FOR FAECAL CONCENTRATION OF
HELMINTH OVA AND LARVAE / PROTOZOA CYSTS AND OOCYSTS

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 50ml centrifuge buckets

Filter
A two stage filtration matrix. Large particles are rejected without obscuring filtration. Recovery rate with Parasep® is comparable to traditional sieve method, ie: Ridley-Allen. The vertical filter enclosed design is patented.

Debris Trap
Rejected particles are trapped to prevent extrusion into the Sedimentation Cone during centrifugation.

Air/Liquid Seal and Safety Lock
The ‘seal’ prevents the release of biohazardous material. The ‘lock’ ensures the Mixing Chamber and Filter are removed together for safe disposal.

Sedimentation Cone
Sediment forms in the base of the cone allowing examination for the presence of helminth eggs or larvae and protozoa cysts or oocysts.
## Procedure

### STEP 1 - SAMPLE PREPARATION
For empty Parasep®, unscrew lid and add 6.0ml of fixative and one drop of surfactant (eg: Apacor Triton X solution) to the mixing chamber.

Alternatively use the reagent ready Midi Parasep®.

Introduce a pea sized faecal sample to the fixative. Add 2.0ml of Ethyl Acetate to the mixing chamber.

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

### STEP 2 - EMULSIFICATION
Seal the Midi Parasep® by screwing in the filter/ sedimentation cone unit.

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

### STEP 3 - CENTRIFUGATION
Invert the Midi Parasep® and centrifuge at 1200g for three minutes.

Midi Parasep® fits all 50ml centrifuge buckets.

### 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.

**OR**

**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 Midi Parasep®.

To avoid cross contamination the Midi Parasep® device should remain closed at all times except when introducing the sample or when retrieving the final concentrated sample for examination.

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

Products can be ordered direct from Apacor or from an appointed distributor
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