

Flag Nanobody Magnetic Beads

(FNB001)

Product Overview

Flag Nanobody Magnetic Beads are prepared by the conjugation of anti-Flag-tag (DYKDDDDK) nanobodies to magnetic agarose beads, enabling specific binding to Flag tag fusion proteins. Unlike conventional antibodies, this product lacks light and heavy chains and has a dissociation constant in the nM-pM range. A 20 μ L bead suspension can bind 10~15 μ g of Flag tag fusion protein. Featuring high specificity, low background, high affinity, high loading capacity and ease of use, the beads are suitable for experiments such as Immunoprecipitation (IP)/Co-Immunoprecipitation (CoIP), Chromatin Immunoprecipitation (ChIP)/RNA-Binding Protein Immunoprecipitation (RIP), enzyme activity assay and mass spectrometry analysis.

Components

Product Name	Cat. No.	Volume
Flag Nanobody Magnetic Beads	FNB001-01	500 μ L
	FNB001-02	1 mL

Storage Conditions

Store at 4°C for a shelf life of 1 year, or at -20°C for a shelf life of 2 years. Transport with ice packs.

Notes

- For your health and safety, wear a lab coat and disposable gloves during operation. This product is for scientific research use only.
- For long-term storage, store the product at -20°C. Avoid centrifugation, desiccation and repeated freeze-thaw cycles.
- The storage buffer of this product is PBS containing 20% ethanol.

Experimental Procedures

1. Cell Harvesting:

Approximately $10^6 \sim 10^7$ cells expressing Flag-tag fusion protein are used for each immunoprecipitation reaction; the cell number can be adjusted appropriately according to the expression level of the Flag-tag fusion protein. Aspirate the culture medium, add pre-cooled 1×PBS to the culture dish and rinse twice. Harvest adherent cells using a cell scraper or trypsin digestion, transfer the cells to a centrifuge tube, centrifuge at 500 g for 3 minutes and discard the supernatant.

2. Cell Lysis:

- 1) Add a protease inhibitor to the lysis buffer, and resuspend the cells with 1.0 mL of pre-cooled lysis buffer. For membrane proteins or nuclear/chromatin proteins, RIPA lysis buffer or regular IP lysis buffer combined with sonication can be used for cell lysis.
- 2) Incubate on ice for 30 minutes, with thorough pipetting every 10 minutes, or perform lysis on a rotator at 4°C.
- 3) Centrifuge at 20,000 g for 15 minutes at 4°C, transfer the lysate (supernatant) to a new pre-cooled tube and discard the pellet.

Note: The cell lysate can be stored long-term at -80°C at this stage.

3. **Bead Equilibration (Optional):** Resuspend the Flag Nanobody Magnetic Beads thoroughly, aliquot 20 µL of the beads into 500 µL of pre-cooled lysis buffer, separate the magnetic beads on a magnetic stand until the supernatant becomes clear, and discard the supernatant (it is recommended to cut the tip of the pipette when aspirating 20 µL of the bead suspension).

4. **Protein Binding:**

- 1) Add the cell lysate to the equilibrated Flag Nanobody Magnetic Beads (if Step 3 is skipped, directly add 20 µL of the beads to the cell lysate), and incubate on a rotator in a 4°C refrigerator for 30~120 minutes. If needed, retain 50 µL of the lysate as input for Western Blot analysis.
- 2) Separate the magnetic beads on a magnetic stand until the supernatant becomes clear, and discard the supernatant.

5. **Bead Washing:** Resuspend the Flag Nanobody Magnetic Beads from the previous step with 1.0 mL of pre-cooled lysis buffer, wash with rotation at 4°C for 5 minutes, separate the beads on a magnetic stand until the supernatant becomes clear, discard the supernatant and repeat the washing step twice.

6. **Protein Elution (Select the elution method according to downstream applications):**

- 1) **Elution with SDS-PAGE Loading Buffer:** Add 20~50 µL of 2×SDS-sample buffer to resuspend the Flag Nanobody Magnetic Beads. Heat at 95°C for 10 minutes for complete denaturation to dissociate the immunoprecipitation complex from the beads. Then centrifuge at 2,500 g for 3 minutes at 4°C and collect the supernatant; the collected product can be used for SDS-PAGE and Western Blot analysis.
- 2) **Acidic Elution:** Add 50 µL of 0.2 M glycine (pH 2.5) to elute the bound protein, incubate for 30 seconds with constant mixing, centrifuge and collect the supernatant into a new centrifuge tube. Immediately add 5 µL of 1.0 M Tris (pH 10.4) to neutralize the acidic glycine solution.

Note: This step can be repeated to improve elution efficiency.

- 3) **Elution for Flag Fusion Protein:** Add an excess amount of Flag-peptide for elution.