

Streptavidin-pHast [PH-03]

100 mcg, 250 mcg, 1000 mcg

a tool to test biotinylated protein specificity, binding, and internalization with results in one (1) day

Streptavidin-pHast in conjunction with your biotinylated protein can be analyzed via fluorescent microscope, fluorescent plate reader, or flow cytometry. In order to establish the EC50 of your antibody a fluorescent plate reader is recommended.

A sample protocol for determining internalization via Fluorescent Plate reader

Streptavidin-pHast Internalization Protocol

- 1. Determine the number of cells needed for the planned number of plates. Cells are plated in the center 60 wells in 90 μ l of media per well.
- 2. Plate cells in a 96-well black, clear bottom plate or all black plate. The clear bottom plate allows visualization of antibody internalization using a microscope. Cells are usually plated at 20,000 cells per well.
- 3. Transfer 100 μ l of media into the wells around the edge of a 96-well plate. These wells simply offer some protection from evaporation for the experimental wells.
- 4. Incubate plates for 20-24 hours before treatment.
- 5. Mix an equimolar amount of Streptavidin-pHast to your biotinylated protein. Incubate at room temperature for 20 minutes. *Optimization of concentration and dilutions will need to be established. High concentrations of unconjugated antibody may act as an inhibiter of fluorescent activity.*
- 6. Serial dilute your desired concentrations of Streptavidin-pHast-Biotinylated-Protein in microcentrifuge tubes, 10X the desired concentration planned for the plate.
- 7. The first and last experimental columns (2 and 11 in most plates) of cells are controls, only medium or Streptavidin-pHast alone is added to these wells.
- 8. Add 10 μ l of your 10X concentrations of Streptavidin-pHast-Biotinylated-Protein to each of your plates.
- 9. Mix the plate gently on a plate mixer for 1-2 min, then incubate overnight to allow internalization. (Internalization can start to be detected in 1 hour, but maximal fluorescence occurs typically 19 hours after addition of the Streptavidin-pHast conjugated proteins).
- 10. To achieve a higher sensitivity, replace media with PBS before reading the plate.
- 11. Read the plate in a fluorescent plate reader at Ex: 532 nm/Em: 560 nm.
- 12. The absorbance of the sample wells is compared to the control wells to establish a curve.
- 13. The EC50 of your antibody can be derived from the curve, using PRISM software (GraphPad, San Diego).