

## Buccutite™ Rapid APC-Cy7 Tandem Antibody Labeling Kit \*Microscale Optimized for Labeling 25 ug Antibody Per Reaction\*

Component	Storage	Amount
Component A: Buccutite™ FOL-Activated APC-Cy7	Refrigerated (2-8 °C), Minimize light exposure	2 vials
Component B: Buccutite™ MTA	Refrigerated (2-8 °C), Minimize light exposure	1 vial
Component C: Reaction Buffer	Refrigerated (2-8 °C), Minimize light exposure	1 vial (20 µL)

### OVERVIEW

APC-Cy7 is a popular color used in flow cytometry. Its primary absorption peak is at 651 nm with emission peak at ~780 nm. AAT Bioquest offers this Buccutite™ rapid labeling kit to facilitate the APC-Cy7 tandem conjugations to antibodies and other proteins such as streptavidin and other secondary reagents. Buccutite™ APC-Cy7 Tandem Conjugation Kit provides a robust and convenient method to conjugate antibodies with APC-Cy7 tandem. The kit includes a preactivated APC-Cy7 tandem and reaction buffer. The entire process only requires two simple mixings without further purification required. The conjugated antibody can be used in flow cytometry, WB, ELISA and IHC applications. This kit is sufficient for 2 labeling reactions, each up to 25 ug of antibody. The best ratio for any new antibody reagent must be determined by experimentation. Our kit provides preactivated APC-Cy7 tandem to facilitate the APC-Cy7 tandem conjugations to antibodies and other proteins such as streptavidin and other secondary reagents. Our preactivated APC-Cy7 tandem is ready to conjugate, giving much higher yield than the conventionally tedious SMCC-based conjugation chemistry. In addition, our preactivated APC-Cy7 tandem is conjugated to a protein via its amino group that is abundant in proteins while SMCC chemistry targets the thiol group that has to be regenerated by the reduction of antibodies.

### AT A GLANCE

#### Protocol Summary

1. Add 1.25 µL Reaction Buffer (Component C) into antibody (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-Cy7 working solution
5. Incubate at room temperature for 60 minutes

**Important** 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 Reaction Buffer (Component C). Warm all the components and centrifuge the vials briefly before opening, and 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

#### 1. 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.

#### 2. Buccutite™ MTA working solution

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

#### 3. Buccutite™ FOL-Activated APC-Cy7 working solution

Add 50 µL ddH<sub>2</sub>O into the vial of Buccutite™ FOL-Activated APC-Cy7 (Component A).

### SAMPLE EXPERIMENTAL PROTOCOL

#### Run 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 Antibody-APC-Cy7 conjugation

1. Add 50 µL of Buccutite™ FOL-Activated APC-Cy7 working solution with Antibody-Buccutite™ 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-Cy7 conjugate is now ready to use.

**Note** For immediate use, the antibody-APC-Cy7 conjugate need be diluted with the buffer of your choice.

**Note** For longer term storage, antibody-Cy7 conjugate solution need be concentrated or freeze dried.

#### Storage of Antibody-APC-Cy7 Conjugate

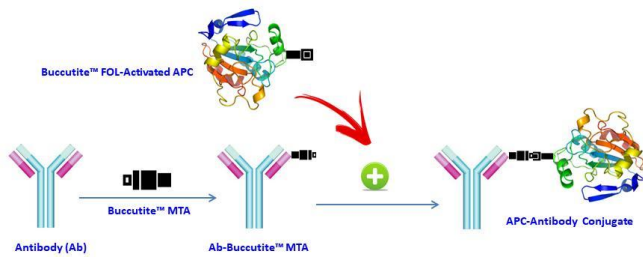
The antibody conjugate should be stored in the presence of a carrier protein (e.g., 0.1% bovine serum albumin) and 0.02-0.05% sodium azide. The Ab-APC-Cy7 conjugate solution could be stored at 4 °C for two months without significant change and kept from light.

**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

## EXAMPLE DATA ANALYSIS AND FIGURES



**Figure 1.**

AAT Bioquest offers this Buccutite™ rapid labeling kit to facilitate the APC-Cy7 tandem conjugations to antibodies and other proteins such as streptavidin and other secondary reagents. Our preactivated APC was premodified with our Buccutite™ FOL. Your antibody (or other proteins) is modified with our Buccutite™ MTA to give MTA-modified protein (such as antibody). The MTA-modified protein readily reacts with FOL-modified APC to give the desired APC-antibody conjugate in much higher yield than the SMCC chemistry. In addition, our preactivated APC reacts with MTA-modified biopolymers at much lower concentrations than the SMCC chemistry.

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