

# Using the Tecan M1000 and i-control software

1. Turn on instrument
2. Launch i-control software
3. When Connect to Instrument message displays, select 'infinite M1000' only. DO NOT ENABLE BUILT IN STACKER.
4. Instrument should begin initializing
5. When error 'machine has been on for xxxxx hrs...' displays, hit OK.
6. When software is ready, open your protocol. The default directory is:  
Public/Public Documents/Tecan/i-control/1.12/Scripts/.....
7. Open instrument to load plate by either using arrow buttons on i-control toolbar or the buttons on top of the instrument itself.
8. When plate is loaded, begin run by either hitting Start button on toolbar or closing the instrument door and then hit Start.
9. Excel should launch and populate with data from the instrument and protocol.
10. Data from additional plates will be added to the Excel file on a new worksheet.
11. Save your data to a flash drive when the run is complete.
12. Remove and discard plates in the appropriate biological trash receptacle.
13. Exit i-control and power off the plate reader. Thank you 😊