

Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent

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Description

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Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent (Sulfo-SHPP), 100mg (sulfosuccinimidyl-3-[4-

hydroxyphenyl]propionate)

Molecular Weight: 365.29

Storage: Upon receipt store at -20°C. Product is shipped at ambient temperature.

Introduction

The Thermo Scientific™ Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent (Sulfo-SHPP) conjugates tyrosine-like residues to primary amines for increasing the yield of subsequent iodination. The reagent is ideal for iodinating proteins that do not contain tyrosine residues or contain tyrosine residues with limited accessibility to iodination. Labeling with Sulfo-SHPP also can help to preserve tyrosine residues that are essential for protein function or immunogenicity.

Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent contains an *N*-hydroxysuccinimide (NHS) ester reactive group. NHS esters react efficiently with primary amino groups (-NH₂) in pH 7-9 buffers to form stable amide bonds. The side chain of lysine (K) residues and the N-terminus of each polypeptide contain a primary amine available for labeling. The sulfonated NHS ester of Sulfo-SHPP provides increased reagent solubility in comparison to the non-sulfonated form of Bolton-Hunter Reagent, which is no longer commercially available.

Procedure for Iodinating Purified Protein

The following protocol describes modification of a protein (avidin is the example) before iodination.²

Materials Required

- Modification Buffer: 200mM borate buffer, pH 9.0
- Avidin (Product No. 21121)
- Phosphate-buffered saline (PBS): 0.1M sodium phosphate, 150mM sodium chloride, pH 7.2 (Product No. 28372)

Method

- 1. Dissolve 190mg of avidin in 2mL of Modification Buffer.
- 2. Immediately before use dissolve 5mg of Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent in 1mL of Modification Buffer. (Alternatively, add 0.5mg of the reagent directly to the avidin solution and then skip Step 3.)
- 3. Add 100µL of the Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent solution to the avidin solution.
- 4. Incubate on ice for 3 hours with periodic mixing.
- 5. Remove the non-reacted Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent by dialyzing against PBS or other suitable buffer.
- 6. Radiolabel with ¹²⁵I using Thermo ScientificTM PierceTM Iodinating Reagents.



Protocol for Iodinating Cell Surface Proteins

The following general protocol uses Water-Soluble Bolton-Hunter Reagent (Thompson, et al.).

Materials

- DMSO
- Sodium phosphate buffer: 50mM sodium phosphate, pH 7.5
- Chloramine-T: just before use, prepare 5mg/mL chloramine-T in sodium phosphate buffer
- Hydroxyphenyl acetic acid: just before use, prepare 1mg/mL in water
- Sodium metabisulfite: just before use, prepare 12mg/mL in sodium phosphate buffer
- Borate buffer: 0.1M sodium borate, pH 8.3
- Cells: 10⁷-10⁹ cells/mL in Borate buffer.
- Na¹²⁵I
- Glycine buffer: 0.1M glycine in sodium borate buffer
- Phosphate-buffered saline (PBS): 100mM sodium phosphate, 150mM sodium chloride, pH 7.2 (Product No. 28372)

Method

- 1. Immediately before use, prepare 0.1mg/mL Water-soluble Bolton-Hunter reagent in DMSO. Place 1-20μL of this solution into a microcentrifuge tube.
- 2. The following reagents must be added in the specified order: quickly add 1-20μL of 100mCi/mL of Na¹²⁵I, 10μL of chloramine-T solution, 100μL of hydroxyphenyl acetic acid, and 10μL of sodium metabisulfite.
- 3. Add 100µCi of ¹²⁵I-labeled Bolton-Hunter Reagent to 1mL of cells and incubate for 30 minutes on ice.
- 4. Stop the reaction with 100μL of 0.1M glycine buffer.
- 5. Incubate cells for 15 minutes on ice.
- 6. Wash cells three times with PBS. This step removes any non-conjugated ¹²⁵I-labeled Bolton-Hunter Reagent and labeled internal components released by autolysis.

Related Thermo Scientific Products

28372	BupH™ Phosphate Buffered Saline Packs , 40 each
69576	Slide-A-Lyzer $^{\text{TM}}$ MINI Dialysis Device Kit, 10K MWCO, 0.1mL
43233	Pierce Dextran Desalting Columns, 5 × 10mL columns
28665	Pierce Iodination Beads, 50 beads
28601	Pierce Iodination Tubes, 10 tubes
28600	Pierce Iodination Reagent, 1g

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