Buccutite™ Rapid APC IgM Antibody Labeling Kit *Optimized for Labeling 25 ug Antibody Per Reaction*

Catalog number: 79060
Unit size: 2 Labelings

Component	Storage	Amount (Cat No. 79060)
Component A: Buccutite™ FOL-Activated APC	Refrigerated (2-8 °C), Minimize light exposure	2 vials
Component B: Buccutite™ MTA	Refrigerated (2-8 °C), Minimize light exposure	2 vials
Component C: Reaction Buffer	Refrigerated (2-8 °C), Minimize light exposure	1 vial (20 µL)

OVERVIEW

Buccutite™ Rapid APC IgM Antibody Labeling Kit provides a convenient method for conjugating IgM antibodies with APC, a red fluorescent protein with excitation and emission maxima of ~651 nm and ~662 nm. AAT Bioquest offers this Buccutite™ rapid labeling kit to facilitate APC conjugation to antibodies and other proteins such as streptavidin and secondary reagents. The kit includes preactivated APC and reaction buffer, enabling a simple labeling workflow consisting of two mixing steps without the need for additional purification. Each kit supports two labeling reactions, each for up to 25 µg of antibody. Buccutite™ chemistry enables conjugation through amine groups that are abundant in proteins, avoiding the need for antibody reduction steps required in conventional SMCC-based thiol conjugation methods. The resulting APC-labeled conjugates are suitable for applications including flow cytometry and other fluorescence-based detection workflows.

AT A GLANCE

Protocol Summary

1. Add 1.25 µL of the Reaction Buffer (Component C) to the antibody solution (25 µL).
2. Add 2.5 µL Buccutite™ MTA working solution.
3. Incubate at room temperature for 30 - 60 minutes.
4. Mix with 50 µL Buccutite™ FOL-Activated APC working solution.
5. Incubate at room temperature for 60 minutes.

Important Note

Upon receipt, store the kit at 4 °C. When stored properly, the kit should be stable for six months. Alternatively, Components A and B can be stored at ≤-20 °C. Do not freeze the Reaction Buffer (Component C). Warm all the components and centrifuge the vials briefly before opening. Immediately prepare the required solutions before starting your conjugation. The following SOP is an example for labeling goat anti-mouse IgG antibody.

PREPARATION OF WORKING SOLUTION

IgM antibody working solution

For labeling 25 µg antibody (assuming the target antibody concentration is 1 mg/mL), mix 1.25 µL (5% of the total reaction volume) of Reaction Buffer (Component C) with 25 µL of the target antibody solution.

Note: If you have a different concentration, adjust the antibody volume accordingly to make ~25 µg antibody available for your labeling reaction.

Note: The antibody should be dissolved in 1X phosphate buffered saline (PBS), pH 7.2-7.4; If the antibody is dissolved in glycine buffer, it must be dialyzed against 1X PBS, pH 7.2-7.4, or use Amicon Ultra-0.5, Ultracel-10 Membrane, 10 kDa (Cat. # UFC501008 from Millipore) to remove free amines or ammonium salts (such as ammonium sulfate and ammonium acetate) that are widely used for antibody precipitation.

Note: Impure antibodies or antibodies stabilized with bovine serum albumin (BSA) or gelatin will not be labeled well.

Note: The antibody –Buccutite™ MTA reaction efficiency is significantly reduced if the antibody concentration is less than 1 mg/mL. For optimal labeling efficiency the final antibody concentration range of 1-10 mg/mL is recommended.

Buccutite ™ MTA working solution

Add 10 µL DMSO (Not provided) into the vial of Buccutite ™ MTA (Component B).

Note Store any unused Buccutite™ MTA working solution at ≤-20 °C for up to 4 weeks.

Buccutite ™ FOL-Activated APC working solution

Add 50 µL ddH_2O into the vial of Buccutite ™ FOL-Activated APC (Component A).

SAMPLE EXPERIMENTAL PROTOCOL

Run IgM Antibody-Buccutite™ MTA reaction

1. Add 2.5 µL of Buccutite ™ MTA working solution into antibody working solution, and mix them well by repeatedly pipetting for a few times or vortex the vial for a few seconds.
2. Keep the antibody- Buccutite ™ MTA reaction mixture at room temperature for 30 - 60 minutes.

   Note: The antibody-Buccutite™ MTA reaction mixture can be rotated or shaken for longer time if desired.

Make IgM Antibody-APC conjugation

1. Add 50 µL of Buccutite™ FOL-Activated APC working solution with AntibodyBuccutite™ MTA solution, mix well by repeatedly pipetting for a few times or vortex the vial for a few seconds.
2. Incubate for 1 to 2 hours.
3. The antibody-APC conjugate is now ready to use

   Note: For immediate use, the antibody-APC conjugate need be diluted with the buffer of your choice.

   Note: For longer term storage, antibody-APC conjugate solution need be concentrated or freeze dried.

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Storage of IgM Antibody-APC Conjugate

The antibody conjugate should be stored in the presence of a carrier protein (e.g., 0.1% bovine serum albumin) and 0.02-0.05% sodium azide. The Ab-APC conjugate solution could be stored at 4 °C for two months without significant change and kept from light.

Table 1. Available fluorophores at AAT Bioquest Buccutite™ Rapid Antibody Labelling Kits

Cat#	Labels	Ex (nm)	Em (nm)
1312	PE	565	575
1340	PE-Cy5	565	674
1341	PE-Cy5.5	565	700
1342	PE-Cy7	565	780
1343	PE-Texas Red	565	600
1313	APC	651	662
1347	APC-iFluor® 700	651	713
1350	APC-Cy5.5	651	700
1351	APC-Cy7	651	780
1353	PerCP	482	677
1348	APC-iFluor® 750	651	791

EXAMPLE DATA ANALYSIS AND FIGURES

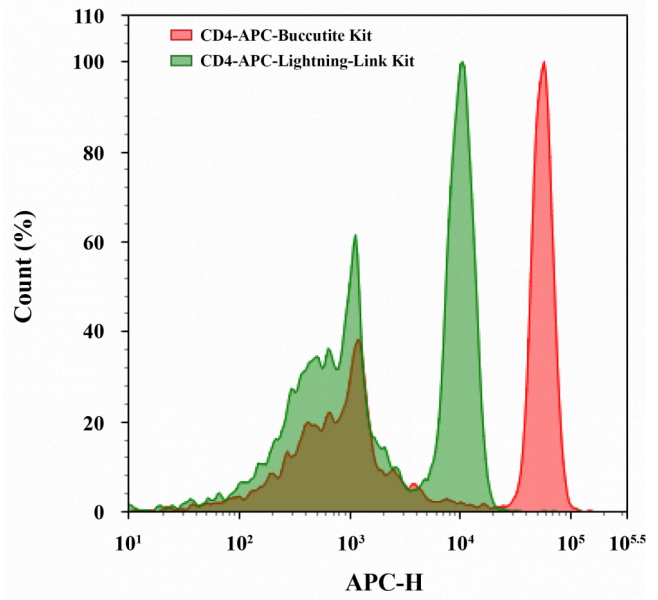


Figure 1. Flow cytometry analysis of CD4 PBMC populations. Anti-human CD4 monoclonal antibody was labeled using Buccutite™ Rapid APC Antibody Labeling Kit (Cat No. 1313) or Lightning-Link® Rapid APC Antibody Labeling Kit according to manufacturers' instructions. CD4 PBMC populations were then stained and the fluorescence signal was monitored using an ACEA NovoCyte flow cytometer in the APC channel.

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