

Method guide for conjugating Smartbond Streptavidin to Horseradish Peroxidase RZ3 grade

1.0 Precautionary Notes

Some of the materials are hazardous and should be handled with consideration of country specific safety regulations e.g. COSHH, OSHA.

2.0 <u>Reagents</u> (to be prepared in purified water)

- A. 1 mM Sodium Acetate pH 4.4
- B. 0.1 M Sodium Periodate (protect from light e.g. prepare in amber vial)
- C. 10 mM Sodium Carbonate pH 9.5
- D. 0.2 M Sodium Carbonate pH 9.5
- E. 4 mg/ml Sodium Borohydride (prepare just before use; refer 3.8).
- F. Phosphate Buffered Saline pH 7.2

3.0 Procedure

- 3.1 Prepare a 4 mg/ml solution of Horseradish peroxidase (HRP) in Solution A.
- 3.2 Determine the amount of Solution B to add to the HRP solution by the following calculation: Volume of Solution B to add (in mls) = Volume of HRP Solution (in mls) x 0.19
- 3.3 Add Solution B to the HRP solution and stir at room temperature for 20 minutes (protect from light).
- 3.4 Prepare a 5 mg/ml solution of Smartbond Streptavidin in Solution C (mix gently by inversion) i.e. at least 1/5th of the selected volume of the HRP solution (see example table below).
- 3.5 Add 20 μ l of Solution D per ml of HRP stock solution prepared in step 3.1.
- 3.6 Determine the amount of Smartbond Streptavidin to add according to the following calculation: *Volume of Streptavidin to add (in mls) = Total Volume of Reaction Mixture (in mls) x 0.17*
- 3.7 Add the calculated amount of Smartbond Streptavidin and stir for 2 hours at room temperature.
- 3.8 Prepare Solution E and add to the reaction mixture according to the following calculation:

Volume of Sodium Borohydride to add (in mls) = Total Volume of Reaction Mixture (in mls) x 0.05

- 3.9 Stir the mixture for 2 hours at 4 °C.
- 3.10 Separate conjugated from unconjugated material by size exclusion chromatography: first concentrate (if applicable) to a volume which represents 2 % of the column volume using an ultrafiltration spin concentrator e.g. for example, based on volumes in the table below, concentrate to ~9 ml for a 2.6 cm (diameter) x 85 cm (length) packed column of S-200 HR resin equilibrated in Solution F.
- 3.11 Perform chromatography (with Solution F) and collect the 'first' major eluting protein peak.
- 3.12 For long term storage mix the 'conjugate' pool with glycerol (to 50 % v/v) and store at -20 °C.

Example:

Solution	Volume (ml)
HRP (4 mg/ml)	25
Solution B	4.8
Solution D	0.5
Streptavidin (5 mg/ml)	5.2
Sodium Borohydride (4 mg/ml)	1.8

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