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# **OneQuant** TM **Iodoacetamide**

## INTRODUCTION

Iodoacetamide is a commonly used alkylation agent for blocking thiols of proteins. Alkylation by iodoacetamide of free cysteines, following their reduction, results in the covalent coupling of a carbamidomethyl group (57.07Da) and prevents formation of disulfide bonds/ bridges. We recommend reduction prior to alkylation as reducing agents added after iodoacetamide treatment will react with excess iodoacetamide.  $OneQuant^{TM}$  Iodoacetamide are single aliquots of iodoacetamide that eliminate the need for weighing, preventing loss of reagents and saving time.

ITEM(S) SUPPLIED	Cat. #: 786-078
Description	Size
OneQuant <sup>™</sup> Iodoacetamide	24 x 15mg vials

## STORAGE CONDITIONS

It is shipped at ambient temperature. Upon receipt, store the product at 4°C and protected from light & moisture. Stable for one year, if stored and used as recommended.

#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- 1. Iodoacetamide is unstable and light-sensitive. To preserve activity of iodoacetamide, prepare the iodoacetamide solutions immediately before use and perform the alkylation step in the dark.
- 2. Perform alkylation with limiting quantities of iodoacetamide at a slightly alkaline pH (pH8-9) to ensure alkylation is exclusive to cysteine residues. Excess or non-buffered iodoacetamide may result in alkylation of lysines, N-termini, methionines, histidines, aspartates and glutamates.

Chemical name: 2-Iodoacetamide

**Formula:** ICH<sub>2</sub>CONH<sub>2</sub> **Molecular Weight:** 184.96

**CAS No:** 144-48-9

### **PROTOCOL**

1. **Protein Reduction**: Add 5μl 200mM TCEP•HCl (Tris (2-carboxyethyl) phosphine hydrochloride) for every 100μl 0.2-1mg/ml protein solution. Incubate at 55°C for 1 hour.

NOTE: Available from G-Biosciences; Cat. # 786-030 TCEP•HCl

- 2. **Protein Alkylation**: Immediately prior to use, pierce the foil of the OneQunat Iodoacetamide tube and add 120µl deionized water and dissolve to generate 0.4M solution of iodoacetamide. Protect the solution from light.
- 3. Add  $5\mu$ l 0.4M Iodoacetamide for every  $100\mu$ l 0.2-1mg/ml protein solution. Incubate at room temperature for 30-60 minutes, protected from light. Discard any unused iodoacetamide solution.
- 4. The sample is now ready for proteolytic digestion, 2D gel analysis or other downstream application

## RELATED PRODUCTS

- 1.  $OneQuant^{TM} DTT (Cat# 786-077)$ .
- 2. FOCUS<sup>™</sup> Protein Reductant (Cat# 786-230).
- 3. FOCUS<sup>™</sup> Protein Reduction-Alkylation (Cat# 786-231).

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