



Life Science, Environmental Science, Food, Cannabis, and Forensics Applications

Rapid cell lysis for extraction of DNA, RNA and proteins in plates and

microtubes

- Ideal for standardization of QuEChERS increasing recovery and reproducibility
- 50ml tube adapters for larger bacterial and yeast cultures
- Fine grinding of cannabis/hemp samples
- Able to homogenize bone, teeth and other hard samples

Large, touchscreen control panel

Powerful brushless motor and wide arcing motion for quick results

Accepts deepwell plates and tubes from 0.2ml to 6 50ml (adapters and jars sold separately)

Materials Science, Geology, Mechanochemistry, Pharmaceutical and other Analytical Applications

- Perfect for sample prep for extraction, digestion, filtration and spectroscopy
- Homogenize/blend powders and suspensions
- Mix powder samples and binder for XRF
- Variety of jar materials available to prevent contamination in heavy metal analysis

Precise, digital control for reproducible results

Easy to use - no complicated training

Cryogrinding accessories available

See-through safety lid

The BeadBlaster 96 is an extremely versatile ball mill homogenizer that has applications in both research and analytical laboratories. Microplates and tubes up to 50ml are accepted in adapters. Jars and balls in a variety of materials can also be used to grind samples.

Easy to Use

The BeadBlaster 96 requires no special training or installation. Jars and adapters are easily loaded into the locking sample holders. Setting operating parameters is simple thanks to the touch screen command center.

Large touch screen

The control center for all operations is the unit's large touch screen. Speed, run time, pause time and number of cycles are all set and controlled digitally. Nine programs can be stored and recalled from memory.



Powerful Motor

Inside the BeadBlaster 96's housing is a powerful, brushless motor. This motor drives the arced shaking motion that quickly grinds and homogenizes samples at speeds up to 1800rpm. The motor is quiet, maintenance free, and will provide a long service life.

Safety first

The heavy-duty safety cover opens upward for easy access. The see through, wrap around design allows for visualization of the samples, while the thick acrylic helps to reduce noise levels. The BeadBlaster 96 will not operate without the cover properly in place. Percent of allowable load is shown on the display and a safety switch stops operation of the unit in the case of an overload.

Any sample - wet, dry or cryogrind

Sample prep is the first step of many applications, whether they be research or analytical. Nearly any type of sample can be processed in the BeadBlaster 96. Biological samples can be homogenized in buffer using disposible containers from microplates to 50ml tubes. QuEChERS tubes can be processed eight at a time. Environmental samples, plants, insects, forensic samples, minerals, ores and many others can be processed dry in jars with large grinding beads. Cryogrinding in jars expands the use of the BeadBlaster 96 to extra hard, fibrous or sticky samples that are easier to break down when frozen.









Microplates

Samples can be homogenized to recover nucleic acids, proteins and metabolites in 96 well plates. Two deep well plates can be processed at one time for a total sample capacity of 192. Benchmark offers plates prefilled with one 4mm stainless steel ball in each well as well as empty 2ml deep well plates, EVA mat caps and additional sizes of stainless steel balls. Ball droppers (2.8, 4 and 5mm sizes) making filling plates easy. Homogenization in microplates requires the microplate adapter.



Microtubes

Like the microtube homogenizers in the Benchmark line, the BeadBlaster 96 can process various types of samples in 2ml tubes. Prefilled tubes and bulk grinding media are available for homogenizing microorganisms to animal and plant tissues and small insects. Maximum 2ml tube capacity is 64.



50ml Tubes

The 50ml tube adapter expands the use of the BeadBlaster 96 to larger samples and cultures that cannot be processed in a microtube homogenizer. This adapter is also useful for QuEChERS, taking the place of hand-shaking samples. Ceramic homogenizers can be added to QuEChERS tubes to keep samples evenly mixed. The 50 ml tubes and ceramic homogenizers are also useful for breaking down plant samples, such as cannabis/hemp, or mashing fruit and vegetable samples. Eight 50ml tubes can be processed in the BeadBlaster 96 at one time.





Grinding Jars and Balls

Different materials have different grinding requirements. Very hard samples require a jar and grinding balls that are just as hard or harder for effective sample preparation. Some samples are easily contaminated and require metal-free or inert grinding materials. Benchmark offers a variety of jars and balls to meet these differing needs. All of the jars feature threaded closures for leakproof performance with both solids and liquids.

Stainless Steel Jars

Stainless steel is a very hard material, and when combined with the stainless steel balls, provides for grinding of hard samples such as minerals, ores, polymers and circuit boards. Cryogrinding and also be performed with stainless steel jars and balls. These jars are available in 25ml and 50ml volumes with 10mm and 25mm grinding balls.



Tungsten Carbide Jars

Tungsten carbide is an exceptionally hard ceramic material. It is useful for grinding materials where the presence of trace metals may be a concern. Applications include preparation of samples for XRF and particle reduction of ores, minerals, metal oxides and cement clinkers. These jars are extremely durable and offer a long service life. 10mm tungsten carbide grinding balls and 25ml jars are available.





Before and after images of samples processed in the BeadBlaster 96

Zirconium Oxide Jars

Zirconium oxide is a chemically inert ceramic material. Not as hard as and less expensive than tungsten carbide, it is used for softer samples where trace metals from stainless steel may be a concern. These jars are ideal for grinding biological samples, plants, bones, teeth, soils and sludges. Jars are offered in a 35ml volume with 15mm zirconium oxide grinding balls.



PTFE (Teflon®) Jars

PTFE is the least hard of the materials used in the jars and is chosen for its inert properties. PTFE jars are metal-free and non-stick. They are highly temperature resistant, expanding their use to cryogrinding. PTFE jars are used for applications in the pharmaceutical field as well as for plants and other biological samples. The 15mm PTFE grinding balls have steel cores for a higher energy input. The jars are supplied as a 35ml volume.



Cryogrinding Kit

Cryogrinding requires jars to be submerged in liquid nitrogen for a period of time. Benchmark's cryogrinding kit includes an insulated container for the liquid nitrogen, tongs for handling the jars and gloves and goggles to protect the user.



Specifications and Ordering Information

Technical Data

Speed/Increments 180 to 1800rpm/100rpm

Ambient operating temp. 4°C to 40°C

Dimensions (WxDxH) 335 x 500 x 365mm Cycle duration 1 sec to 59 min: 59 sec

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120V, 60Hz or 220V, 50Hz Electrical Number of cycles Number of programs

Feed size

Final fineness*

200W, 6A

<10mm

<5µm

2 years *Dependent on sample material and grinding configuration

Ordering Information

IPD9600* BeadBlaster 96 Ball Mill Homogenizer for plates, tubes and jars

All accessories ordered separately. See below.

*120V. For 220V, add-E to catalog number

Accessories

Microplates		50ml Tubes	
IPD9600-96	Adapter for 96 well plates, set of 2,	IPD9600-50T	Adapter for 4x50ml tubes, set of 2
	required for processing microplates	IPD9600-3858-1	Ceramic homogenizers w/angled
IPD1196-40	96 well plate, 2ml, prefilled w/4mm balls,	1000100000001	ends, 3/8" x 5/8", pk of 100
IDD1106 MD	with sealing mat, 10/pk	IPD9600-3878-1	Ceramic homogenizers w/angled
IPD1196-MP IPD1196-CM	96 well plate, 2ml, square well, 10/pk EVA cap mat for above plate, 10/pk		ends, 3/8" x 7/8", pk of 100
	5 96 well ball dropper for 2.8mm balls		10.11
IPD9600-BD26 IPD9600-BD4	96 well ball dropper for 2.8mm balls	Grinding Jars and Balls	
		IPD9600-25S	Stainless steel jar, 25ml, set of 2
IPD9600-BD5 D1133-28	96 well ball dropper for 5mm balls 2.8mm stainless steel balls, 1000/pk	IPD9600-10BS	Stainless steel grinding ball, 10mm,
D1133-20	2.6Hill stailless steel balls, 1000/pk		500g
		IPD9600-50S	Stainless steel jar, 50ml, set of 2
Microtubes		IPD9600-25BS	Stainless steel grinding ball, 25mm,
IPD9600-1520	Adapter for 32x2ml tubes, PTFE, set of		each
	2, requires use of IPD9600-96	PD9600-25TC	Tungsten carbide jar, 25ml, set of 2
IPD9600-96A2	Rack for 20x2ml tubes, set of 2, requires use of IPD9600-96	IPD9600-10TCB	Tungsten carbide grinding ball, 10mm, each
IPD9600-96	Adapter for microplates and tube	IPD9600-35ZO	Zirconium oxide jar, 35ml, set of 2
	holders, set of 2	IPD9600-15ZOB	Zirconium oxide grinding ball, 15mm,
D1032-SK	Starter kit of TriplePure™ Prefilled Bead		each
	Tubes, 10 tubes each, prefilled with 0.1,	IPD9600-35PTFE	PTFE grinding jar, 35ml, set of 2
	0.5, 1.0, 1.5 and 3.0mm diameter beads,	IPD9600-15PTFB	PTFE grinding ball, steel core,15mm,
	certified nuclease and protease free		each
		IPD9600-CK	Cryo Kit, includes bucket, gloves, goggles and tongs, for use with liquid

Additional prefilled tubes available. Visit www.benchmarkscientific.com for details.

Don't see an adapter for your tubes? Contact us for custom racks and adapters.

