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# **Sulfhydryl Coupling Resin**

### For Covalent Immobilization of Sulfhydryl Containing Proteins, Peptides & Ligands

(Cat. # 786-794, 786-795, 786-796, 786-806)



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#### **INTRODUCTION**

The Sulfhydryl Coupling Resin is designed for the simple and efficient coupling of peptides and proteins to a solid agarose support through free sulfhydryl groups. The iodoacetyl groups of the Sulfhydryl Coupling Resin specifically react with free sulfhydryls to form covalent, permanent thioether bonds (see figure). The long spacer arm reduces steric hindrance and ensures greater binding of proteins and antibodies during affinity purification.



#### **ITEM(S) SUPPLIED**

Cat. #	Description	Size
786-794	Sulfhydryl Coupling Resin	10ml resin
786-795	Sulfhydryl Coupling Resin	50ml resin
786-796	Sulfhydryl Coupling Resin	250ml resin
786-806	Sulfhydryl Coupling Resin	5 x 2ml columns

#### **STORAGE CONDITIONS**

Shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt store at 4°C, do NOT freeze.

#### **SPECIFICATIONS**

- Activity: 1mg sulfhydryl peptide/ml of resin, ~5mg reduced protein/ml resin
- Support: 6% Cross-linked Agarose

#### **IMPORTANT INFORMATION**

- Maleimides react with free sulfhydryls to form stable thioether bonds at pH 6.5-7.5. pH >7.5 significantly increases the reaction of amines with the maleimide groups.
- Some sulfhydryl-containing peptides and proteins may oxidize in solution and form disulfide bonds, which cannot react with maleimides. Disulfide bonds can be reduced to produce free sulfhydryls. The G-Biosciences Immobilized Reductant (Cat. # 786-148) enable peptide or protein reduction while recovering the sample in the absence of reducing agents.
- 3. Ellman's Reagent (Cat. # BC87) can be used to determine the amount of free sulfhydryls. (See Appendix)
- For peptides or proteins lacking sulfhydryls, SATA (N-Succinimidyl-Sacetylthioacetate) (Cat. # BC96) or Traut's Reagent (2-Iminothiolane hydrochloride) (Cat. # BC95) can be used to add sulfhydryls via amine modification. (See Appendix)

#### ADDITIONAL COMPONENTS REQUIRED

- Columns, glass or plastic. Choose a size applicable to the amount of resin used.
- Coupling Buffer (50mM Tris, 5mM EDTA, pH8.5); prepare > 20 column volumes.
- L-Cysteine HCl (Cat. # 786-713)
- 1M Sodium Chloride
- PBS with 0.05% sodium azide

#### **PROCEDURE FOR RESIN**

- 1. The ligand to be coupled must contain a free (reduced) sulfhydryl group. See appendix for information and quantifying and generating free sulfhydryls.
- Gently swirl the bottle of Sulfhydryl Coupling resin to achieve a homogenous suspension. Using a wide bore pipette transfer the resin slurry to an appropriate column. For every 1ml resin bed use 2ml 50% slurry.
   NOTE: Throughout the procedure ensure the resin in the gravity flow columns does not become dry. If necessary add additional Coupling Buffer and cap the bottom of

the column.

- 3. Equilibrate the column with 4 column volumes of Coupling Buffer.
- Prepare the reduced peptide/protein in Coupling Buffer and gently apply 1-2ml peptide/protein solution for every ml settled resin.
   NOTE: The binding capacity of the resin is 1mg sulfhydryl peptide/ml of resin, ~5mg

reduced protein/ml resin

**OPTIONAL:** Retain a small amount of peptide/protein solution to determine the coupling efficiency

- 5. Seal the column and incubate at room temperature for 15- 30minutes with tumbling or rocking.
- 6. Place the column and allow to settle by incubating for a further 10-15 minutes.
- 7. Remove the top then bottom cap and collect the flow through.
- 8. Wash the column with 3 column volumes of Coupling Buffer, discard the washes.
- Determine the coupling efficiency by measuring and comparing the peptide/protein concentrations of the flow through (Step 6) with the starting material (Step 3).
- 10. Prior to use, prepare a 50mM L-Cysteine•HCl in Coupling Buffer and add one column volume to the capped column.
- 11. Mix for 30 minutes at room temperature and then incubate for a further 15 minutes without mixing.
- 12. Remove the top then bottom cap and discard the flow through.
- 13. Wash the column with 6-10 column volumes 1M sodium chloride.
- 14. Wash the column with 2-4 column volumes degassed PBS with 0.05% sodium azide.
- 15. The column can now be stored at 4°C.

#### **PROCEDURE FOR SPIN COLUMNS**

- Briefly centrifuge the column at 1,000xg for 2 minutes to collect the resin. Remove the top cap and snap off the bottom tab. Transfer to a 15ml centrifuge tube and centrifuge at 1,000xg for 2 minutes to remove the storage buffer.
- 2. Equilibrate the column with 2ml Coupling Buffer. Apply the Coupling Buffer and then centrifuge at 1,000xg for 2 minutes. Discard the flow through. Repeat three more times.
- Prepare the reduced peptide/protein in Coupling Buffer and gently apply up to 3ml peptide/protein solution.
  OPTIONAL: Retain a small amount of peptide/protein solution to determine the coupling efficiency
- 4. Seal the column and incubate at room temperature for 15-30minutes with tumbling or rocking.
- 5. Place the column and allow to settle by incubating for a further 10-15 minutes.
- 6. Remove the top then bottom cap and collect the flow through by centrifuging at 1,000xg for 2 minutes.
- 7. Wash the column with 2ml Coupling Buffer, discard the wash. Repeat two more times.
- Determine the coupling efficiency by measuring and comparing the peptide/protein concentrations of the flow through (Step 6) with the starting material (Step 3).
- 9. Prior to use, prepare a 50mM L-Cysteine•HCl in Coupling Buffer and add 2ml to the capped column.
- 10. Mix for 30 minutes at room temperature and then incubate for a further 15 minutes without mixing.
- 11. Remove the top then bottom cap and collect the flow through by centrifuging at 1,000xg for 2 minutes.
- 12. Wash the column with 6-10 column volumes 1M sodium chloride.
- 13. Wash the column with 2-4 column volumes degassed PBS with 0.05% sodium azide.
- 14. The column can now be stored at 4°C.

#### APPENDIX

#### Ellman's Reagent (DTNB) Assay

- Make 10mM DTNB stock solution by dissolving 40mg DTNB in 10ml 0.1M Tris-HCl pH 7.5. The stock solution can be stored at 4°C for 3 months. Dilute the stock solution 100 fold with 0.1M Tris-HCl pH 7.5 to make 0.1mM DTNB working solution.
- Aliquot 950µl of 0.1mM DTNB work solution to each 1.5ml centrifuge tube. Add 50µl test sample and mix by brief vortexing. Set a blank by adding 50µl of 0.1M Tris-HCl pH 7.5 to 950µl of 0.1mM DTNB work solution.

**NOTE**: The test sample may need to be diluted before applied to the assay and the dilution factor should be recorded. The 50µl test sample applied to the assay reaction should have a sulfhydryl concentration less than 0.5mM. Concentrations exceeding 0.5mM free sulfhydryl will result in high absorbance values and less accurate estimation of the concentration based on the extinction coefficient.

- 3. Incubate 2 minutes at room temperature.
- 4. Measure the absorbance of the test sample with a spectrophotometer against blank at 412nm.
- 5. Calculate the concentration of free sulfhydryls in the sample from the molar extinction coefficient of NTB

 $(14.15 \text{ mM}^{-1} \text{ cm}^{-1})$  as follow:

mM free sulfhydryls = Absorbance / (path length x 14.15) x 20 x dilution factor Path length is the cuvette path length in centimeter (cm) 20 is the dilution factor of 50 $\mu$ l sample to 1ml assay volume

#### Use of SATA to add Sulfhydryls

SATA (N-Succinimidyl S-Acetylthioacetate) (Cat. # BC96) introduce protected sulfhydryls into proteins, peptides and other molecules. It is a NHS esters of S-acetylthioacetic acid.

- Immediately before reaction, dissolver ~7mg SATA in 0.5ml DMSO to give ~55mM solution.
- 2. Combine 1ml 2-10mg/ml protein solution in PBS with 10µl 55mM SATA.
- 3. Incubate at room temperature for 30 minutes
- Desalt the solution with a desalting column equilibrated with PBS. We recommend G-Biosciences SpinOUT<sup>™</sup> GT-600 (Cat. # 786-170).
- 5. Identify the fraction with the protein using absorbance at 280nm or a suitable assay.
- Combine 1ml SATA-modified protein with 100μl 0.5M hydroxylamine, 25mM EDTA in PBS.
- 7. Incubate for 2 hours at room temperature.
- 8. Desalt as before using PBS supplemented with 10mM EDTA.

#### Use of Traut's Reagent to add Sulfhydryls

Traut's Reagent (2-Iminothiolane) (Cat. # BC95) is a cyclic thioimidate compound for thiolation of primary amines.

- Dissolve the protein or peptide in a non-amine buffer at pH8.0. The addition of 2-5mM EDTA will prevent oxidation of generate sulfhydryls into disulfide bridges.
- Add 2 to 20 fold molar excess of Traut's reagent to the protein solution.
  NOTE: A 2mg/ml solution of Traut's reagent in water or buffer is a 14mM stock solution.
- 3. Incubate the solution for 1 hour at room temperature.
- Desalt the solution with a desalting column equilibrated with PBS with 2-5mM EDTA. We recommend G-Biosciences SpinOUT<sup>™</sup> GT-600 (Cat. # 786-170).

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