

Product Information

Mix-n-Stain™ APC-CF750T Antibody Labeling Kit

Size: 1 labeling per kit

Storage: -20°C

Stability: Stable for at least 3 months from date of receipt when stored as recommended.

Components:

Component	92310 25-50 ug labeling	92311 50-100 ug labeling
Modified APC-CF750T	92310A 1 vial	92311A 1 vial
Mix-n-Stain Reaction Buffer	99951-1 1 vial	99951 1 vial
Antibody Modifying Reagent	99807 1 vial	99807-1 1 vial
Mix-n-Stain Storage Buffer	99952-1 1 vial	99952 1 vial
Ultrafiltration vial	99956 1 vial	99956 1 vial

Materials required but not supplied: Phosphate buffered saline (PBS).

Product Application

Mix-n-Stain™ APC-CF750T antibody labeling kits contain everything you need to rapidly conjugate an antibody to a tandem dye (APC-CF750T). Choose the kit size corresponding to the amount of antibody you wish to label. After labeling, the APC-CF750T conjugate is stable for one month when stored at 4°C.

Mix-n-Stain APC-CF750T labeling can tolerate Tris, glycine, and sodium azide. A microcentrifuge ultrafiltration vial is provided in the kit to rapidly remove incompatible small molecule antibody stabilizers such as glycerol before labeling (see Table 1).

Biotium also offers Mix-n-Stain labeling kits for labeling antibodies with one of Biotium's next-generation fluorescent CF™ dyes, biotin, FITC in only 30 minutes without a purification step. Biotium's HRP antibody labeling kits can be used to conjugate antibodies to HRP in 3 hours.

Before you begin

Mix-n-Stain antibody labeling kits are optimized for labeling IgG antibodies. We do not recommend using them to label other proteins, because the degree of labeling may not be optimized. Mix-n-Stain labeling conditions may cause IgM antibodies to denature.

Check the compatibility of your antibody with the antibody compatibility guide below (Table 1). If your primary antibody is a commercial product, please contact the supplier to obtain the antibody concentration and formulation. Mix-n-Stain APC-CF750T labeling can tolerate Tris, glycine, and sodium azide. To remove glycerol, use the ultrafiltration vial provided in the kit to purify your antibody by following the steps in Section A.

If the antibody contains BSA or gelatin, or if the antibody is supplied as crude serum, ascites fluid, or hybridoma supernatant, purify the IgG prior to labeling using protein A purification or a commercial antibody clean-up kit, such as the Pierce Antibody Clean-Up Kit. Ultrafiltration will not remove stabilizer proteins from antibody solutions.

The optimal antibody concentration for labeling is 1-2 mg/mL. The ultrafiltration vial can be used to concentrate antibody solutions by following the steps in Section A. For quantitating antibodies of unknown concentration, Biotium offers the AccuOrange™ Protein Quantitation Kit (catalog no. 30071), a highly sensitive fluorescence-based protein assay.

Table 1. Mix-n-Stain™ APC-CF750T Antibody Compatibility and Labeling Protocol Selection Guide

Component	Compatibility
Sodium Azide	Compatible, proceed to Section B
Glycerol	Perform ultrafiltration (Section A)
Tris	Compatible, proceed to Section B
Glycine	Compatible, proceed to Section B
Ascites fluid	Not compatible, purify IgG
Serum	Not compatible, purify IgG
Hybridoma supernatant	Not compatible, purify IgG

A. Ultrafiltration Protocol

Important: An ultrafiltration vial is provided, for use in Step A (if required). Before you begin, use Table 1 (Mix-n-Stain™ Antibody Compatibility and Labeling Protocol Selection Guide) to determine whether your antibody requires ultrafiltration before labeling. If necessary, contact the manufacturer of your antibody to find out the concentration of IgG and antibody stabilizers. If your antibody does not require ultrafiltration, proceed to the labeling protocol (Section B).

The ultrafiltration column membrane has a molecular weight cut-off of 10,000. Therefore, molecules smaller than 10 kDa will flow through the membrane, and molecules larger than 10 kDa, including IgG antibodies, will be retained on the upper surface of the membrane (Figure 1). Take care not to touch the membrane with pipette tips, which could tear or puncture the membrane, resulting in loss of antibody. Additional ultrafiltration vials also can be purchased separately (cat. no. 22004).

Ultrafiltration Vial Capacities

Maximum Sample Volume: 500 µL

Final Concentrate Volume: 15 µL

Filtrate Receiver Volume: 500 µL

Hold-up Volume (Membrane/Support): < 5 µL

1. Add an appropriate amount of antibody to the membrane of the ultrafiltration vial, being careful not to touch the membrane. Spin the solution at 14,000 x g in a microcentrifuge for one minute. Check to see how much liquid has filtered into the filtrate collection tube (lower chamber). Repeat the centrifugation until all of the liquid has filtered into the collection tube. Discard the liquid in the collection tube.
2. For antibody concentration, proceed to Step 3. For clean-up, add an equal volume of 1X PBS to the membrane. Spin the vial at 14,000 x g until the liquid has filtered into the filtrate receiving tube.
3. Add an appropriate concentration of PBS to the membrane to obtain a final antibody concentration of 1-2 mg/mL. Carefully pipet the PBS up and down over the upper surface of the membrane to recover and resuspend the antibody.
4. Transfer the recovered antibody solution to a clean microtube.
5. Proceed to Section B.

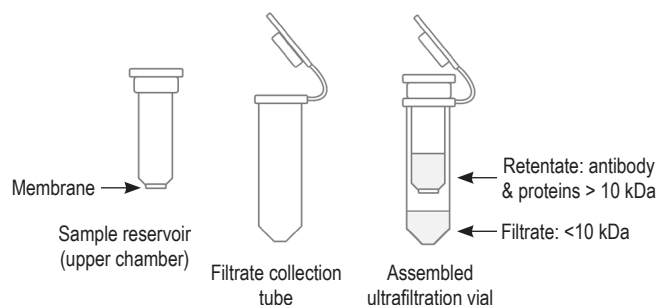


Figure 1. Ultrafiltration vial components.

B. Labeling Protocol

- Use your antibody at 1-2 mg/mL for optimal conjugation. The ultrafiltration vial can be used to concentrate antibody solutions by following the steps in Section A. If your antibody is in lyophilized form, reconstitute in phosphate buffered saline (PBS).
Note: the antibody can be dissolved in Tris, borate, carbonate or MOPS buffer. Antibody should be free of other proteins or preservatives such as BSA or gelatin.
- Add 1/10 of Mix-n-Stain Reaction Buffer to your antibody solution (for example, add 1 uL Mix-n-Stain Reaction Buffer to 9 uL of antibody solution).
- Add the above antibody solution to the vial of Antibody Modifying Reagent. Pipette the solution a few times up and down to mix with the Antibody Modifying Reagent. Briefly centrifuge the vial to collect the solution at the bottom of the vial.
- Incubate the solution at room temperature for 1 hour.
- Transfer the solution from step 4 to the vial containing Modified APC-CF750T and vortex to dissolve the APC-CF750T. If the lyophilized APC-CF750T is not totally dissolved, additional amount of 1XPBS can be added. A final concentration of 1 mg/mL of your IgG antibody is recommended (for example, if you start with 2 mg/mL, 25 uL IgG antibody solution, then add additional 25 uL 1XPBS). Vortex to completely dissolve the lyophilized APC-CF750T. Briefly centrifuge the vial to collect the solution at the bottom of the vial.
- Incubate the solution at room temperature in the dark for 1 hour.
- Add an appropriate amount of Mix-n-Stain Storage Buffer for your desired concentration and vortex to mix. Transfer the entire solution to the vial you choose and the antibody is now ready for staining.
- The APC-CF750T conjugate is stable for at least a month when stored at -20°C.

Related Products

Catalog #	Product Name	Unit Size
22004	Ultrafiltration vial, 10K MWCO	5 per pack
30071-T	AccuOrange™ Protein Quantitation Kit, trial size	200 assays
23005	CoverGrip™ Coverslip Sealant	15 mL
22005	Mini Super ^{HT} Pap Pen 2.5 mm tip, ~400 uses	1 pen
22006	Super ^{HT} Pap Pen 4 mm tip, ~800 uses	1 pen
30069	AccuEasy™ Flow Cytometry Kit	1 kit
23006	Flow Cytometry Fixation/Permeabilization Kit	50 tests
22015	Fixation Buffer	100 mL
22016	Permeabilization Buffer	100 mL
22017	Permeabilization and Blocking Buffer	100 mL
22010	10% Fish Gelatin Blocking Buffer	100 mL
22011	Fish Gelatin Powder	2 x 50 g
22014	30% Bovine Serum Albumin Solution	100 mL
22002	Tween®-20	50 mL

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