

CYTOFLEX DAILY ROUTINES

1) STARTUP

- 1. Empty waste if necessary
- 2. Refill sheath fluid if necessary
- 3. Start computer, 'Beckman log in'
- 4. Switch on CytoFlex
- 5. Start CytExpert program
- 6. Select **Initialize**
- 7. Select **System startup program** (Cytometer menu)
- 8. Follow on screen instructions

2) QC

- 1. Locate QC plate with ready made QC solution from fridge
 - a. If older than 5 days mix new solution
 - i. Vortex QC beads thouroughly
 - ii. Place one drop in empty well
 - iii. Add 200ul deionized water
 - iv. Mark date and lot number on plate lid

2. Select Start QC/Standardization

- a. Verify lot number of QC beads is correct
- b. Select **Initialize**
- c. Select **Eject**
- d. Insert plate
- e. Select **Plate settings** verify position of well
- f. Verify plate type
- g. Verify that 'Mix' is checked, 3 sec
- h. Select **OK**
- i. Select Start
- j. Exit QC screen in File-> Close QC

3) SHUTDOWN

- 1. Select **Daily clean** (Cytometer menu)
- 2. Follow on screen instructions
- 3. Use shared Cleaning plate from fridge
- 4. Verify that correct wells are selected
- 5. Fill in log book
- 6. Remove plate and place in fridge
- 7. Close software, shut down computer and switch off CytoFlex