

PRODUCT SHEET



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# Homogenization Sample Collection Kit

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Biomeme's **Sample Homogenization Kit** is used for mechanical lysis and homogenization of samples such as plant material, mosquito pools, ticks, tissue, soil and other solid material. The Homogenized sample is then extracted via Biomeme M1 Sample Prep Kit. The purified nucleic acids with the M1 Sample Prep Kit are high suited for real time PCR application.

**Safety Warning:** *When working with our products, always wear appropriate personal protective equipment (PPE) (e.g. lab coat, disposable gloves with adequate chemical resistance, mouth/face protection, goggles, etc.) For more information, please review the product's safety data sheet(s) (SDS).*

# Kit Contents

CONTENTS	VOLUME/QUANTITY
5mL screw cap tubes (blue) with 1/2" stainless steel balls	30x
1mL transfer pipettes	30x
400 µL transfer pipettes	30x
60mL Nalgene bottle with 40mL of Homogenization BLB	2x

**Important:** The stainless steel ball bearing will react with the homogenization buffer and corrode, therefore DO NOT store the ball bearings in the homogenization buffer, instead aliquot buffer into tube immediately prior to use! If you would like to retain all the homogenized sample, transfer to a new tube (not supplied in kit) without ball bearing for storage.

## Protocol

1. Unscrew the 5mL blue capped tube containing the ball bearing
2. Using a 1mL transfer pipette, add 2mL of homogenization buffer to the blue capped tube with the stainless steel ball bearing
3. Next, add your sample to be homogenized and tightly screw on the cap to the tube; maximum amounts of starting material:
  - A. Tissue - up to 25mg
  - B. Soil - up to 250mg
  - C. Tick - 1 tick
4. Vigorously shake the tube with ball bearing for approximately 30 seconds (or until the sample is sufficiently homogenized) to

mechanically disrupt the sample

- A. If large particulates are present, you may want to let the tube sit and allow the particulates to settle
5. Using 400uL exact volume pipette, transfer the desired amount of supernatant to a Biomeme red capped BLB tube (found in the M1 Sample Prep Kit) for downstream nucleic acid extraction. You can transfer up to 1.2 mL of supernatant. For soil, transferring 0.8 mL to 1.2 mL is recommended.

## Storage

Biomeme Homogenization BLB should be stored in a dry place, at room temperature (15-25°C). It is stable for 2 years under these conditions.

When kept in their tubes, Biomeme supplied ball bearings without buffer have no expiration date.

# Disclaimer

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