

### **Reconstitution and Storage**

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### sdAbs MBP fusion

sdAbs MBP fusion are alpaca-derived single-domain antibodies (sdAbs) fused at the C-terminus to maltose binding protein (MBP). These target-specific sdAbs are significantly enlarged by fusion to MBP, making them ideal for immobilization in lateral flow assays.



## Sketch of an sdAb MBP fusion in complex with its target protein.

T: target protein sdAb: single-domain antibody MBP: maltose binding protein

sdAbs MBP fusion are **lyophilized from PBS pH 7.4** and shipped as lyophilized powder at ambient temperature. The lyophilized reagent can be stored at 2-8°C for up to 12 months.

After reconstitution in 500  $\mu$ L, the final concentration of sdAb MBP fusion is 2 mg/mL. For optimal performance, store the reconstituted reagent in aliquots at -80°C.

#### Protocol: Reconstitution of sdAbs MBP fusion

- 1. Prepare sterile 50% glycerol (v/v) in deionized water.
- 2. Open the vial containing the lyophilized sdAb MBP fusion.
- 3. Add 500  $\mu$ L of sterile 50% glycerol (v/v) in deionized water.
- 4. Mix gently and allow to sit at room temperature for ~5 min.
- 5. Optional: Briefly spin down the vial for  $2 \min at 100 \times g$  using a 50 mL conical tube with tissue paper at the bottom.
- 6. Distribute into aliquots. Use small tubes and avoid aliquots below 20  $\mu$ L.
- 7. Storage: Short-term: Working aliquot can be stored at -20°C for up to 4 weeks.
  - Long-term: Ideally store at -80°C (up to 6 month).

Note: • Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

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## Unconjugated sdAbs

Unconjugated sdAbs are alpaca-derived single-domain antibodies (sdAbs) that generally feature a single ectopic cysteine at the C-terminus. This allows for site-specific conjugation according to the user's preference. These target-specific sdAbs are intended for custom applications requiring direct conjugation to a particular fluorophore, DNA oligonucleotides, or other compounds.



# Sketch of a custom-conjugated sdAb in complex with its target protein.

T: target protein sdAb: single-domain antibody Custom: custom label coupled to an ectopic cysteine

Unconjugated sdAbs featuring an ectopic cysteine are **lyophilized from 5 mM KPi pH 6.0, 300 mM NaCl, 0.5 mM EDTA pH 6.0** and shipped as lyophilized powder at ambient temperature. The lyophilized reagent can be stored at 2-8°C for up to 12 months. Ideally, the reagent should be reconstituted immediately before use according to the standard protocol A.

After reconstitution in 250  $\mu$ L, the final concentration of unconjugated sdAb is 1 mg/mL.

#### A. Standard reconstitution protocol for immediate use

Note: It is highly recommended to follow this standard protocol for reconstitution and to perform the conjugation reaction immediately after reconstituting the reagent.

- 8. Open the vial containing the lyophilized unconjugated sdAb.
- 9. Add 250  $\mu L$  of deionized water.
- 10. Mix gently and allow to sit at room temperature for  $\sim$ 5 min.
- 11. Optional: Briefly spin down the vial for  $2 \min at 100 \times g$  using a 50 mL conical tube with tissue paper at the bottom.
- Immediately proceed to the custom conjugation reaction.
  Do not freeze. Freezing and/or storage may result in loss of reactivity.

#### B. Alternative reconstitution protocol for further storage

Note: Storage after reconstitution is not recommended as it may result in loss of reactivity of the ectopic cysteine. NanoTag does not guarantee the performance of reagents stored after reconstitution.

- 1. Open the vial containing the lyophilized unconjugated sdAb.
- 2. Add 250  $\mu$ L of sterile 50% glycerol (v/v) in deionized water.
- 3. Mix gently and allow to sit at room temperature for  $\sim$ 5 min.
- 4. Optional: Briefly spin down the vial for  $2 \min at 100 \times g$  using a 50 mL conical tube with tissue paper at the bottom.
- 5. Aliquot, overlay with argon and store at -80°C. Avoid freeze-thaw cycles.

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