

## Amplite™ Colorimetric Peroxidase Assay Kit

### \*Blue Color\*

Ordering Information:	Storage Conditions:	Instrument Platform:
Product Number: 11551 (500 assays)	Keep in freezer Avoid exposure to light	Absorbance microplate readers

### Introduction

Horseshradish Peroxidase (HRP) is a small molecule (MW ~40 KD) that is widely used in a variety of biological detections. HRP conjugates are extensively used as secondary detection reagents in ELISAs, immunohistochemical techniques; Northern, Southern and Western blot analyses. Due to its small size, it rarely causes steric hindrance problem with the antibody/antigen complex formation. It is usually conjugated to an antibody in a 4:1 ratio. Additionally, HRP is inexpensive compared to other labeling enzymes. The major disadvantage associated with peroxidase is their low tolerance to many preservatives such as sodium azide that inactivates peroxidase activity even at low concentration.

We offer this quick (10 min) HRP assay in a one-step, homogeneous, no wash assay system. This kit uses Amplite™ Blue, our ultrasensitive chromogenic HRP substrate. Our Amplite™ Blue is a chromogenic peroxidase substrate that is much more sensitive to both H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> and peroxidase than other chromogenic peroxidase substrates such as TMB, ABTS, OPD and K-Blue. Amplite™ Blue generates a highly absorptive material that has maximum absorption of 664 nm. This near infrared absorption minimizes the background absorption that is often caused by the auto-absorption of biological samples that rarely absorb light beyond 600 nm. The kit can be used for ELISAs, characterizing kinetics of enzyme reaction and high throughput screening of oxidase inhibitors, etc. The kit provides an optimized “mix and read” assay protocol that is compatible with HTS liquid handling instruments. The assay can be performed in a convenient 96-well or 384-well microtiter-plate format and easily adapted to automation without a separation step. Its signal can be easily read by an absorbance microplate reader at 664±5 nm.

### Kit Key Features

<b>Broad Application:</b>	Can be used for quantifying HRP activities in solutions and solid surfaces (e.g, ELISA).
<b>Sensitive:</b>	Detect as low as 3 mU/mL of HRP in solution.
<b>Continuous:</b>	Easily adapted to automation without a separation step.
<b>Convenient:</b>	Formulated to have minimal hands-on time. No wash is required.
<b>Non-Radioactive:</b>	No special requirements for waste treatment.

### Kit Components

Components	Amount
Component A: Amplite™ Blue Peroxidase Substrate	1 vial
Component B: H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub>	1 vial (3% stabilized solution, 200 µL)
Component C: Assay Buffer	1 bottle (100 mL)
Component D: Horseshradish Peroxidase	1 vial (20 units)
Component E: DMSO	1 vial (1 mL)

### Assay Protocol for One 96-Well Plate

#### Brief Summary

**Prepare peroxidase reaction mixture (50 µL) → Add peroxidase standards or test samples (50 µL) → Incubate at room temperature for 10-30 minutes → Read absorbance at 664±5 nm**

*Note: Thaw all the kit components at room temperature before starting the experiment.*

**1. Prepare stock solutions:**

1.1 **Amplite™ Blue peroxidase substrate stock solution (100X):** Add 250 µL of DMSO (Component E) into the vial of Amplite™ Blue Substrate (Component A). The stock solution should be used promptly, and any remaining solution should be aliquoted and refrozen at -20 °C.

*Note: Avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.*

1.2 **20 U/mL Peroxidase stock solution:** Add 1 mL of Assay Buffer (Component C) into the vial of HRP (Component D).

*Note: The unused HRP solution should be divided into single use aliquots and stored at -20 °C.*

1.3 **20 mM H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> stock solution:** Add 22.7 µL of 3% H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> (0.88 M, Component B) into 977µL of Assay Buffer (Component C).

*Note: The diluted H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> solution is not stable. The unused portion should be discarded.*

**2. Prepare peroxidase reaction mixture:**

Prepare the peroxidase reaction mixture according to the following table and keep from light.

**Table 1.** Peroxidase reaction mixture for one 96-well plate (2X)

Components	Volume
Amplite™ Blue peroxidase substrate stock solution (100X, from Step 1.1)	50 µL
20 mM H <sub>2</sub> O <sub>2</sub> stock solution (from Step 1.3)	50 µL
Assay Buffer (Component C)	4.9 mL
Total volume	5 mL

**3. Prepare serial peroxidase (0 to 300 mU/mL) standard solutions:**

**Warnings:** 1. The component A is unstable in the presence of thiols such as DTT and β-mercaptoethanol. Thiols higher than 10 µM (final concentration) would significantly decrease the assay dynamic range.  
2. NADH and glutathione (reduced form: GSH) may interfere with the assay.

3.1 Add 15 µL of 20 U/mL peroxidase solution (from Step 1.2) in 985 µL of Assay Buffer (Component C) to get 300 mU/mL peroxidase solution.

3.2 Take 200 µL of 300 mU/mL peroxidase solution to perform 1:3 serial dilutions to get 100, 30, 10, 3, 1, 0.3 and 0 standard peroxidase solutions.

3.3 Add peroxidase standards and peroxidase-containing test samples into a 96-well white wall/clear bottom microplate as described in Tables 2 and 3

**Table 2.** Layout of peroxidase standards and test samples in a white wall/clear bottom 96-well microplate

BL	BL	TS	TS	....	....														
PS1	PS1	....	....	....	....														
PS2	PS2																		
PS3	PS3																		
PS4	PS4																		
PS5	PS5																		
PS6	PS6																		
PS7	PS7																		

*Note: PS=Peroxidase Standards; BL=Blank Control; TS=Test Samples*

**Table 3.** Reagent composition for each well:

Peroxidase Standard	Blank Control	Test Sample
Serial dilutions* (50 µL)	Assay buffer (Component C): 50 µL	50 µL

\*Note: Add the serially diluted peroxidase standards from 0.3 mU/mL to 300 mU/mL into wells from PS1 to PS7 in duplicate.

#### 4. Run HRP assay in supernatants reaction:

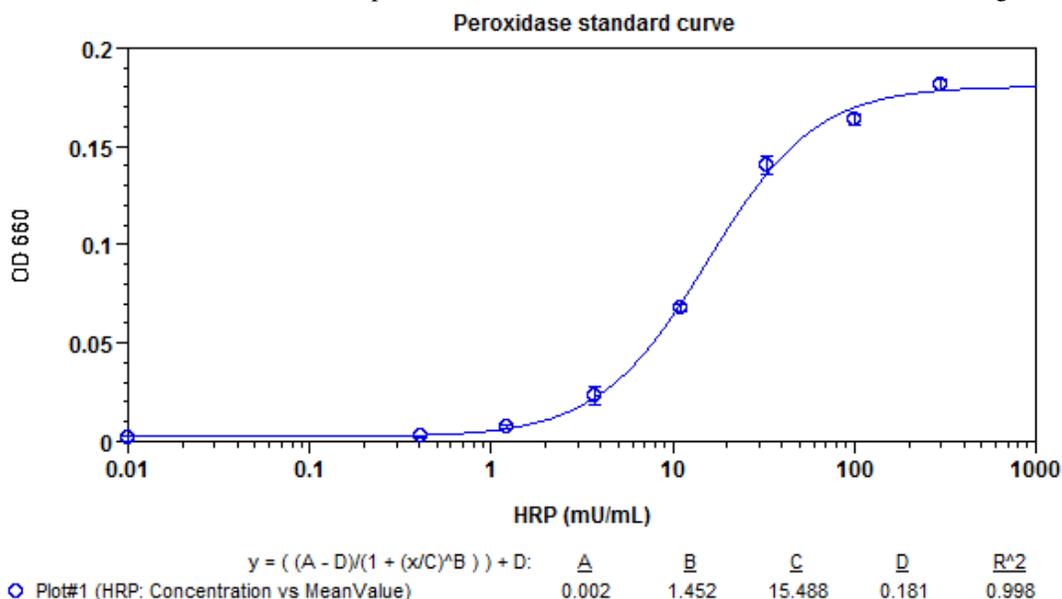
- 4.1 Add 50  $\mu$ L of peroxidase reaction mixture (from Step 2) into each well of the peroxidase standard, blank control, and test samples (see Step 3.3) to make the total peroxidase assay volume of 100  $\mu$ L/well

Note: For a 384-well plate, add 25  $\mu$ L of sample and 25  $\mu$ L of peroxidase reaction mixture per well.

- 4.2 Incubate the reaction at room temperature for 30 to 60 minutes, protected from light.  
4.3 Monitor the absorbance with an absorbance plate reader at  $664 \pm 5$  nm.

### Data Analysis

The absorbance in blank wells (with the assay buffer only) is used as a control, and is subtracted from the values for those wells with the peroxidase reactions. A HRP standard curve is shown in Figure 1.



**Figure 1.** HRP dose response was measured with the Amplitude™ Colorimetric Peroxidase Assay Kit in a 96-well white wall/clear bottom plate using a NovoStar absorbance microplate reader (BMG Labtech). As low as 3 mU/mL of peroxidase can be detected with 30 minutes incubation time (n=3).

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