

## **Health and Safety Benefits**

- Totally enclosed/sealed process
- Reduced reagent volumes
- No cleaning required
- Single use, no sample contamination
- Ready to use systems available

## **Performance Benefits**

- Optimum sample recovery
- Enhanced sample clarity
- Rapid four step process
- · Human resources optimised
- Easy patient identification
- Fits all 15ml centrifuge buckets





# **Procedure**

## **STEP 1 - SAMPLE PREPARATION**

For empty Parasep®, unscrew lid and add 2.4ml of fixative and one drop of surfactant (eg: Apacor Triton X solution) to the mixing chamber.

Alternatively use the reagent ready Mini Parasep<sup>®</sup>.

Introduce a pea sized faecal sample to the fixative using the spoon on the end of the Mini Parasep® filter. Add 1.0ml of Ethyl Acetate to the mixing chamber.

Mix in thoroughly with the Mini Parasep® spoon. If the sample is hard, break it up with the end of the spoon.

## **STEP 2 - EMULSIFICATION**

Seal the Mini Parasep® by screwing in the filter/ sedimentation cone unit.

Vortex or shake to emulsify with the sedimentation cone pointing upwards.



## STEP 3 - CENTRIFUGATION

Invert Mini Parasep® and centrifuge at 1200g for three minutes.

Mini Parasep® fits all 15ml centrifuge buckets.

# NOTE: TO CALCULATE THE REQUIRED RPM FOR ANY CENTRIFUGE. RPM = \[ \sqrt{\frac{9}{1.12}r} \] x 1000 RPM - rotor speed in revs/min. g - centrifugal force (max. 1000g) r - radius, horizontal distance between sedimentation cone tip and spindle centre measured in mm. DEBRIS FATTY PLUG SUPERNATANT SEDIMENT

### STEP 4 - EXAMINATION

## **Direct Method**

Unscrew and discard the filter and mixing tube. Pour off all the liquid above the sediment.

Pipette one drop of sediment onto a slide, and cover with cover-slip. Alternatively, follow laboratory SOP for slide preparation.



# Semi-automated System - ParaSys™

Unscrew and discard the filter and mixing tube. Pour off all the liquid above the sediment.

Insert aspirator into the sediment, press DILUTE to add saline to the sediment. Shake or vortex to re-suspend sample. Press SAMPLE to draw 100µl into the ParaSlide™.



See label for storage conditions and expiry date. Please adhere to the following guidelines when handling Mini Parasep®. To avoid cross contamination the Mini Parasep® device should remain closed at all times except when introducing the sample or when retrieving the final concentrated sample for examination.

# Mini Parasep® is available empty or reagent ready Please ask for details

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