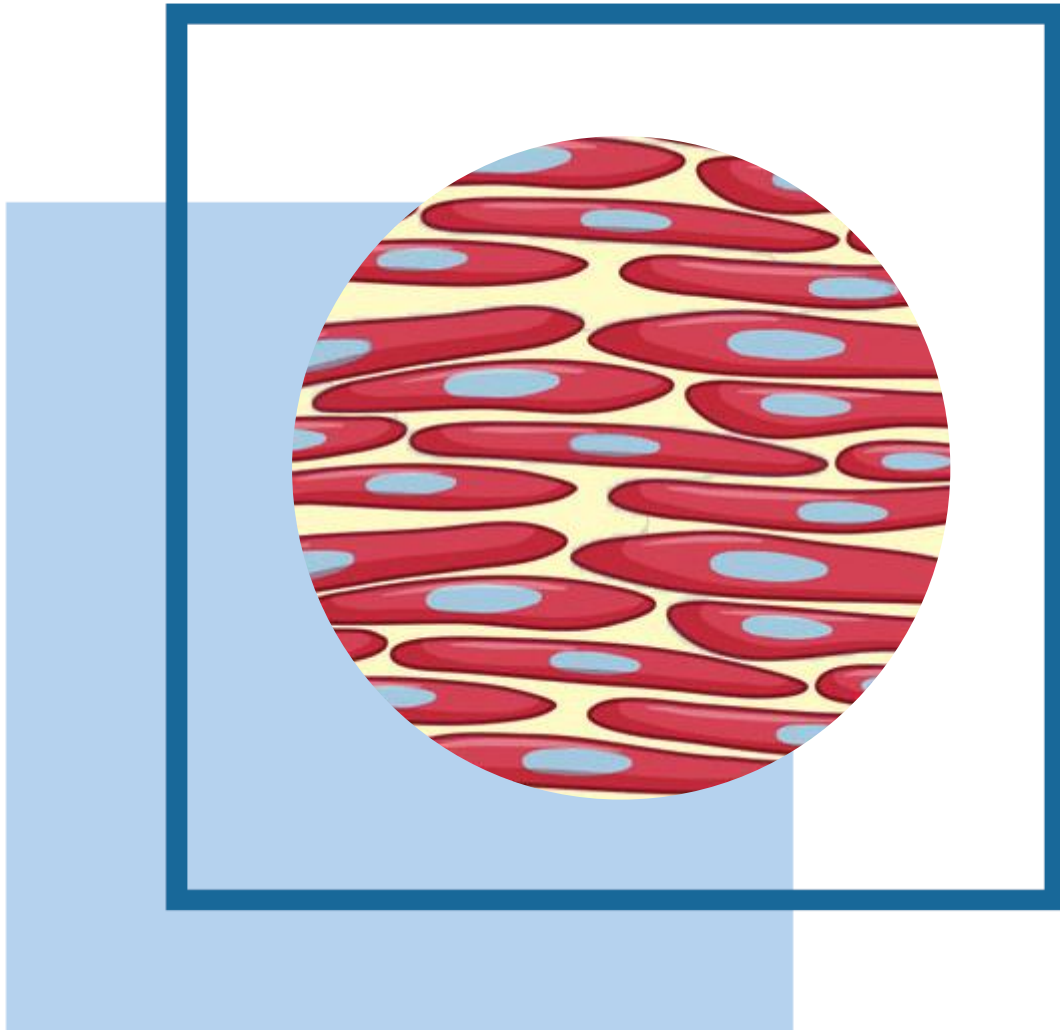


XPMag - Transfection Reagent

INSTRUCTION MANUAL



Reverse Magnetofection

This reagent needs to be used with magnetic plate

IMPORTANT NOTES – Before you begin

- ✓ XPMag, is a novel magnetic nanoparticles formulation dedicated to gene transfection in organotypic cultures of explant by "Reverse Magnetofection".
- ✓ "Reverse Magnetofection" provides a novel and non-toxic strategy for nucleic acids (DNA & siRNA) based gene therapy in the retina that can be translated to a wide variety of organ explants.
- ✓ XPMag, associated with Reverse Magnetofection allows the delivery of nucleic acids (NA) up to the deepest explant layers.
- ✓ The magnetic force, delivered by a specific magnetic plate, guides and concentrates complexes of NA and XPMag magnetic nanoparticles from the culture media to the tissue.
- ✓ This novel method of transfection associating XPMag and Reverse Magnetofection is fully biocompatible and does induce neither apoptosis nor inflammatory reactions.

For additional information and protocols (optimization, scaling, co-transfection...) tips, troubleshooting or other applications



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XPMag Reagent | Specifications

Package content	XP00250: 250 µL of XPMag reagent XP00500: 500 µL of XPMag reagent KXP0250: XPMag Starting Kit - 250 µL of XPMAG reagent + Super Magnetic Plate
Shipping conditions	Room Temperature
Storage conditions	Store the XPMag transfection reagent at -20°C upon reception
Shelf life	1 year from the date of purchase when properly stored and handled
Product description	XPMag is a novel magnetic nanoparticles formulation dedicated to gene transfection in organotypic cultures of explant by "Reverse Magnetofection".
Important notice	For research use only. Not for use in diagnostic procedures

Applications and Protocols

1. General Considerations

- Allow reagents to reach room temperature before starting
- This reagent needs to be used with a dedicated magnetic plate delivering a specific magnetic field
- It is mandatory to use medium without any supplement for the preparation of complexes
- Replace culture medium 24h after transfection; perform assay 48 to 96h after Reverse Magnetofection (depending on the layer to reach and on the gene to express or silence).

2. Organotypic culture of Explants

Use your already-settled protocol for preparing ex vivo cultures of explants; we recommend placing organotypic culture of explants on 0.4 µm polycarbonate membrane culture insert into 1 mL of culture medium. Considering retinal explant, place RPE layer on the membrane side down facing the medium and ganglion layer cells up.

Tissue culture dish format	Insert diameter per well ¹	Thickness	Recommended volume for culture	Recommended volumes of XPMag
0.4 µm polycarbonate membrane	24 mm	10 µm	1 mL	2.5-3.5 µL

¹ diameter may vary depending on the manufacturer.

Table 1: Recommended volume of XPMag for complexes preparation

3. Standard Protocol

The following protocol sets the basis to deliver nucleic acids (DNA and siRNA) in explant using XPMag. We recommend starting with a 200 µL suspension of 50 nM siRNA or 2 µg DNA with respectively 2.5 and 3.5 µL XPMag according to the table below. Refer to paragraph 2.4 to optimize transfections.

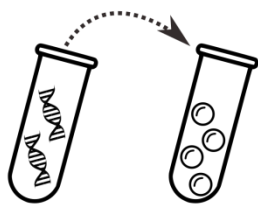
	XPMag magnetic nanoparticles volumes:
50 nM siRNA in 200 µL	2.5 µL
2 µg DNA in 200 µL	3.5 µL

Table 2: Recommended volumes of XPMag depending on the nucleic acid to use

- 1) Dilute nucleic acid in **200 µL** medium without any supplement according to table 2
- 2) Prepare a tube containing **2.5** or **3.5 µL** of XPMag
- 3) Add nucleic acid suspension to XPMag
- 4) Incubate **30 min** at RT to ensure a correct formation of complexes
- 5) Add complexes to the **800 µL** of culture medium
- 6) Place the culture membrane support carrying explant onto the medium containing the complexes
- 7) Apply **Reverse Magnetofection** by placing the magnetic plate **above the lid** of the culture plate
- 8) Incubate **30 min** at **37°C**
- 9) Remove the Magnetic plate and incubate under standard culture conditions
- 10) Replace medium with fresh medium after 24 hours.
- 11) Incubate 24 h to 96 h.

1. Preparation of Complexes

Mix 200µL Nucleic Acid (NA) solution (siRNA 50nM / DNA 2µg) to 2.5 or 3.5µL XPMag

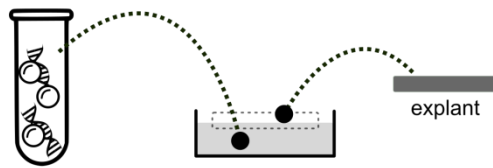


Nucleic Acid solution	XPMag
siRNA: 50nM	2.5µL
DNA: 2µg	3.5µL

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Complexation:
incubation 30 min

2. Addition of Complexes into the medium

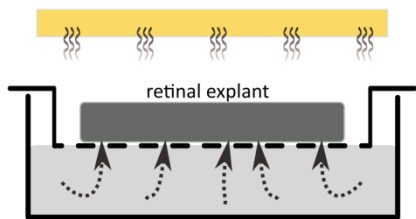
Directly add NA/XPMag complexes into the culture medium and position membrane carrying explant



NA/XPMag complexes
Complexes are added to the culture medium

3. Reverse Magnetofection

Position the magnetic plate above the lid of the culture plate



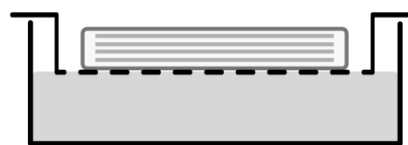
Complexes are attracted **upward**, from the medium to reach the inner layers of the explant

Reverse Magnetofection: 30 min

5. Assay Determination

Depending on the layer to target assess gene expression or silencing efficiency 48 to 96h after Reverse Magnetofection.

4. medium change after 24H



Determination of gene expression or silencing (48H/96H)

Figure 1: XPMag standard operative procedure for transfection of explant by Reverse Magnetofection. (1) Complexes of nucleic acids (recommended: siRNA 50 nM / DNA 2 µg) and XPMag (recommended: siRNA 2.5 µL / DNA 3.5µL per 1mL culture medium for cultivating explants on 24 mm transwell membrane inserts) are formed and incubated 30 minutes at RT. (2) After complexation, NA/XPMag solution is added directly into the medium underneath the explant and a magnetic plate is placed above the lid of the culture plate for 30 min RT (3). After 24H, the medium is replaced with fresh medium (4) and depending on the layer and/or on the gene to express or target, gene expression or silencing can be monitored from 48 h to 96 h after reverse Magnetofection (5).

Optimization Protocol

Transfection conditions for Reverse Magnetofection may vary depending on the nucleic acid (siRNA/DNA...), the gene to express or silence, and inner layer to reach, (...). It is thus highly recommended to optimize the conditions in order to find the best nucleic acid concentrations with the ideal volume of XPMag magnetic nanoparticles; Table 3 below gives an example of volumes to try.

	XPMag magnetic nanoparticles volumes:		
siRNA concentration in 200µL: 25nM / 50nM /100nM	2 µL	2.5 µL	3 µL
DNA amount in 200µL: 1µg / 2µg / 3µg	3 µL	3.5 µL	4 µL

Table 3: Recommended volumes of XPMag depending on the nucleic acid to use

Additional products

- **NeuroMag** dedicated to neurons transfection
- **Glial-Mag** dedicated to microglial cell lines and primary cells.
- **BrainFectIN** for *in vivo* transfection in central nervous system

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