

Antibody Biotin Labeling Kit (#BN01051)

(Store at 4°C)

Cat. No. BN01051, contains sufficient reagents to label and purify 5 x 1 mg of antibody

I. Introduction:

Assay Genie's Antibody Biotin Labeling Kit provides an easy way to label antibodies with Biotin in a user-friendly spin column format. Due to its high affinity for tetrameric avidin proteins, biotin is ideal for labeling antibodies. Each pair of spin columns provided in the kit can be used to purify up to 1 mg of the labeled target protein. The kit provides all of the reagents necessary to perform five labeling reactions using up to 1 mg of antibody per reaction. The biotin-labeled antibody can be directly used for multiple downstream applications including ELISA, western blot, Immunohistochemistry, Immunoassays, etc.

II. Applications:

- Biotin labeled antibodies can be used for ELISA, western blot, Immunohistochemistry, Immunoassays, etc.

III. Kit Contents:

Components	BN01051	Cap Code	Part Number
Biotin	5 vials	Red	BN01051-1
Spin Column	10 columns	-	BN01051-2
Elution Buffer	10 ml	NM	BN01051-3

IV. User Supplied Reagents and Equipment:

- Microcentrifuge, DMSO/DMF, and fresh 0.1 M Sodium Bicarbonate buffer (pH 8.5-9.0).

V. Reagent Preparation and Storage Conditions:

Store the kit at 4°C, protected from light. Read the entire protocol before performing the experiment. Briefly spin small vials prior to opening. Bring the kit components to room temperature before use.

VI. Antibody Biotin Labeling Protocol:

A. Antibody Solution Preparation: The volume of antibody solution should not exceed 100 µl. For best results, use 100 µl of ~5-10 mg/ml antibody.

Note: Buffers that contain primary amines (e.g. Tris or glycine) interfere with the intended Biotin conjugation. Dialyze the antibody using **Assay Genie's Dialyzer tubes** against 0.1 M sodium bicarbonate buffer (pH 8.5-9.0) just before labeling experiment is performed to remove the primary amines.

B. Labeling Reaction: Each vial of Biotin is sufficient for labeling of 1 mg of antibody. Reconstitute one vial of Biotin with 5-10 µl of DMSO or DMF just before use. Dissolve completely by pipetting up and down. Transfer 100 µl of the prepared antibody to a 1.5 ml microcentrifuge tube. Add reconstituted Biotin solution and mix well by pipetting up and down. Incubate at room temperature on rotary shaker or mixer for 1 hr. Total volume at this stage should not exceed 110 µl.

Note: If the amount of antibody is less than 1 mg, the amount of Biotin also needs to be lowered accordingly to avoid over-labeling of antibody.

C. Purification of Labeled Antibody:

- During the labeling reaction, snap off the bottom closure of Spin Column and place in a fresh microcentrifuge tube. Centrifuge at ~1500 x g for 1 min. to remove the residual storage buffer. Discard the flow through and wash the resin with 110 µl of Elution Buffer. Close the cap and centrifuge at 1500 x g for 1 min. Discard the flow through. Repeat this washing step for at least a total of three times.
- Load the labeling reaction mix (max. 110 µl) to the first spin column drop by drop. Centrifuge the column for 2 min. at 1500 x g to collect the eluant.
- Transfer the eluant onto the second unused spin column drop by drop. Centrifuge the column for 2 min. at 1500 x g to collect the labeled antibody.
- Optional: Dialyze the labeled antibody in the dark against a desired storage buffer containing 20-30% glycerol and if necessary, add carrier protein (e.g. BSA) after the dialysis. Store the dialyzed antibody in a tube wrapped with aluminum foil at 4°C (for short term) or -20°C (for long term).

D. Calculations (Optional): In some cases, it is advantageous to determine the number of molecules of Biotin per molecule of antibody (the degree of labeling). For that, calculate the concentration of antibody by measuring the absorbance of the labeled antibody at 280 nm (A_{280}). It may be necessary to dilute the labeled antibody in Elution Buffer before measuring absorbance. Calculate the number of Biotin(s) per molecule of antibody using Assay Genie's **Biotin Quantitation Kit (Colorimetric)**.

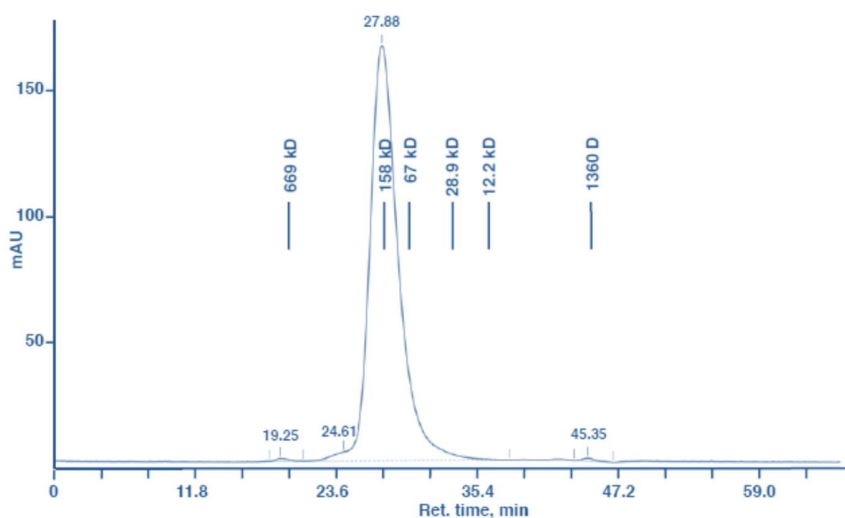


Figure: SEC chromatogram of an Anti-BSA IgG labeled with Biotin using a Superdex 200 HR 10/30 column at 0.5 ml/min. in 50 mM Tris and 0.25 M NaCl pH 7.5. The absorbance was monitored at 280 nm. The spin column format ensured that the purification of antibody was fast and there was no unreacted Biotin left after the antibody was purified according to the kit protocol.

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