AmpliteTM Fluorimetric Peroxidase Assay Kit *Near Infrared Fluorescence*

Ordering Information:	Storage Conditions:	Instrument Platform:
Product Number: 11553 (500 assays)	Keep in freezer Avoid exposure to light	Fluorescence microplate readers

Introduction

Horseradish Peroxidase (HRP) is a small molecule (MW ~40 KD) that is widely used in a variety of biological detections. HRP conjugates are extensively used as secondary detection reagents in ELISAs, immunohistochemical techniques, Northern, Southern and Western blot analyses. Due to its small size, it rarely causes steric hindrance problem with the antibody/antigen complex formation. It is usually conjugated to an antibody in a 4:1 ratio. Additionally, HRP is inexpensive compared to other labeling enzymes. The major disadvantage associated with peroxidase is their low tolerance to many preservatives such as sodium azide that inactivates peroxidase activity even at low concentration.

We offer this quick HRP assay in a one-step, homogeneous, no wash assay system. Our AmpliteTM Peroxidase Assay Kit uses AmpliteTM IR, our near infrared flurogenic HRP substrate to quantify peroxidase in solution. AmpliteTM IR generates a substance that has maximum absorption of 647 nm with maximum emission at 670 nm. This near infrared absorption and fluorescence minimize the assay background that is often caused by the autoabsorption and/or autofluorescence of biological samples that rarely absorb light beyond 600 nm. The kit can be used for ELISAs, characterizing kinetics of enzyme reaction and high throughput screenings, etc. The kit provides an optimized "mix and read" assay protocol that is compatible with HTS liquid handling instruments. It can detect as low as 1 mU/mL of HRP (Figure1). The assay can be performed in a convenient 96-well or 384-well microtiter-plate format and easily adapted to automation without a separation step. Its signal can be easily read by either a fluorescence microplate reader at Ex/Em = 600 to 650/650 to 690 nm (maximum Ex/Em = 640 /680 nm) or an absorbance microplate reader at 647±5 nm.

Kit Key Features					
Broad Application:	Can be used for quantifying HRP activities in solutions and solid surfaces (e.g, ELISA)				
Sensitive:	Detect as low as 1 mU/mL of HRP in solution.				
Continuous:	Easily adapted to automation without a separation step.				
Convenient:	<i>Convenient:</i> Formulated to have minimal hands-on time. No wash is required.				
Non-Radioactive:	No special requirements for waste treatment.				

Kit Components

Components	Amount
Component A: Amplite [™] IR Peroxidase Substrate	1 vial
Component B: H_2O_2	1 vial (3% stabilized solution, 200 μL)
Component C: Assay Buffer	1 bottle (100 mL)
Component D: Horseradish Peroxidase	1 vial (20 units)
Component E: DMSO	1 vial (1 mL)

Assay Protocol for One 96-Well Plate

Brief Summary

Prepare peroxidase reaction mixture (50 μ L) \rightarrow Add peroxidase standards or test samples (50 μ L) \rightarrow Incubate at room temperature for 30-60 minutes \rightarrow Read fluorescence intensity at Ex/Em = 640/ 680 nm

Note: Thaw all the kit components at room temperature before starting the experiment.

1. Prepare stock solutions:

- 1.1 <u>AmpliteTM IR Peroxidase Substrate stock solution (100X)</u>: Add 250 μL of DMSO (Component E) into the vial of AmpliteTM IR Peroxidase Substrate (Component A). The stock solution should be used promptly, and any remaining solution should be aliquoted and refrozen at -20 °C. *Note: Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.*
- 1.2 <u>20 U/mL HRP stock solution</u>: Add 1 mL of Assay Buffer (Component C) into the vial of Horseradish Peroxidase (Component D).
 Note: The unused HRP solution should be divided into single use aliquots and stored at -20°C.
- 1.3 <u>20 mM H₂O₂ stock solution</u>: Add 22.7 μL of 3% H₂O₂ (0.88 M, Component B) into 977μL of Assay Buffer (Component C).
 Note: The diluted H₂O₂ solution is not stable. The unused portion should be discarded.

2. Prepare peroxidase reaction mixture:

Prepare the peroxidase reaction mixture according to the following table and keep from light:

Table 1. Proxidase Reaction mixture for one 96-well plate (2X)

Components	Volume
Amplite TM IR Peroxidase Substrate stock solution (100X, from Step 1.1)	50 µL
20 mM H ₂ O ₂ stock solution (from Step 1.3)	50 µL
Assay Buffer (Component C)	4.9 mL
Total volume	5 mL

3. Prepare serial peroxidase (0 to 300 mU/mL) standard solutions:

Warning 1: The component A is unstable in the presence of thiols such as DTT and β-mercaptoethanol. Thiols higher than 10 uM (final concentration) would significantly decrease the assay dynamic range.
 2: NADH and glutathione (reduced form: GSH) may interfere with the assay.

- 3.1 Add 15 μL of 20 U/mL HRP stock solution (from Step 1.2) into 985 μL of Assay Buffer (Component C) to get 300 mU/mL peroxidase solution.
- 3.2 Take 200 µL of 300 mU/mL HRP stock solution to perform 1:3 serial dilutions to get 100, 30, 10, 3, 1, 0.3 and 0 mU/mL standard peroxidase solutions.
- 3.3 Add peroxidase standards and peroxidase-containing test samples into a 96-well solid black microplate as described in Tables 2 and 3.

BL	BL	TS	TS	 			
PS1	PS1			 			
PS2	PS2						
PS3 PS4	PS3						
PS4	PS4						
PS5	PS5						
PS5 PS6	PS6						
PS7	PS7						

Table 2. Layout of peroxidase standards and test samples in a solid black 96-well microplate

Note: PS= *Peroxidase Standards, BL*=*Blank Control, TS*=*Test Samples.*

Table 3. Reagent composition for each well

Peroxidase Standard	Blank Control	Test Sample
Serial dilutions* (50 µL)	Assay buffer (Component C): 50 µL	50 μL

*Note 1. Add the serially diluted peroxidase standards from 0.3 mU/mL to 300 mU/mL into wells from PS1 to PS7 in duplicate.

4. Run HRP assay in supernatants reaction:

- 4.1 Add 50 μL of peroxidase reaction mixture (from Step 2) into each well of the peroxidase standard, blank control, and test samples (see Step 3.3) to make up the total peroxidase assay volume of 100 μL/well Note: For a 384-well plate, add 25 μL of sample and 25 μL of peroxidase reaction mixture into each well.
- 4.2 Incubate the reaction at room temperature for 30 to 60 minutes, protected from light.
- 4.3 Monitor the fluorescence increase with a fluorescence plate reader at excitation 600-650 nm (optimal at 640) with emission at 650-690 nm (optimal at 680).
 Note: The contents of the plate can also be transferred to a white clear bottom plate and read by an absorbance microplate reader at the wavelength of 647±5 nm. The absorption detection has lower sensitivity compared to fluorescence reading.

Data Analysis

The fluorescence in blank wells (with the assay buffer only) is used as a control, and is subtracted from the values for those wells with the peroxidase reactions. A HRP standard curve is shown in Figure 1. *Note: The fluorescence background increases with time, thus it is important to subtract the fluorescence intensity value of the blank wells for each data point.*

Peroxidase standard curve

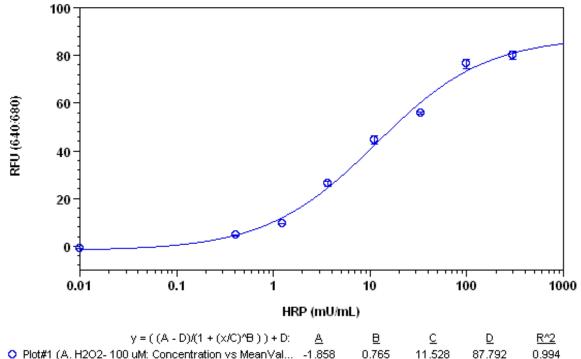


Figure 1. HRP dose response was measured with the AmpliteTM Fluorimetric Peroxidase Assay Kit in a 384-well black plate using a Gemini fluorescence microplate reader (Molecular Devices). As low as 1 mU/mL of peroxidase can be detected with 30 minutes incubation time (n=3).

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