

TAN Bead Nucleic Acid Extractor (Non-Sterile)

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Maelstrom Switch 8 User Manual

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About Manual

The label on the instrument, User Manual, and other packaging material may contain following symbols:



Catalog number



Temp limit



Serial number



Keep dry



Specification of fuse



Keep away from sunlight



Manufacturer



EC REP EU authorized representative



The date of manufacture



Biologic risks



The CE mark



In vitro diagnostic



Instructions for Use



Humidity limit



Non-sterile



Biologic risks



Hot surface, risk of burns



Caution



The WEEE symbol, indicating separate collection for WEEE-Waste of electrical and electronic equipment

About Instrument

Warning

- Use a power cord that meets your country's standard. In case of any questions, contact your local distributor for assistance.
- Maelstrom Switch 8 operates within the voltage range from 100 Volts to 240 Volts.
- Do not use the instrument with damaged power cord or a loose socket.
- To unplug, hold the power plug itself instead of pulling the power cord.
- Prior to performing the maintenance, make sure to unplug the power plug from the outlet.
- Do not pour any liquid on the instrument.
- Do not place any containers with liquid on the instrument. Doing so may cause a fire, an electric shock or malfunctions of the instrument.
- Do not touch the power plug or cord if there is a chance of lightning. Failure to observe this may cause electric shocks.
- If you hear a thunder or suspect an approaching lightning when in use, turn off the power switch and disconnect the power plug from the AC outlet immediately. Failure to observe this may cause a fire or malfunctions.

About Instrument

Caution

- Never attempt to remodel the instrument without the permission from the manufacturer. Doing so may lead to a fire or an electric shock.
- Do not subject the instruments to any impacts and do not knock it.
 Doing so may cause malfunctions.
- Any repairs to the instrument must be performed by agencies authorized by Taiwan Advanced Nanotech Inc.
- Only use the original spare parts supplied by Taiwan Advanced Nanotech Inc on the instrument.
- If the equipment is used in a manner not specified by the manufacturer, the protection given by the instrument may be impaired or invalid.
- User and/or patient the need to report any serious incident that occurred in relation to the device to the manufacturer and to the competent authority of the Member State where the user and/or patient is established.

About

Maelstrom Switch 8 is an automated nucleic acid platform designed for Flexible Applications. Specialized spin tips enable mixing efficiency of magnetic beads. With intuitive interface and compatible with Tanbead reagent kits. Maelstrom Switch 8 can boost molecular diagnostic laboratory productivity by transforming routine operations into a walk-away solution.

Operation Principle

Maelstrom Switch 8 uses patented magnetic beads, spin tips and reagent kits technologies, consisting of three major processes: isolation, purification and concentration.

Intended Purpose/Intended Use

- Maelstrom Switch 8 shall be used in combination with TANBead Nucleic Acid Extraction Kit to extract DNA/RNA from various sample types.
- Maelstrom Switch 8 can handle magnetic beads for extraction and purification of nucleic acid.
- Please note that this medical device is used by physicians or medical technologists.
- The purified nucleic acid can be used with any downstream application employing PCR-based qualitative, semi-quantitative and quantitative assays.

Sample Type

Maelstrom Switch 8 automated nucleic acid extractor is not applicable for specimen collection. It equipped with different types of TANBead Nucleic Acid Extraction kits, which can extract and purify nucleic acids from biological samples. Please refer to the following for sample type and compatible reagent kits required.

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Sample	Reagent kits			
Blood	61E series	611 series	621 series	
ыооч	622 series	91E series		
cfDNA	61C series	91C series		
Virus	615 series	635 series	665 series	
viius	685 series	61H series		
	61G series	61G-SE	6MB series	
Bacteria		series		
	6BG series			
Tissue	6T2 series	6K2 series		
FFPE	61P series	62P series		
Stool	6SC series			
Plant	613 series	613-SE	6K3 series	
		series		
Fungi/Yeast	61F series			
Environment	6EM series			
sample				
Food and	6GM			
feed	series			
Forensic	6TF series			
Plasmid	6PE series	9PE series		

Environmental Requirements

To avoid shortening the lifespan of the instrument, use Maelstrom Switch 8 in a location that meets the following criteria:

- Choose a location with good air circulation.
- Place Maelstrom Switch 8 on the table that can bear at least 20 kg.
- Do not use Maelstrom Switch 8 in a location where is with huge temperature and humidity variability.
- Operate condition:

Temperature: 10-40°C

Relative humidity: 40-80%

• Storage and transport condition:

Temperature: 5-50°C

Relative humidity: 20-85%

Maximum operate altitude:

2000m

Safety Instructions and Guidelines

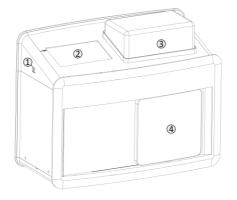
- This device can be used with potentially biohazardous materials. Use appropriate personal protective equipment (gloves, safety goggles, lab coat, etc.) for handling and disposing of biohazardous materials.
- Under a normal condition, sound pressure level from Maelstrom Switch 8 does not exceed 80dB and does not cause a hazard. Please contact technical support for assistance in case of a higher sound pressure level.
- This device can be hazardous due to the use of chemical and biohazardous substances.
- Users should adhere to their institutional guidelines for the handling and disposal of all infectious substances used with this device
- It is important to clean the device after every use. If samples or reagents have been spilled, clean the instrument immediately to avoid damage or contamination.
- This device is to use with the compatible spin tips. Using incompatible spin tips may cause poor extraction performance.
- Read this user manual completely prior to operating the device. Failure to read, understand, and follow the instructions in the manual may result in damage to the device, injury to laboratory and operating personnel or poor performance.

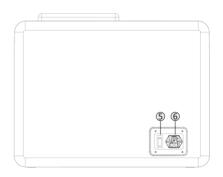
Safety Requirements

- The device has passed the tests and conformed to the standards of IEC 61010-1:2010+A1:2016 (Edition 3.1) and EN 6010-1:2010+A1:2019, "Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control, and laboratory use - Part 1: General requirements".
- The device has passed the tests and conformed to the standards of IEC 61010-2-101:2018 with IEC 61010-1:2010 + A1:2016 and EN 61010-2-101:2017 with EN 61010-1:2010 + A1:2019, "Safety requirements for electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - Part 2-101: Particular requirements for in vitro diagnostic (IVD) medical equipment".

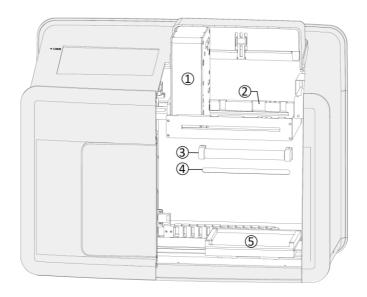
EMC Requirements

The device has passed the tests and conformed to the standards of IEC 61326-1:2020 / EN IEC 61326-1:2021 & IEC 61326-2-6:2020 / EN IEC 61326-2-6:2021, "Electrical equipment for measurement, control and laboratory use - EMC requirements - Part 2-6: Particular requirements - In vitro diagnostic (IVD) medical equipment".





- ① USB port
- 2 Touch screen
- 3 Top lid
- 4 Door lid
- **5** Power switch
- 6 Power inlet



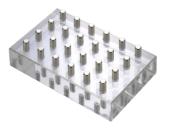
- 1 Fixed gearbox
- 2 Guide rail
- ③ UV light
- 4 LED light
- **⑤** Loading position

Accessory

Following accessories may vary region-to-region.



Power cord



Magnetic separator

Accessory

Following accessories may vary region-to-region.



4 gearbox



24 heating block



8 gearbox



96 heating block



8+ gearbox

Consumables

Maelstrom Switch 8 uses specially designed for optimal processing. Use of other types of pates may damage the instrument and compromise the warranty



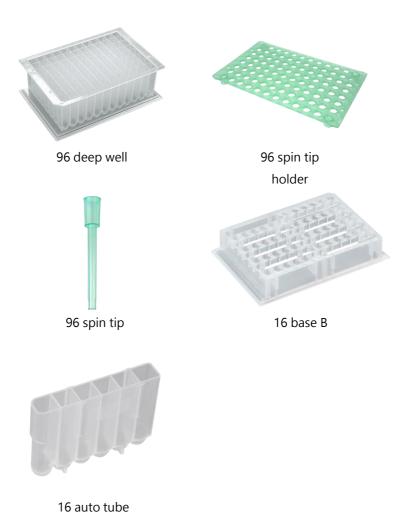
24 spin tip

holder

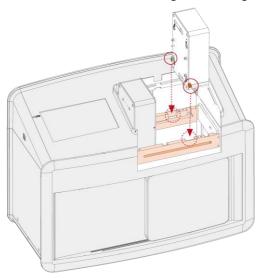
24 deep well

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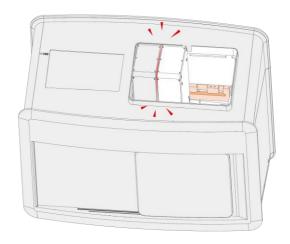


Step 1: Locate gearbox on guide rail



Step 2: Push gearbox to left side

Please follow instruction below while change different gearboxes.

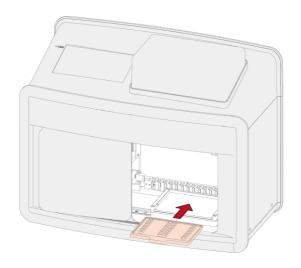


Step 3: Make sure gearbox is attached firmly



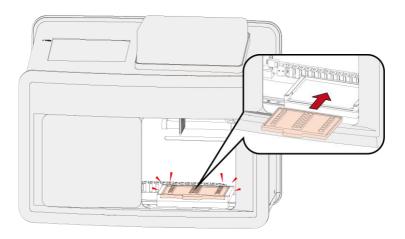
Please turn off the instrument before change gearbox.

Please follow instruction below while change different heating blocks.





Keep heating block horizontal during installation.





The heating plate surface may be hot during operation and change. Use caution to avoid risk of burns.

3. Instrument Specification



ITEM	SPECIFICATION		
Model	Maelstrom Switch 8		
Weight	N.W. 16.5kg G.W. 23.0kg		
Dimensions	Instrument 524(W)x265(D)x412(H)mm Package 638(W)x426(D)x568(H)mm		
Power rating	100~240Vac, 2.3~1.1A, 50/60Hz		
Fuse	T5A L 250V		
Max. Throughput	Low Volume: Max 16 samples/run High Volume: Max 4 samples/run		
Process volume	Low Volume: 50~1,200μL High Volume: 100~9,000μL		
Spin speed	500~3,000rpm		
Heater	1 independent heater		
Magnetic rod	Low Volume: >3,900 gauss High Volume: >4,700 gauss		
Display	7" touch screen		
UV light	UV-C		

4. Installation & Get Started

Please note that this instrument weight is around 20kg, it is highly recommended to have 2 individuals or above to handle when taking it out from the box and be sure to work safety.

Step 1:

Take out the instrument from the box,, 2 or more individuals is highly recommended.

Step 2:

Remove the cushions around the instrument.

Step 3:

Place the instrument on a flat table that bears over 20 kilograms.

Step 4:

Connect the power. Please note that this instrument is compatible with 100-240Vac power only. Using wrong power source will lead to malfunction or damage.

Step 5:

Power on the instrument and it will perform initialization.

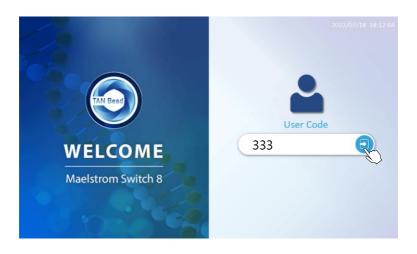
Warning: This product contains very strong permanent magnets. People wearing a pacemaker or metallic prostheses should not use this product. A pacemaker or prostheses may be affected or damage if it comes in close contact with a strong magnetic field.

5. Software Applications

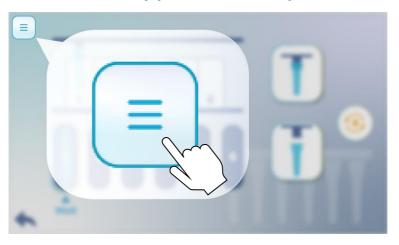
Start



It takes seconds for system ready.



Please input a User Code 333 to access the system. In case of forgotten password, contact distributor or Taiwan Advanced Nanotech Inc. for assistance.



Press Toolbar to use following function.



- ① Back to Homescreen
- ② Turn on/off LED
- 3 Get the version information
- Update software and firmware

Home Screen



Home screen on the Maelstrom Switch 8 is used for following functions.

- ① Change User
- ② Current Temperature



Tip: Pick-up and leave tip(s).



Run: Run a protocol.



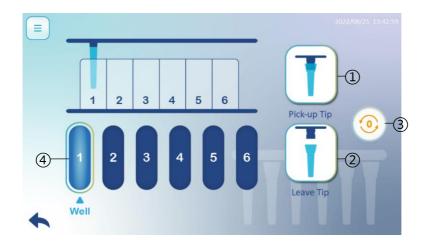
Reports: Manage history data(s).



UV lamp: Switch the UV lamp on/off.



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- ③ Origin: Press the icon to initialize instrument.
- 4 Well: Press the icon 1~6, Pick-up or Leave tips in different positions.

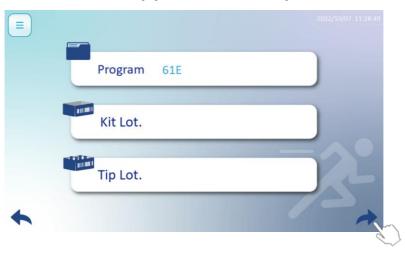


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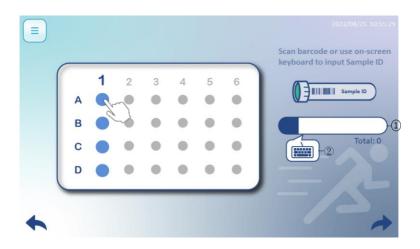




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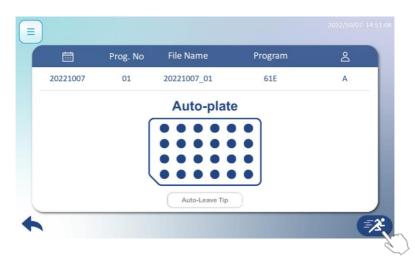
Type in Kit lot and Tip lot numbers for further tracking. Press arrow to proceed next page.



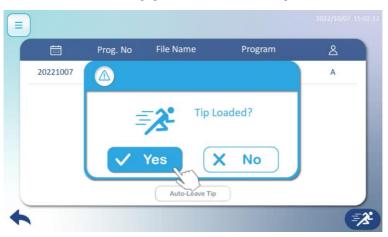
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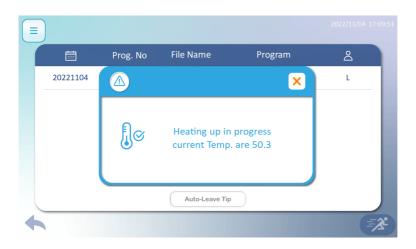
A circle turns yellow when inputs sample ID successfully. Then it moves to next sample ID automatically. E.g. A1 \rightarrow B1, B1 \rightarrow C1 etc. Press arrow to proceed next page.



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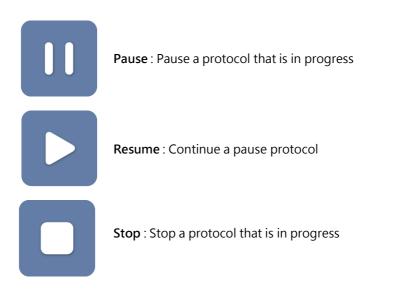


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Mix: This step is to mix beads and reagents



Collection: This step is used for collecting the magnetic beads from the wells of the plate, press Pause or Stop. Maelstrom Switch8 is not action immediately until finish collection.



Vapor: This step dries the magnetic beads above a well or tube.



Completion: Buzzer rings up after a protocol finished.



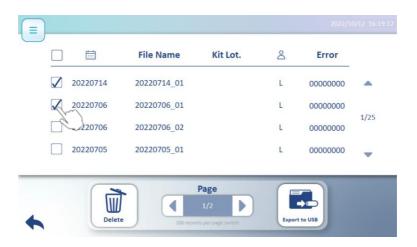
Pause: Pause a protocol



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Reports: Manage history data(s).



Please press the square(s) to delete data(s) or export data(s) to USB.



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Set UV light, then press bulb to star.



Please close the door before turn on the UV light, running time is recommended over 30 minutes.

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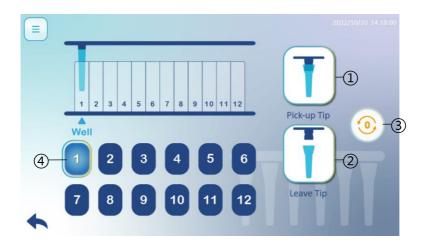
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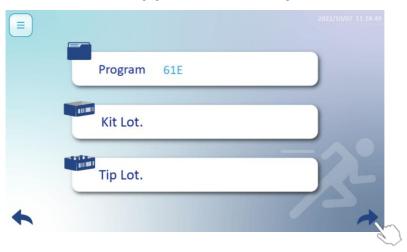


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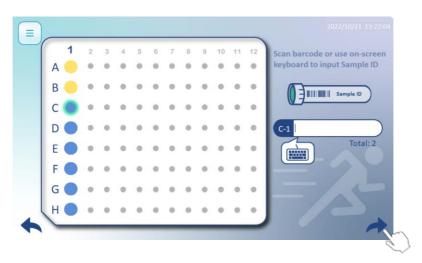
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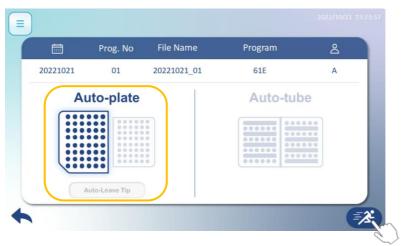
Choose a position Left or Right to run a protocol. Press arrow to proceed next pate.



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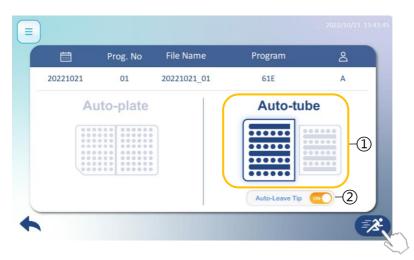


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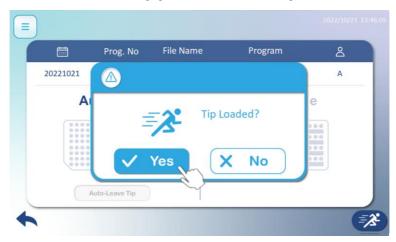
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- ① Chose Auto-Tube
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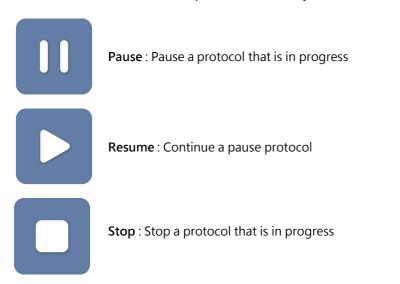
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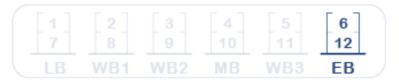
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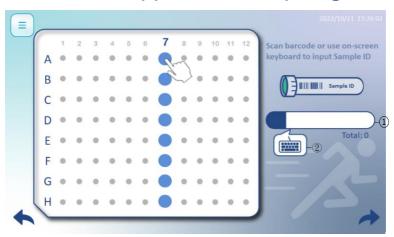
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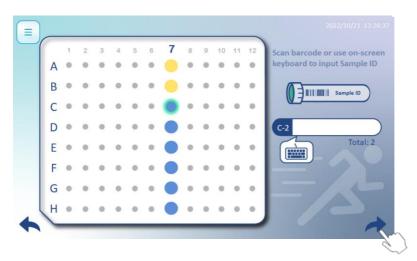
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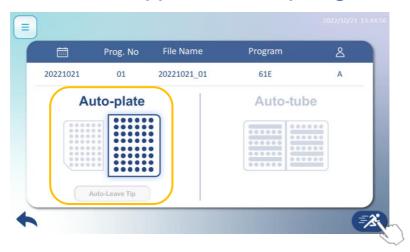
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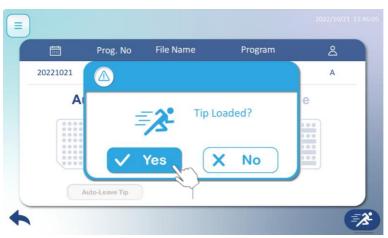
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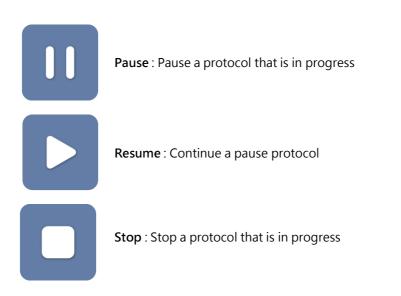
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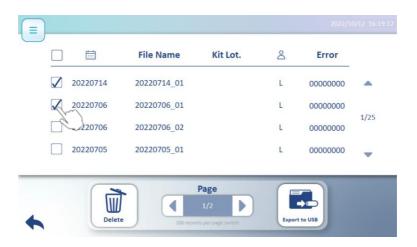
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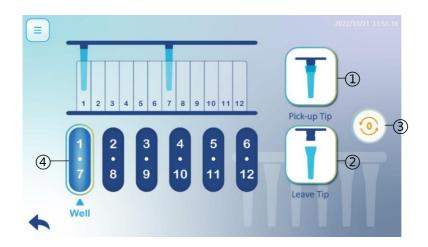
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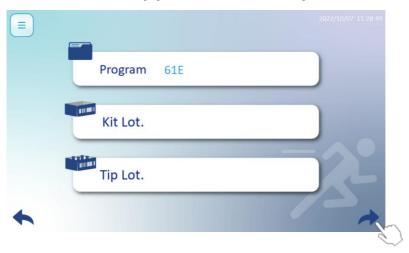


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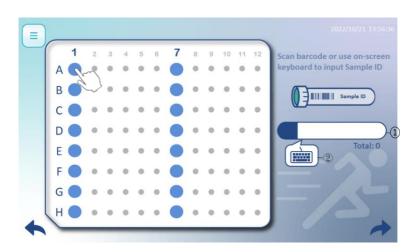




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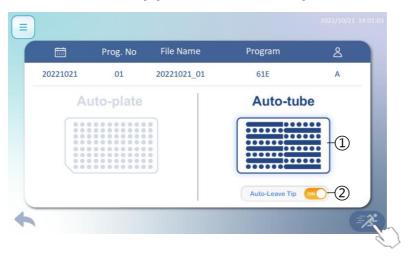
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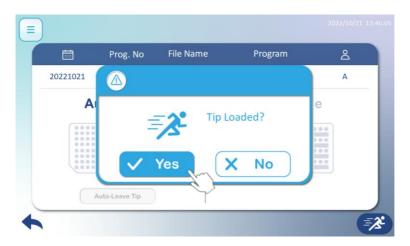


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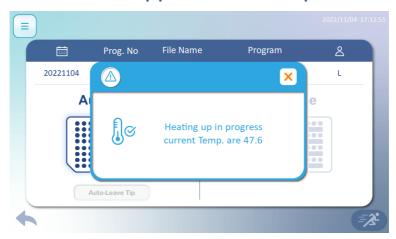


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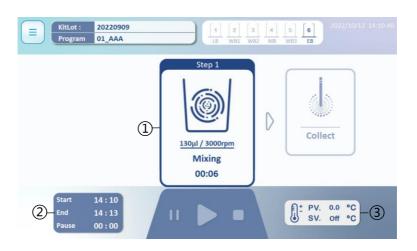
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Resume: Continue a pause protocol



Stop: Stop a protocol that is in progress



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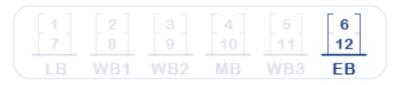
Vapor: This step dries the magnetic beads above a well or tube.



Completion: Buzzer rings up after a protocol finished.



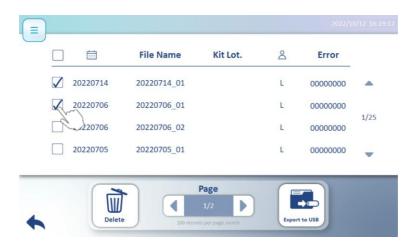
Pause: Pause a protocol



Well 1 to 12, number of well and name of buffer varies from kits to kits.



Reports: Manage history data(s).



Please press the square(s) to delete data(s) or export data(s) to USB.



UV lamp: Switch the UV lamp on/off.



Set UV light, then press bulb to star.



Please close the door before turn on the UV light, running time is recommended over 30 minutes.

6. Technical Support

In case of any questions, please try to contact our authorized distributor nearest to you. Taiwan Advance Nanotech Inc. provides post-sale services call number at +886-3-3167568 or via email: service@tanbead.com for assistance.

Please provide this instrument serial number when you talk to our technician, that will solve the problems efficiently and answer your questions more precisely.

7. Cleaning and Maintenance

- Clean the device after every use. When users detect samples or reagents have been spilled, clean the device immediately to avoid damage or contamination.
- Wear gloves and appropriate personal protective equipment. If the device is used with biohazardous materials, dispose of any cleaning materials used in accordance with your institutional guidelines.
- The device may go through a run with the magnetic rods unprotected. If this happens, the magnetic rod needs to be cleaned immediately.
- To clean the magnetic rods, wipe with a soft cloth dampened with pure water. Do not use alcohol solvent.
- If the magnetic rods cannot be cleaned, please contact TANBead (Tel: +886-3-3167568) for technical assistance.

8. Disposal

The decision whether or not to dispose of a potentially contaminated medical device is usually made by the owner in consultation with appropriate federal, state, and local authorities. In determining which medical devices should be discarded, the owner must assess each product's current condition and potential safety risks.

9. Patent

Patent List	
USA	US09616398B2
EU	EP2937136
Canada	CA2862946
Japan	JP6151735B2
Korea	KR101696517B1
China	CN104971638B
Taiwan	TWI526245B
WIPO	WO2016127292

10. About Manufacturer



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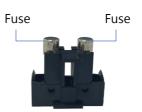


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11. Appendix

Specification of Fuse:

- UL recognized component
- F5A L 250V
- 5.2Φ x 20mm



Precautions

The following safety precautions will prevent injury to personnel and damage to equipment. There are the MINIMUM safety precautions for replacing fuse(s).

- 1. Turn the power off and discharge the circuit before removing a blown fuse.
- 2. Use a fuse puller (an insulated tool) when you remove a fuse from a clip-type fuseholder.
- 3. Please always replace the faulty fuse(s) with one equal in size, amperage, rating and type.
- 4. Turn the main power switch back on and see if electricity is restored.

12. Previous Generation



ITEM	SPECIFICATION
Model Name	Magnetic rotary mixer
Weight	600 g
Dimensions	112(W)x327(H)x63(D)mm
Power	5 Vac, 2 A
Battery	3.7 Vac , 2850mAh
Throughput	8 samples per run
Pro. volume	50 μl ~ 1,500 μl
Spin Speed	up to 3000 rpm
Magnetic rod	>3000 gauss
Display	2.4" LCD, 240 x 320 pixels



ITEM	SPECIFICATION
Model	Autostage
Weight	9.6 kg
Dimensions	357(W)x285(H)x190(D)mm
Power	19 Vac, 120 W
Heater	1 heating block