

Build a Cohort

Experimenter

 Assemble a reusable group of enrollees that runs can target.

Screen Cohorts cohorts.html

Writes the group cohort its members cohort_member

Key fields unique name cohort.name each member cohort_member.enrollee_id free-text note notes

1 · Given / When / Then

Human wording first; the exact table/field in `mono`.

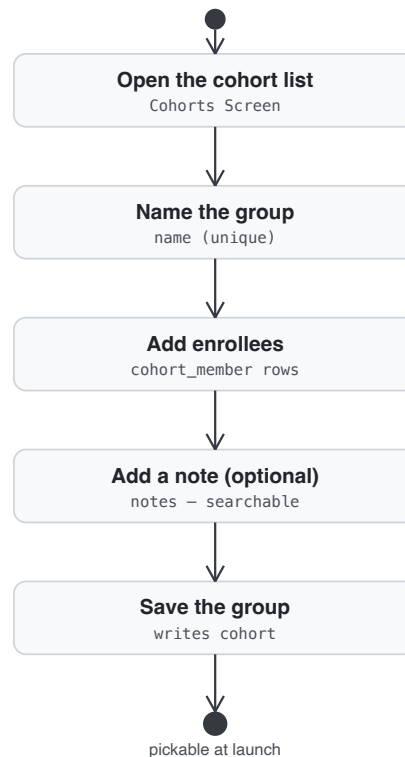
GIVEN	Enrollees exist as people (<code>profile</code> rows with role enrollee), invited on the Users & roles Screen . The experimenter has the experimenter or admin role.
WHEN	On the Cohorts Screen they create a group: a unique <code>name</code> , then hand-pick the people, optionally a <code>notes</code> line, and Save. Groups are always explicit rosters, so who is in a run is exact and reproducible.
THEN	A <code>cohort</code> row plus one <code>cohort_member</code> row per person is written. The group is a shared, reusable pool: any run can target it, and the same person may be in several groups. The one hard rule is enforced later, at launch: two runs that are live at the same time must target non-overlapping groups. writes <code>cohort</code> , <code>cohort_member</code>

Variations and exceptions	
IF...	THEN...
The name is already in use	Refused on save: <code>cohort.name</code> is unique across the install.
Any run references the group	Its name and membership are read-only and it cannot be deleted (<code>RESTRICT</code>); only <code>notes</code> stays editable. To run a changed roster, clone the group, so every run's enrollees stay exactly reproducible.
The same person is placed in two groups	Allowed. Overlap is checked only at launch, when a second concurrent run would target overlapping people (<i>Launch a Run</i>).

Acceptance test — *Given* enrollee profiles exist, *When* the experimenter saves a group with a unique name and N members, *Then* one `cohort` and N `cohort_member` rows exist and the group appears in the launch picker.

2 · The Journey, Screen by Screen

One screen; Save writes the group and its members.



3 · In Plain English

A cohort, also called an enrollee group, is a named list of people you want to run a study on, the equivalent of a class roster.

You hand-pick the people you want. Groups are reusable: build one once and point many runs at it.

One rule matters, and it applies only when runs are live at the same time. The same person cannot be in two running studies at once, or their answers would be shaped by two different conditions. You can still reuse a group over time, just not simultaneously.

Fits the schema cleanly. The group is `cohort` ; membership is `cohort_member` . The disjoint-cohort rule is a launch-time check, not a stored field.