

DSS Crosslinker Protocol and Product Information Sheet

Product Category: Homobifunctional Crosslinkers

Catalog Number(s): c1105-100mg, c1105-1gm, c1105-custom

Product Name: DSS Crosslinker

Alternative Name(s): Disuccinimidyl suberate; Suberic acid bis(N-hydroxysuccinimide ester)

CAS Number: 68528-80-3 Chemical Formula: $C_{16}H_{20}N_2O_8$ Molecular Weight: 368.34 Spacer Arm Length: 11.4 Å

Storage: Upon receipt store at -20°C (shipped at ambient temperature). Protect

from moisture (i.e. humidity); blanket under desiccated, inert gas.

DSS Crosslinking Protocol

- 1. Allow vial of DSS Crosslinker to fully equilibrate to ambient temperature before opening to prevent condensation inside the vial (DSS is moisture-sensitive).
- 2. Prepare a 50 mM solution of DSS, by dissolving 10 mg DSS in 540 µL of dry DMSO or dry DMF.
- 3. Using a 20-fold excess approach (20:1 Crosslinker:Protein), add crosslinker solution to the protein sample in non-amine containing buffer (i.e. 25 mM Sodium Phosphate, pH 7.4), so that the final crosslinker concentration is between 0.5 to 5 mM. Optimal pH range is from 7 to 9. The DSS solution may become slightly hazy in an aqueous mixture.
- 4. Allow the sample to react at room temperature for 45 minutes to 1 hour. Allow slightly longer if sample must be kept on ice (recommended 2-3 hours). This reaction rate is not highly temperature sensitive.
- 5. Quench any unreacted DSS with 25 mM to 200 mM Tris, pH 7.4 and allow to react for 10-15 minutes at room temperature.
- 6. Desalt sample to remove residual crosslinker (i.e. gel filtration or dialysis, etc.)

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