



# Equipment Liposome Production Tools Mini Extruder for LUV Preparation

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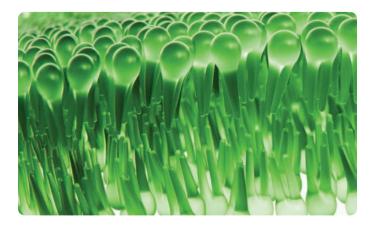
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## **Avanti's Mini-Extruder for LUV Preparation**

### Convenient

- Prepare large, unilamellar vesicles (LUVs) by extrusion in an easy, rapid, and efficient manner.
- Design allows for the rapid cleaning of all wetted parts, reducing downtime between production of vesicles from different lipid species.
- Generate uniform populations of unilamellar liposomes without the use of solvents or detergents.
- Control vesicle size via polycarbonate membrane selection.



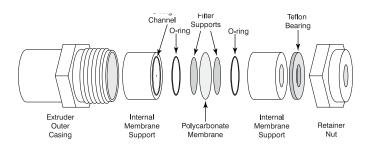


#### Complete set

- Mini extruder
- Heating block
- 2 o-rings
- 2 gas-tight syringes
- 100 polycarbonate membranes
- 100 filter supports

#### Durable and Affordable

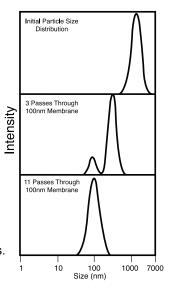
- Constructed of stainless steel and PTFE.
- Guaranteed to give years of trouble-free service.
- Replacement parts are available from one source.
- A fraction of the price of a larger model



### Flexible

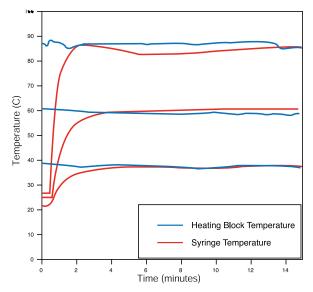
- The optional heating block allows the extrusion of vesicles at elevated temperatures, which is critical for the successful production of vesicles from phospholipids with a phase transition temperature above room temperature.
- Generate unilamellar liposomes ranging from 30 nm-1  $\mu m$  when assembled with appropriate polycarbonate membrane.
- Useful for a wide variety of lipid compositions.
- $\bullet\,$  Interchangeable with 250  $\mu L$  and 1 mL syringes.

Hydrated lipid solutions will initially form large, multilamellar vesicles. After the initial pass through a membrane, the particle size distribution will tend towards bimodal. After sufficient passes through the membrane, a unimodal, normal distribution is obtained. A minimum of eleven passes through the extruder membrane is recommended for most lipids.



### Reliable

The particle size distribution of unilamellar vesicles prepared by extrusion is a function of the number of passes through the extruder membrane.



Placing the heating block assembly on a hot plate achieves rapid temperature control for lipids that have transition temperatures above room temperature.

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- Introduction
- Extrusion technique
- Assembly
- Care

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