

### Protocol: Identify Formulations that Maximize the Thermal Stability of a Protein Sample

#### Materials

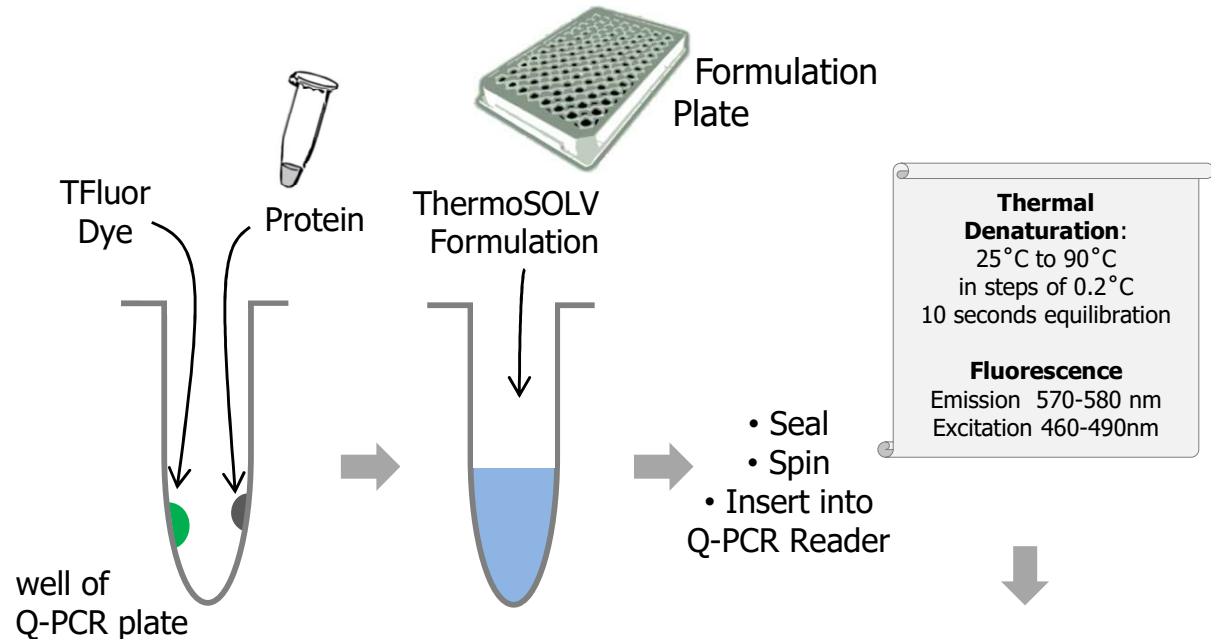
- Kit**
- 1 tube TFluor™ Dye
  - 1 Formulation Plate (96 x 170 uL)
- User-provided**
- ca. 100 µL purified protein solution (ca. 1 mg/mL)
  - temperature scanning fluorescence plate reader such as a Q-PCR instrument (BioRad CFX, Roche LightCycler® 480, QuantStudio quantitative PCR)
  - Q-PCR plate (preferably white)
  - plate seal

#### Protocol

1. Dilute 2 µL of TFluor Dye with 200 µL of water and pipette 2 µL of this solution onto the side of each well in a Q-PCR plate.
2. Pipette 1 µL of protein sample into the opposite sides of all wells
3. Add 25 µL of each formulation from the Formulation Plate. This combines the protein and the dye in each well.
4. Seal the Q-PCR plate and spin it (*i.e.* 5 min at 1000 rpm) to neatly collect all liquid in the center of the well.
5. Insert the plate into temperature scanning fluorescence plate reader. Run temperature scan (*i.e.* heating from 25°C to 90°C in 0.2°C steps equilibrating for 12 seconds for every step) while recording TFluor fluorescence at 570-580 nm (Excitation at 460-490nm).
6. Analyze the resulting fluorescence / temperature data and record the midpoint of thermal denaturation for each formulation. Compare thermal denaturation points and identify formulation that renders protein most temperature stable.

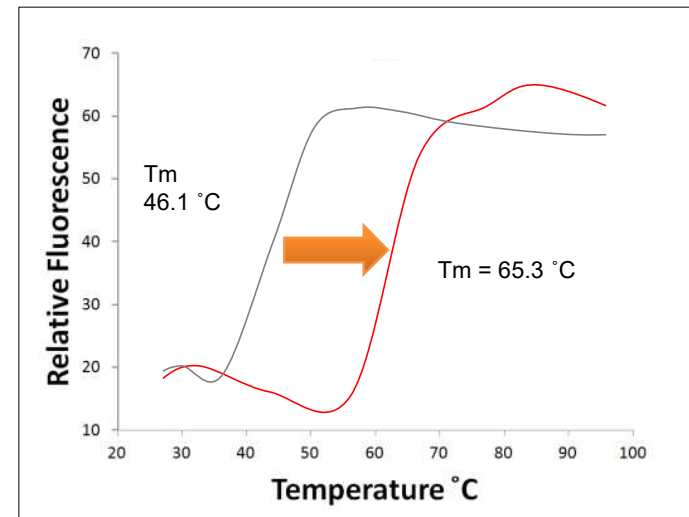
**Variation:** include known or putative small molecule ligands or co-factors (ATP, NAD/H, Zn<sup>2+</sup> etc.) to protein buffer prior to analysis with the OptiTherm kit.

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#### Note & Troubleshooting

We advise to carry out a simple test prior to conducting the ThermoSOLV experiment to dial in the proper protein concentration and to identify a suitable detection range. This can be done by setting up a single well using the amounts suggested in this protocol (using any standard buffer). Consult the manual of the temperature scanning fluorescence plate reader to adjust the fluorescence emission signal to less than 20% of the maximal readout. Increase amounts of protein and dye if fluorescence signal is too low, decrease protein and dye amounts if fluorescence signal is too low.



# ThermoSOLV™

## Product Information

### Content:

- 1 x 96 well Formulation Plate
- 1 tube TFluor™ Dye
- Quick Start Guide and MSDS

Store at 4°C. Caution: TFluor™ Dye not yet fully tested (EU) WGK1 Combustible. Readily absorbed through skin. Target organ(s): Eyes, Skin. Hygroscopic. Product of USA. For R&D use only. Not for drug, household or other uses.

## Purpose

### ThermoSOLV Protein Thermal Stability Kit

Systematic solution design and fluorescence-based stability assay for:

- **Thermal stabilization of protein samples**

For updated instructions and additional information please refer to [www.stablebiologics.com](http://www.stablebiologics.com)

One ThermoSOLV kit contains consumable materials to assay solution conditions for up to six (6) different protein samples.

## Order Information

Order Cat #: SB-003-001

ThermoSOLV Protein Thermal Stability Kit

Price: \$ 299 USD (3 pack discounted to \$750 USD)

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Birmingham, AL 35242  
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## Reagent Listing

Well		Buffer <sup>#</sup>			Additive		Well		Buffer <sup>#</sup>			Additive							
#	Row	Col	Conc	unit	pH	NAME	Conc	unit	#	Row	Col	Conc	unit	pH	NAME	Conc	unit		
1	A	1	Glycine	100	mM	3.0			49	E	1	Glycine	50	mM	3.0	Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	500	mM	
2	A	2	Citric Acid	100	mM	3.2			50	E	2	Sodium Acetate	50	mM	4.5	Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	500	mM	
3	A	3	PIPPS	100	mM	3.7			51	E	3	Bis-Tris	50	mM	6.0	Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	500	mM	
4	A	4	Citric Acid	100	mM	4.0			52	E	4	MOPS	50	mM	7.0	Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	500	mM	
5	A	5	Sodium Acetate	100	mM	4.5			53	E	5	Imidazole	50	mM	8.0	Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	500	mM	
6	A	6	Na/K Phosphate	100	mM	5.0			54	E	6	CHES	50	mM	9.5	Na <sub>2</sub> SO <sub>4</sub>	500	mM	
7	A	7	Sodium Citrate	100	mM	5.5			55	E	7	Citric Acid	50	mM	3.2	Arg/Glu*	50	mM	
8	A	8	Na/K Phosphate	100	mM	6.0			56	E	8	Na/K Phosphate	50	mM	5.0	Arg/Glu*	50	mM	
9	A	9	Bis-Tris	100	mM	6.0			57	E	9	ADA	50	mM	6.5	Arg/Glu*	50	mM	
10	A	10	MES	100	mM	6.2			58	E	10	HEPES	50	mM	7.5	Arg/Glu*	50	mM	
11	A	11	ADA	100	mM	6.5			59	E	11	Tris	50	mM	8.5	Arg/Glu*	50	mM	
12	A	12	Bis-Tris Propane	100	mM	6.5			60	E	12	CAPS	50	mM	10.0	Arg/Glu*	50	mM	
13	B	1	Ammonium Acetate	100	mM	7.0			61	F	1	Glycine	50	mM	3.0	Tween 20	1	% (w/v)	
14	B	2	MOPS	100	mM	7.0			62	F	2	Sodium Acetate	50	mM	4.5	Tween 20	1	% (w/v)	
15	B	3	Na/K Phosphate	100	mM	7.0			63	F	3	Bis-Tris	50	mM	6.0	Tween 20	1	% (w/v)	
16	B	4	HEPES	100	mM	7.5			64	F	4	MOPS	50	mM	7.0	Tween 20	1	% (w/v)	
17	B	5	Tris	100	mM	7.5			65	F	5	Imidazole	50	mM	8.0	Tween 20	1	% (w/v)	
18	B	6	EPPS	100	mM	8.0			66	F	6	CHES	50	mM	9.5	Tween 20	1	% (w/v)	
19	B	7	Imidazole	100	mM	8.0			67	F	7	Citric Acid	50	mM	3.2	Poloxamer 188	0.2	% (w/v)	
20	B	8	Bicine	100	mM	8.5			68	F	8	Na/K Phosphate	50	mM	5.0	Poloxamer 188	0.2	% (w/v)	
21	B	9	Tris	100	mM	8.5			69	F	9	ADA	50	mM	6.5	Poloxamer 188	0.2	% (w/v)	
22	B	10	CHES	100	mM	9.0			70	F	10	HEPES	50	mM	7.5	Poloxamer 188	0.2	% (w/v)	
23	B	11	CHES	100	mM	9.5			71	F	11	Tris	50	mM	8.5	Poloxamer 188	0.2	% (w/v)	
24	B	12	CAPS	100	mM	10.0			72	F	12	CAPS	50	mM	10.0	Poloxamer 188	0.2	% (w/v)	
25	C	1	Glycine	50	mM	3.0	NaCl	150	mM	73	G	1	Glycine	50	mM	3.0	Glycerol	20	% (w/v)
26	C	2	Sodium Acetate	50	mM	4.5	NaCl	150	mM	74	G	2	Sodium Acetate	50	mM	4.5	Glycerol	20	% (w/v)
27	C	3	Bis-Tris	50	mM	6.0	NaCl	150	mM	75	G	3	Bis-Tris	50	mM	6.0	Glycerol	20	% (w/v)
28	C	4	MOPS	50	mM	7.0	NaCl	150	mM	76	G	4	MOPS	50	mM	7.0	Glycerol	20	% (w/v)
29	C	5	Imidazole	50	mM	8.0	NaCl	150	mM	77	G	5	Imidazole	50	mM	8.0	Glycerol	20	% (w/v)
30	C	6	CHES	50	mM	9.5	NaCl	150	mM	78	G	6	CHES	50	mM	9.5	Glycerol	20	% (w/v)
31	C	7	Citric Acid	50	mM	3.2	NaCl	500	mM	79	G	7	Citric Acid	50	mM	3.2	Betaine	1	M
32	C	8	Na/K Phosphate	50	mM	5.0	NaCl	500	mM	80	G	8	Na/K Phosphate	50	mM	5.0	Betaine	1	M
33	C	9	ADA	50	mM	6.5	NaCl	500	mM	81	G	9	ADA	50	mM	6.5	Betaine	1	M
34	C	10	HEPES	50	mM	7.5	NaCl	500	mM	82	G	10	HEPES	50	mM	7.5	Betaine	1	M
35	C	11	Tris	50	mM	8.5	NaCl	500	mM	83	G	11	Tris	50	mM	8.5	Betaine	1	M
36	C	12	CAPS	50	mM	10.0	NaCl	500	mM	84	G	12	CAPS	50	mM	10.0	Betaine	1	M
37	D	1	Glycine	50	mM	3.0	Trehalose	500	mM	85	H	1	H2O	100	%				
38	D	2	Sodium Acetate	50	mM	4.5	Trehalose	500	mM	86	H	2	H2O	100	%				
39	D	3	Bis-Tris	50	mM	6.0	Trehalose	500	mM	87	H	3							
40	D	4	MOPS	50	mM	7.0	Trehalose	500	mM	88	H	4				AmSulfate	3	M	
41	D	5	Imidazole	50	mM	8.0	Trehalose	500	mM	89	H	5	PBS						
42	D	6	CHES	50	mM	9.5	Trehalose	500	mM	90	H	6	PEG 1450	10	%	NaCl	50	mM	
43	D	7	Citric Acid	50	mM	3.2	TMAO	500	mM	91	H	7				DTT	1	mM	
44	D	8	Na/K Phosphate	50	mM	5.0	TMAO	500	mM	92	H	8				DTT	5	mM	
45	D	9	ADA	50	mM	6.5	TMAO	500	mM	93	H	9				DTT	15	mM	
46	D	10	HEPES	50	mM	7.5	TMAO	500	mM	94	H	10				BME	2.5	mM	
47	D	11	Tris	50	mM	8.5	TMAO	500	mM	95	H	11				BME	10	mM	
48	D	12	CAPS	50	mM	10.0	TMAO	500	mM	96	H	12				BME	20	mM	

TMAO, Trimethylamine N-Oxide; PIPPS, Piperazine-N, n'-Bis (3-Propanesulfonic Acid); MES, 2-(N-morpholino) ethanesulfonic acid; MOPS, 3-(N-morpholino) propanesulfonic acid; HEPES, 4-(2-hydroxyethyl)-1-piperazineethanesulfonic acid; Arg/Glu\*: 50mM of each Arginine and Glutamate; DDT, DL-Dithiothreitol; BME, 2-Mercaptoethanol; Betaine, Trimethyl-Glycine; CAPS, N-cyclohexyl-3-aminopropanesulfonic acid; ADA, N-(2-Acetamido)iminodiacetic Acid; Tris, tris(hydroxymethyl)aminomethane; CHES, 2-(N-Cyclohexylamino)ethane Sulfonic Acid; EPPS, N-(2-hydroxyethyl)piperazine-N'-(3-propanesulfonic acid); PBS (phosphate buffer saline pH 7.4)

# pH values for buffers used only; \* each amino acid is 50 mM