

# HRP-IgG Conjugation Kit

## For labeling 1 x 1 mg IgG

### REAGENT STORAGE

The kit is shipped on blue ice. Please store kit components as described below.

Kit Component	Storage Temp	Storage Notes
Concentrated Activator	-20°C	Keep the vial in the desiccated container as supplied in the kit
HRP-Z™	-20°C or 2-8°C	Does not need to be kept desiccated.
Quenching Reagent	-20°C or 2-8°C	Does not need to be kept desiccated.

### INTRODUCTION

Horseradish Peroxidase is widely used as an enzymatic label in immunochemistry assays such as ELISA. Preparing stable and reproducible antibody-HRP conjugates is one of the biggest challenges of developing immunoassays. The HRP-IgG conjugation kit utilizes a highly robust chemistry to generate highly reproducible IgG-HRP conjugates with a simple procedure. The resulting conjugates have been shown to be extremely stable, retaining 94% activity after storage for 95 days at 37° when stored at a concentration of 0.5 µg/mL.

### FEATURES

- Liquid-based reagents.
- Completely scalable: conjugate anywhere from 10 µg to 1 gram IgG per reaction.
- Supplies sufficient activated HRP to conjugate all IgG at a 4:1 HRP:IgG ratio.
- Highly efficient HRP incorporation - purification not usually necessary.
- Customize the HRP:IgG ratio to create optimized conjugates for different applications.
- Conjugates have greatly improved stability vs Lightning-Link™ and traditional chemistry.

### PRODUCT and CONTENTS

Catalog Number	HRP-Link-AF
<b>For Labeling:</b>	<b>1 x 1 mg IgG</b>
Concentrated Activator	10 µL
HRP-Z™ - Activated HRP (20 mg/ml)	60 µL
1X Quenching Reagent	25 µL

### ADDITIONAL REAGENTS REQUIRED BUT NOT SUPPLIED

1X Phosphate Buffered Saline (1X PBS), pH 7.2-7.5

Deionized water (dH<sub>2</sub>O)

Desalting columns (see Accessories section)

## **SHELF LIFE**

The performance of the product is guaranteed for a minimum of 12 months when stored as directed.

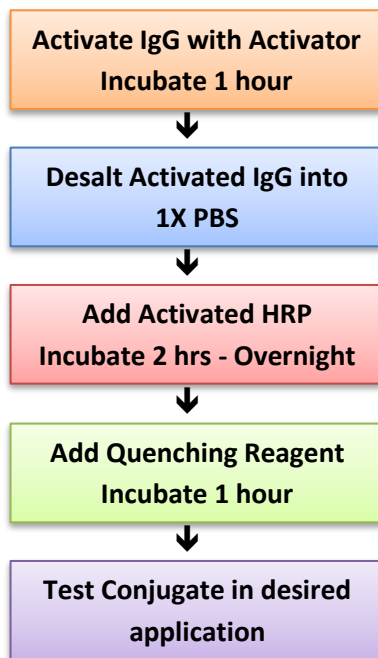
## **IgG Requirements**

The IgG to be labeled should be at a minimum concentration of 0.8 mg/ml in pure 1X PBS and should not contain any preservatives or carriers such as sodium azide, Proclin 300 or BSA.

## **HRP:IgG Molar Ratio**

This kit utilizes a 4:1 HRP:IgG molar ratio which is optimal for most conjugations reaction. However, lower or higher ratios may give better results depending upon the antibody characteristics and the intended end-use. To change the HRP:IgG molar ratio, vary the volume of HRP-Z™ added to the conjugation reaction (Step 8).

## **CONJUGATION PROCEDURE - OVERVIEW**



## **BEFORE BEGINNING THE PROCEDURE**

Remove the Concentrated Activator from the freezer. **Important:** Allow sufficient time to let the container and contents come to room temperature before opening the outer and inner vials.

**Note:** The jar containing the Activator can be removed from the freezer up to 24 hours before use.

## **DETAILED CONJUGATION PROCEDURE**

**Note:** This protocol can be split up to make multiple smaller sized reactions. The reaction volumes of steps 5 and 8 are directly proportional to the amount of starting material from step 1.

1. Measure the absorbance of the IgG solution at 280 nm using PBS as a blank. Divide the A280 by 1.40 to obtain the IgG concentration in mg/ml.
2. Dilute IgG to 1.20 mg/ml in 1X PBS (0.80 – 1.4 mg/ml is acceptable).
3. Add 1.0 mg of IgG solution to a new microcentrifuge tube.
4. Prepare a working dilution (1X) of Activator from Concentrated Activator in deionized water:
  - a. Add 2.0  $\mu$ L of Concentrated Activator to 60  $\mu$ L of deionized water.
  - b. Immediately vortex to mix the solution thoroughly.

**Note:** The 1X Activator must be used within 5 minutes of preparation. If more than 5 minutes passes before use, discard the 1X Activator and prepare a fresh solution.

5. Add 10.0  $\mu$ L of 1X Activator to the 1 mg aliquot of IgG and then mix thoroughly by gentle vortexing.
6. Incubate the solution at room temperature for 1 hour.

**Note:** A longer incubation is not harmful and even overnight incubations will be successful.

7. Desalt the complete reaction volume into pure 1X PBS. We recommend Pierce Zeba desalting spin columns with a 7 Kd MW cutoff for small volumes of IgG. Use of gravity desalting columns, dialysis, and extensive washing with centrifugal filter units for desalting is also acceptable.

**Note:** The activated IgG is stable and can be stored at 2-8°C for at least 4 months.

8. Add 60  $\mu$ L of HRP-Z<sup>TM</sup> to the desalted, activated IgG and mix by gentle vortexing.
9. Incubate the solution at room temperature for 2-24 hours.

**Note:** Usable conjugates are produced after only 2 hours incubation. Larger and more potent conjugates will be produced after longer incubations.

10. Add 12  $\mu$ L of Quenching Reagent to the reaction and mix by gentle vortexing.
11. Incubate the solution at room temperature for 1 hour.

**Note:** A longer incubation is not harmful and overnight incubations will be successful.

12. Conjugate is ready for use. Store at 2-8°C.

**Note:** To improve conjugate performance, it may help to purify the conjugate from the unincorporated HRP and reaction components by size exclusion chromatography.

**RECOMMENDED ACCESSORIES**

For desalting IgG after activation - Order from ThermoFisher:

<b>Sample Size</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cat #</b>
2 – 12 $\mu$ L	Zeba Spin Desalting Columns, Micro (75 $\mu$ L), 7K MWCO	89877, 89878
30 - 130 $\mu$ L	Zeba Spin Desalting Columns, 0.5mL, 7K MWCO	89882, 89883
200 – 700 $\mu$ L	Zeba Spin Desalting Columns, 2mL, 7K MWCO	89889, 89890
500 – 2000 $\mu$ L	Zeba Spin Desalting Columns, 5mL, 7K MWCO	89891, 89892
700 – 4000 $\mu$ L	Zeba Spin Desalting Columns, 10mL, 7K MWCO	89893, 89894

For concentrating IgG before or after activation or for concentrating the final conjugate – Order from MilliporeSigma:

<b>Sample Size</b>	<b>Description</b>	<b>Cat #</b>
Up to 500 $\mu$ L	Amicon Ultra-0.5 Centrifugal Filter Unit with Ultracel-50 membrane	Z740176
Up to 2 mL	Amicon Ultra-2 Centrifugal Filter Unit with Ultracel-50 membrane	UFC205024
Up to 4 mL	Amicon Ultra-4 Centrifugal Filter Unit with Ultracel-50 membrane	UFC805008
Up to 15 mL	Amicon Ultra-15 Centrifugal Filter Unit with Ultracel-50 membrane	Z648000