# LowCross-Buffer®

# LowCross-Buffer® is not for use as a blocking solution for surfaces!

Product description

pH-value:  $7.2 \pm 0.2$ 

Preservative: contains 0.045% ProClin<sup>®</sup> 300 (v/v)

Storage: shelf life (when stored unopened at -20°C): 2 years - tolerates repeated

freezing and thawing cycles

shelf life (when stored unopened at 2 - 8 °C): 2 years

## For research use only, not for diagnostic use

Available

Package sizes: 50 mL order number 100 050

125 mL order number 100 125 500 mL order number 100 500

#### Instructions for use

LowCross-Buffer® was specially developed to minimise cross reactivities, nonspecific binding and matrix effects in immunoassays. It is designed for use in ELISA, EIA, RIA, Western blotting, immuno-PCR, protein arrays, multianalyte immunoassays and immunohistochemistry - depending on the characteristics of the assay type and the used antibodies.

Immediately before use the buffer should be mixed thoroughly. LowCross-Buffer® is used instead of the standard sample or antibody dilution buffer.

LowCross-Buffer<sup>®</sup> is unsuitable for blocking of surfaces. For blocking of surfaces we recommend using our product *The Blocking Solution* (Order No. 110 050, 110 125 and 110 500). LowCross-Buffer<sup>®</sup> is not useable as a sample buffer for electrophoresis.

#### Examples of use:

**ELISA:** dilution buffer for specimen and detection antibodies

Western blotting: dilution buffer for primary and secondary antibodies

Immunohistochemistry: dilution buffer for primary and secondary antibodies

Protein arrays: dilution buffer for specimen and detection antibodies

#### Dilution of the specimen:

Standards and specimen for ELISA and protein arrays can be diluted with *LowCross-Buffer*<sup>®</sup> at 1:2 or higher. Standards and specimen should be treated strictly the same way.

## Dilution of antibodies:

Antibodies can be diluted with *LowCross-Buffer*<sup>®</sup> in a user-defined manner, depending on the recommendation of the data sheet of the antibodies. This is the same for primary and secondary antibodies.



Appearance of signal reduction:

In some cases a smooth reduction of the wanted signal can be observed. *LowCross-Buffer* reduces low-and medium-affinity binding. That means that by using low- and medium-affinity antibodies or polyclonal antibodies a smooth reduction of signals can appear. Polyclonal antibodies normally contain low- and medium-affinity binding components.

In the case of polyclonal antibodies a moderate increase of the concentration of the antibody can lead to the previously seen signals. Unwanted low and medium-affinity binding will be still reduced by *LowCross-Buffer*<sup>®</sup>.

Although *LowCross-Buffer*<sup>®</sup> is used as an assay buffer, it is necessary to saturate surfaces like ELISA-wells or membranes with a blocker. We recommend using our product *The Blocking Solution* (Order No. 110 050, 110 125 and 110 500).

LowCross-Buffer® can be used also as a washing buffer – especially in challenging or interference-sensitive assays like immuno-PCR.

Components of immunoassays - as well as components of *LowCross-Buffer*® - maybe quench the fluorescence of fluorescein dyes. Therefore we recommend using Oyster\*- (Luminartis), CyDye\*\*- (GE Healthcare) or Alexa\*\*\*- (Thermo Fisher Scientific) fluorescence dyes.

Testing LowCross-Buffer® in any new assay is recommended.

For further information please visit www.candor-bioscience.com.

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