SYSTEM STARTUP

- 1. Fill the sheath tank to the weld line and verify the following:
 - Tank lid is properly sealed.
 - Tubing is not kinked.
- 2. Empty the waste tank and verify the following.
 - Tank contains sufficient bleach.
 - Tubing is not kinked.
 - Waste tank is not pressurizing, if so, replace the air filter.
- 3. Purge air bubbles from the sheath filter and sheath line if necessary.

SYSTEM SHUTDOWN

- 1. Install a 12 x 75 mm tube containing 3 ml of BD FACSClean (bleach solution) or 10% bleach in DI on the SIP.
- 2. Leave the support arm to the side for 1 minute; make sure the cytometer is in RUN, set on HI.
- 3. Place the support arm under the tube for 5 minutes.
- 4. Repeat steps 1 through 3 using BD FACSRinse solution (optional).
- 5. Repeat steps 1 through 3 using DI water.
- 6. Leave a tube containing 1 ml of DI water on the SIP with the support arm under the tube.
- 7. Set the cytometer to standby; turn off cytometer, exit FACS Diva and shut down the workstation.

SYSTEM MAINTENANCE

(performed by Flow Cyt Lab technician or designated alternate)

WEEKLY– Repeat system shutdown procedure to lower CVs, result of dirty flow cell.

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