# INSTRUCTIONS





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# Description

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**PMPI** (*N*-[p-maleimidophenyl] isocyanate), 50mg

Formula:  $C_{11}H_6N_2O_3$ Spacer arm: 8.7 Å

Molecular weight: 214.18

**Storage:** Upon receipt store at 4°C protected from moisture. Product is shipped at ambient temperature.

## Introduction

Thermo Scientific PMPI is a sulfhydryl- and hydroxyl-reactive crosslinker. The isocyanate end of PMPI reacts with hydroxyl groups to form urethane (carbamate) linkages. Isocyanate reactivity is efficient, but isocyanates are also subject to hydrolysis, releasing CO<sub>2</sub> and leaving an aromatic amine in its place. The maleimide end reacts with sulfhydryl groups at pH 6.5-7.5 to form stable thioether bonds.

#### **Product Information**

- PMPI is moisture-sensitive. To avoid moisture condensation onto the product, vial must be equilibrated to room temperature before opening.
- Isocyanates readily hydrolyze in aqueous buffers; therefore, organic solvents such as DMSO or DMF are preferred. In aqueous environments, use alkaline buffer conditions (pH 8.5) and avoid hydroxylic buffers such as Tris. If the isocyanate group will be reacted first in an aqueous environment, the hydroxyl-containing molecule must lack both amines and sulfhydryls or polymerization can occur (above pH 7.5 maleimides lose specificity for sulfhydryls and react with both amines and sulfhydryls).
- For best results, use at least a 10-fold molar excess of PMPI over hydroxyls.
- If sulfhydryls are not present, they may be created through disulfide reduction or through thiolation with 2-Iminothiolane (Product No. 26101) or SATA (Product No. 26102).
- Molecules to be reacted with the maleimide moiety must have free (reduced) sulfhydryls. Reduce peptide disulfide bonds with Thermo Scientific Immobilized TCEP Disulfide Reducing Gel (Product No. 77712). For proteins, reduce disulfide bonds using 5mM TCEP (1:100 dilution of Thermo Scientific Bond-Breaker TCEP Solution, Product No. 77720) for 30 minutes at room temperature, followed by two passes through a suitable desalting column (e.g., Thermo Scientific Zeba Spin Desalting Columns). Selective reduction of hinge-region disulfide bonds in IgG can be accomplished with 2-mercaptoethylamine•HCl (2-MEA, Product No. 20408). Sulfhydryls can be added to molecules using *N*-succinimidyl *S*-acetylthioacetate (SATA, Product No. 26102) or 2-iminothiolane•HCl (Traut's Reagent, Product No. 26101), which modify primary amines.



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89891 Zeba Spin Desalting Columns, 5 × 5mL columns for desalting 500-2000μL samples

20673 Dimethylformamide (DMF), Sequanal grade, 50mL
 20688 Dimethylsulfoxide (DMSO), Sequanal grade, 950mL

#### **General Reference**

Annunziato, M.E., et al. (1993). p-Maleimidophenyl isocyanate: A novel heterobifunctional linker for hydroxyl to thiol coupling. Bioconjugate Chem 4:212-8.

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