer is static	Printout is empty	Readjust thermal printer paper
		Use other thermal printer paper

9.2 Internal Quality Check out of range

Description

The result of the Count Check Beads green (CCBg) measurement is out of the +/- 10% range of the lot-specific concentration stated on the CCBg bottle label.

Remedy

Proceed according to the following sections depending on the fault details.

If the following procedures do not eliminate the fault, perform emergency cleaning procedure as described in section "8.5.1 Emergency cleaning".

9.2.1 Narrow and tall peaks visible within the gate

Narrow and tall peak visible within the gate. Check that the displayed CV% values are within the following limits:

SSC \leq 6%

FL2 \leq 4%

FL3 \leq 4%

Remedy

1. Shake the dissolved CCBg bottle thoroughly for 20 seconds.
2. Repeat measurement.

9.2.2 Wide not tall peaks

The peak is wide not tall. Check that the displayed CV% values are within the following limits:

SSC \leq 6%

FL2 \leq 4%

FL3 \leq 4%

Remedy

1. Perform emergency cleaning procedure.
2. Perform Internal Quality Check with CCBg.

9.2.3 Peaks not within the gate

The peak is not within the gate "FL2_1".

Remedy

Please contact your local Sysmex representative.

10 Disposal



WARNING

Hazardous waste

Liquid waste from the device may contain hazardous substances.

- Read and understand product-specific Safety Data Sheets (SDSs) and safety precautions provided by the manufacturers of chemical substances used before disposing chemical waste.
- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Dispose of waste in accordance with applicable local regulations.



WARNING

Risk of infection

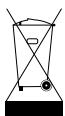
All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials have the potential to transmit infections.

- Always wear appropriate personal protective equipment.
- Keep your working area clean and follow procedures for weekly cleaning and disinfection described in this manual.
- Dispose of all materials in accordance with applicable local regulations.

10.1 Disposal of device

Please contact your local Sysmex representative if you plan to decommission the device. Only authorised service personnel is allowed to decommission the device.

For disposal of the device, follow applicable local regulations. The device must be considered potentially infectious and therefore needs to be specially treated before disposal.



Electrical and electronic equipment must be disposed of separately from municipal waste.

10.2 Disposal of consumables and reagents

Generally, all components and fluids must be disposed of in accordance with local regulations and according to procedures established for your laboratory.

All human-sourced materials and any objects coming into contact with those materials must be considered potentially infectious. This includes disposable accessories like sample tubes, disposable gloves and pipette tips.

Biohazardous materials may require special handling, and disposal limitations may apply. Follow applicable local regulations.

10.3 Disposal of liquid waste

Liquid waste from the device may contain hazardous substances and must be considered potentially infectious. Liquid waste requires special treatment to reduce protein residuals before disposal. Please follow instructions in section “8.2.3 Empty liquid waste” as well as applicable local regulations.

11 Technical data

11.1 Environmental conditions

INFORMATION

Only use the device indoors.

Item	Specification
Temperature	Transport & Storage: 5 - 50 °C Operation: 15 - 30 °C
Relative humidity	20% - 85% relative, non-condensing
Other	Clinical environment, no vibrations, no direct sunlight, no direct heat, no smoke, no dust
Max. altitude	2000 m above MSL
Minimum work space	Height: 700 mm Width: 800 mm Depth: 800 mm
Ventilation space behind device	Back: 200 mm

11.2 Device

NOTICE

EMC class A

This device is not intended to be used in residential areas and can not ensure adequate protection of radio reception in such environments.

- Use the device according to the environmental conditions stated in chapter 11.1 Environmental conditions.

Item	Specification
GMDN classification	Flow Cytometer

Item	Specification
EMC device classification	DIN EN 55011 (VDE 0875-):2018-05; FCC CFR 47 part 18 subpart C
Dimensions	Width: 325 mm Depth: 265 mm Height: 330 mm
Weight	11.5 kg
Voltage	100 – 240 V \pm 10 %
Frequency	50/60 Hz
Current consumption	max. 0.3 A 0.6 A
Power consumption	max. 100 VA
Mains fuse	Thermal fuse T 3.15 A / 250 V, EN 60127-2
Installation / overvoltage category	2 / II
Means of protection (Protection class)	Class I (PE connected)
Pollution degree	2
Degree of protection (according to IEC 60529)	IP 20
Laser class	Closed housing: Laser class 1 Open housing and no protection: Laser class IIIb, authorised service personnel only
Noise level	\leq 66 dBA
Heat dissipation	max. 342 BTU/h
Instrument check	Count Check Beads green
Setup time	Max. 5 minutes
Particle size range	50 μ m
Maximum data acquisition speed	15,000 events/s

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Item	Specification
Acquisition stop time	Volume-based
Trigger sensors	FL2 (for CD4 absolute and CCBg measurement) FL3 (for CD4% measurement)
Display	Touch display

11.3 Optics

Item	Specification
Laser	532 nm, 30 mW (-12 mW / +20 mW)
Parameters detected	3 independent optical parameters: SSC, FL2, FL3
Filters	Standard setup and filters for SSC, FL2 and FL3
Excitation optics	15 µm x 100 µm at 532 nm, elliptical

11.4 Fluidics

Item	Specification
Vacuum	20 kPa below atmospheric pressure
Vacuum application while device is operational	Internal fluidic system, Waste tubing, Air tubing, Waste bottle
Flow Cuvette	Synthetic quartz flow cuvette with centric flow channel (capillary diameter 350 x 250 µm) for laminar sample transport with Sheath Fluid
Sample Delivery	Computer controlled precision syringe pump for contamination-free sample transport. Built-in vacuum pump (200 mbar) for fluid and sample transport.
Sampling Volume	Continuous up to 1600 µL Min. 840 µL (TVAC).
Bottle volume	Waste: 1 L Sheath: 1 L

Item	Specification
Sheath consumption	per start-up cleaning: 31 mL
	per priming: 46 mL
	per sample measurement: 28 mL
	per CCBg measurement: 28 mL
	per shutdown cleaning: 38 mL
	per weekly cleaning: 38 mL

11.5 Computer unit

Item	Specification
Electronics	Real-time acquisition Signal processing amplifiers
Computer	Built-in computer Intel® Celeron® processor 8.4" TFT LCD colour touch screen (SVGA) Thermal printer (built-in)
Interfaces	1x USB 2.0 1x USB 3.0 2 x Ethernet 1 x RS 232/422/485 1x VGA

11.6 Software

Item	Specification
Software	Windows® software FCS standard list mode format report (automatic calculation) FCS 3.0
Adjusting Gates	Online and offline adjustment Gate position stored within “.fcs” file
Configuration	Saves layout of the measurement (regions, scaling), gain and speed values for default
Report	Automatic calculation of CD4 ⁺ and CD4% Internal measurement data storage Printed result output
Max. data file capacity	10000

12 Performance data

NOTICE

Dependency on reagent performance

The performance is heavily dependent on the performance of the reagents used with the device.

- Read the associated labelling carefully before using the device. This includes all provided labelling of reagents, disposables and consumables used with this device.
 - For analytical and clinical performance parameter please refer to the Instructions for Use of the CD4 and CD4% easy count kit.
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12.1 Carryover

Instrument carryover is $\leq 2\%$.

13 Annex

13.1 Abbreviations

Abbreviation	Explanation
.fcs	Flow cytometry standard (file extension)
µL	Measure of volume (Microliter)
µm	Measure of length (Micrometer)
A	Measure of current (Ampere)
AC	Alternating current
BTU/h	Measure of heat (British heat unit per hour)
CCBg	Count Check Beads green
CD	Cluster of differentiation (T-cell surface structure)
dBA	Measure of level (Decibel, a-weighted)
EMC	Electromagnetic compatibility
FL	Fluorescent light
GMDN	Global Medical Device Nomenclature
HIV	Human immunodeficiency virus
Hz	Unit of frequency (Hertz)
IFU	Instructions for Use
IP	Code (International Protection)
kg	Measure of weight (Kilogram)
kPa	Measure of pressure (Kilopascal)
L	Measure of volume (Liter, sometimes as "L")
LoD	Limit of detection
mAb	Monoclonal antibody
max.	Maximum / maximal
min.	Minimum / minimal

Abbreviation	Explanation
mL	Measure of volume (Milliliter)
mm	Measure of length (Millimeter)
MSL	Mean sea level
mW	Measure of power (Milliwatt)
nm	Measure of length (Nanometer)
PMT	Photomultiplier tube
PPE	Personal protective equipment
SSC	Side scatter
TFT LCD	Thin-film-transistor liquid-crystal display
ToC	Table of contents
ToF	Table of figures
TVAC	True Volumetric Absolute Counting
V	Measure of voltage (Volt)

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2.4 Cleaning solution IFU (product code 04-4017)

1 Identification of the IVD reagent

<i>Name</i>	Cleaning Solution
<i>Ref. No.</i>	04-4017
<i>UDI-DI</i>	04250878904795
<i>Content</i>	250 mL, ready to use

2 Intended purpose

IVD For In Vitro Diagnostic Use.

Cleaning Solution is intended to clean the sample pathway of Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers. Cleaning Solution is ready to use and will be fed to the instrument via sample port manually or via automated loading system. Cleaning Solution is a general laboratory accessory solution and does not provide any diagnostic information.

Handling with Cleaning Solution is restricted to lab technicians and trained FCM operators.

3 Principle of the procedure

The product, as an accessory solution for flow cytometry, is used for cleaning the sample pathway of Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers.

For further information refer to the Instructions for Use of the flow cytometer.

4 Storage and shelf life

4.1 Unopened product

Store Cleaning Solution at 18-30 °C, do not freeze or expose to elevated temperatures. Under these storage conditions the reagent will be stable until the expiration date printed on its label. Do not use the reagent beyond its shelf life.

4.2 Product after first opening

The shelf life after first opening is the same as the shelf life for unopened reagent if stored at stated storage conditions and used according to the Instructions for Use (IFU).

5 Components

Cleaning Solution is an aqueous solution without hazardous components. For further information refer to the Safety Data Sheet.

6 Evidence of deterioration

Cleaning Solution is a clear green liquid. Do not use Cleaning Solution after appearance of any kind of turbidity or contamination.

For questions regarding the performance or quality of the product received, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device shall be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the Member State in which the user is located.

7 Precaution and warnings

Appropriate safety precautions and handling procedures must be applied in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for a complete list of warnings and precautions.

8 Additional required equipment

<i>Instrument:</i>	Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometer, such as the CyFlow™ Counter (Ref. No. CY-S-3023) For further information, please refer to the instructions for use (IFU) of the flow cytometer.
<i>Laboratory equipment:</i>	A calibrated pipette and pipette tips Sample tube(s) compliant with the flow cytometer Personal protective equipment

9 Disposal

Disposal procedure should meet requirements of applicable local regulations.










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11 Symbols

 Reference number	 Manufacturer	 Batch code
 Temperature limit	 In vitro diagnostic medical device	 Use-by date
 Consult instructions for use	 CE mark	 Unique device identifier

12 Date of issue or revision

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Rev. date: 15-12-2021
Doc. No.: 04-4017 IFU GB EN

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2.5 Count check beads green IFU (product code 05-4026)

1 Identification of the IVD reagent

<i>Name</i>	Count Check Beads green
<i>Ref. No.</i>	05-4026
<i>UDI-DI</i>	04250878904825
<i>Content</i>	2 x 25 mL, ready to use

2 Intended Purpose

IVD For In Vitro Diagnostic Use.

Count Check Beads green is a dedicated concentrated solution of suitable beads, to be used for a quantitative quality control measurement. It is recommended for the daily quality control of Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers, equipped with green excitation light source. It is ready to use and will be fed to the instrument via sample port manually or via automated loading system. Count Check Beads green is a control material and does not provide any diagnostic information.

Handling with Count Check Beads green is restricted to lab technicians and trained FCM operators.

3 Principle of the procedure

Count Check Beads green, as a control material, is used for a quantitative quality control measurement of Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers by enumeration of beads with a dedicated concentration within the Count Check Beads green solution. Shake the Count Check Beads green bottle thoroughly for 15 seconds prior use.

For further information refer to the Instructions for Use of the flow cytometer.

4 Storage and shelf life

4.1 Unopened product

Store the reagent at 2-8 °C in the dark. Do not freeze or expose the reagents to elevated temperatures and keep it away from direct sunlight. Under these conditions the reagent will be stable until the expiration date printed on its label. Do not use the reagent beyond its shelf life.

4.2 Product after first opening

The shelf life after first opening is the same as the shelf life for unopened reagent if stored at stated storage conditions and used according to the Instructions for Use (IFU).

5 Components

Count Check Beads green are beads in an aqueous solution.

6 Evidence of deterioration

Count Check Beads green are a clear liquid. Do not use Count Check Beads green after appearance of any kind of turbidity or contamination.

For questions regarding the performance or quality of the product received, please contact your local Sysmex Representative.

Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device shall be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the Member State in which the user is located.

7 Precautions and warnings

Appropriate safety precautions and handling procedures must be applied in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for a complete list of warnings and precautions.

8 Additional required equipment

Instrument: Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometer, such as the CyFlow™ Counter (Ref. No. CY-S-3023)
 For further information, please refer to the instructions for use (IFU) of the flow cytometer.

Laboratory equipment: A calibrated pipette and pipette tips
 Sample tube(s) compliant to the flow cytometer
 Personal protective equipment

9 Disposal

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







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11 Symbols

 Reference number	 Manufacturer	 Batch code
 Temperature limit	 In vitro diagnostic medical device	 Use-by date
 Consult instructions for use	 CE mark	 Unique device identifier
 Keep away from sunlight	 Concentration of beads	 Fragile, handle with care

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2.6 Decontamination solution IFU (product code 04-4018)

1 Identification of the IVD reagent

<i>Name</i>	Decontamination Solution
<i>Ref. No.</i>	04-4018
<i>UDI-DI</i>	04250878904801
<i>Content</i>	250 mL, ready to use

2 Intended purpose

IVD For In Vitro Diagnostic Use.

Decontamination Solution is a solution to clean sample pathways of Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers by reducing residual protein. It is ready to use and will be fed to the instrument via sample port manually or via automated loading system. Decontamination Solution is a general laboratory accessory solution and does not provide any diagnostic information.

Handling with Decontamination Solution is restricted to lab technicians and trained FCM operators.

3 Principle of the procedure

The product, as an accessory solution for flow cytometry, is used for cleaning the sample pathway of Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers by enzymatic reduction of proteins.

For further information refer to the Instructions for Use of the flow cytometer.

4 Storage and shelf life

4.1 Unopened product

Store Decontamination Solution at 18-30 °C, do not freeze or expose to elevated temperatures. Under these storage conditions the reagent will be stable until the expiration date printed on its label. Do not use the reagent beyond its shelf life.

4.2 Product after first opening

The shelf life after first opening is the same as the shelf life for unopened reagent if stored at stated storage conditions and used according to the Instructions for Use (IFU).

5 Components

Decontamination Solution is an aqueous solution without hazardous components. For further information refer to the Safety Data Sheet.

6 Evidence of deterioration

Decontamination Solution is a clear violet liquid. Do not use Decontamination Solution after appearance of any kind of turbidity or contamination.

For questions regarding the performance or quality of the product received, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device shall be reported to the manufacturer and the component authority of the Member State in which the user is located.

7 Precaution and warnings

Appropriate safety precautions and handling procedures must be applied in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for a complete list of warnings and precautions.

8 Additional required equipment

- Instrument:* Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometer, such as the CyFlow™ Counter (Ref. No. CY-S-3023)
For further information, please refer to the instructions for use (IFU) of the flow cytometer.
- Laboratory equipment:* A calibrated pipette and pipette tips
Sample tube(s) compliant with the flow cytometer
Personal protective equipment

9 Disposal

Disposal procedure should meet requirements of applicable local regulations.










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|  Reference number |  Manufacturer |  Batch code |
|  Temperature limit |  In vitro diagnostics medical device |  Use-by date |
|  Consult instructions for use |  CE mark |  Unique device identifier |

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2.7 Hypochlorite solution IFU (product code 04-4019)

1 Identification of the IVD reagent

Name	Hypochlorite Solution
Ref. No.	04-4019
UDI-DI	04250878904818
Content	250 mL, ready to use

2 Intended purpose

IVD For In Vitro Diagnostic Use.

Hypochlorite Solution is intended to clean the sample pathway by reducing possibly remaining blood and/or protein residuals from prior sample measurements in Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers. Hypochlorite Solution is ready to use and will be fed to the instrument via sample port manually or via automated loading system. Hypochlorite solution is an accessory solution and does not provide any diagnostic information.

Handling with Hypochlorite Solution is restricted to lab technicians and trained FCM operators.

3 Principle of the procedure

Hypochlorite solution, as an accessory solution for flow cytometry, is used to reduce possible residual proteins in the sample pathway of Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometers after measurement.

For further information refer to the Instructions for Use of the flow cytometer.

4 Storage and shelf life

4.1 Unopened product

Store Hypochlorite Solution at 18-30 °C, do not freeze or expose to elevated temperatures. Under these storage conditions the reagent will be stable until the expiration date printed on its label. Do not use the reagent beyond its shelf life.

4.2 Product after first opening

The shelf life after first opening is the same as the shelf life for unopened reagent if stored at stated storage conditions and used according to the Instructions for Use (IFU).

5 Components

Hypochlorite Solution is an aqueous solution containing < 1.00 wt% of sodium hypochlorite (CAS no. 7681-52-9).

6 Evidence of deterioration

Hypochlorite Solution is a clear liquid. Do not use Hypochlorite Solution after appearance of any kind of turbidity or contamination.

For questions regarding to the performance or quality of the product received, please contact your local Sysmex representative.

Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device shall be reported to the manufacturer and the component authority of the Member State in which the user is located.

7 Precautions and warnings

Appropriate safety precautions and handling procedures must be applied in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for a complete list of warnings and precautions.

7.1 Warning symbols



GHS05
Corrosive

7.2 *Signal word*

DANGER

7.3 *Hazards*

H314	Causes severe skin burns and eye damage.
H412	Harmful to aquatic life with long lasting effects.

7.4 *Precautions*

P260	Do not breathe mist/vapours/spray.
P264	Wash thoroughly after handling.
P280	Wear protective gloves/eye protection.
P303+P361+P353	IF ON SKIN (or hair): Take off immediately all contaminated clothing. Rinse skin with water [or shower].
P305+P351+P338	IF IN EYES: Rinse cautiously with water for several minutes. Remove contact lenses, if present and easy to do. Continue rinsing.
P310	Immediately call a POISON CENTER/doctor.
P501	Dispose of contents/container to a facility in accordance with local and national regulations.

8 **Additional required equipment**

Instrument: Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometer, such as the CyFlow™ Counter (Ref. No. CY-S-3023)
For further information, please refer to the instructions for use (IFU) of the flow cytometer.

Laboratory equipment: A calibrated pipette and pipette tips
Sample tube(s) compliant to the flow cytometer
Personal protective equipment

9 **Disposal**

Disposal procedure should meet requirements of applicable local regulations.










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11 **Symbols**

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	Temperature limit		In vitro diagnostic medical device		Use-by date
	Consult instructions for use		CE-mark		Unique device identifier

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2.8 Sheath fluid IFU (product code 04-4016)

1 Identification of the IVD reagent

Name	Sheath Fluid
Ref. No.	04-4016
UDI-DI	04250878904788
Content	5000 mL container incl. tap, ready to use

2 Intended Purpose

 For In Vitro Diagnostic Use.

Sheath Fluid is intended to ensure that the sample, fed to the Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometer, will run under hydrodynamic focusing. Sample run, and Sheath Fluid consumption will be controlled via FCM software automatically. Sheath Fluid is a general laboratory accessory solution and does not provide any diagnostic information. Handling with Sheath Fluid is restricted to lab technicians and trained FCM operators.

3 Principle of the procedure

Sheath Fluid as an accessory solution for flow cytometry will be passed through the fluidic system of the flow cytometer via vacuum pressure. Once the Sheath Fluid is running at laminar flow, the sample flow will be injected into the center of the stream, at a slightly higher pressure. The principles of hydrodynamic focusing cause the cells to align, single file in the direction of flow.

For further information, please refer to the Instructions for Use (IFU) of your flow cytometer.

4 Storage and shelf life

4.1 Unopened product

Store at 18 - 30°C, do not freeze or expose to elevated temperatures. Under these storage conditions the reagent will be stable until the expiration date printed on its label. Do not use the reagent beyond its shelf life.

4.2 Product after first opening

Sheath Fluid will be stable at least 7 days after first use. Always use a new clean tap after the Sheath Fluid container was first opened. Close the tap after each use, to avoid contamination.

5 Components

5000 mL aqueous solution

6 Evidence of deterioration

Sheath Fluid is a clear liquid. Do not use Sheath Fluid after appearance of any kind of turbidity or contamination.

For questions regarding the performance or quality of the product received, please contact your local Sysmex Representative.

Any serious incident that has occurred in relation to the device shall be reported to the manufacturer and the competent authority of the Member State in which the user is located.

7 Precautions and warnings

Appropriate safety precautions and handling procedures must be applied in accordance with applicable laws and regulations.

Refer to the Safety Data Sheet (SDS) for a complete list of warnings and precautions.

8 Additional required equipment

Instrument: Sysmex Partec clinical flow cytometer, such as the CyFlow™ Counter (Ref. No. CY-S-3023)

For further information, please refer to the instruction for use (IFU) of the flow cytometer.

Laboratory equipment: A calibrated pipette and pipette tips
Sample tube(s) compliant to the flow cytometer
Personal protective equipment

9 Disposal

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Batch code



Temperature limit



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Use-by date



Consult instructions for use



CE mark



Unique device identifier



Stacking limit by number



This way up



Use no hooks



Keep dry

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