# PRODUCT INFORMATION Biotin Labeled Lectin

Catalog Number:	BA-6501-1
Description:	Pure Vigna radiata lectin (VRA) from mung bean, Biotin conjugated.
Lot Number:	
Protein Concentration: (Based on OD 280)	1 mg purified VRA Biotin/vial.
Carbohydrate Specificity:	α-Galactose.
Inhibitory Carbohydrate:	α-Galactose.
Activity:	Does not agglutinate human erythrocytes. VRA will react with trypsin treated rabbit erythrocytes.
Buffer:	0.05M Tris - HCl pH7.0. The storage solution also contains 1mM galactose as a stabilizer and 30% glycerol to prevent freezing.
Chemical Used for Conjugation:	Biotinyl N - hydroxysuccinimide ester (BNOHSE).
Storage:	Store liquid refrigerated at 5-8°C in aliquots. <b>DO NOT FREEZE!</b> A single freeze-thaw cycle is sufficient to inactivate the protein.
Stability:	The liquid material is stable for at least 1 year when stored refrigerated in aliquots with 0.05% sodium azide added as a preservative.
Caution:	Refer to the enclosed MSDS for information regarding lectins. The aluminum seals have sharp edges and the vial itself may have cracks which can cause lacerations. Use caution when opening the vial. Avoid contact with skin.
Procedure for Use:	see reverse side.
References:	<ol> <li>Hankins, C. N. and Shannon, L.M. (1978) J. Biol. Chem. 253 : 7791-7797.</li> <li>Secova, E., et al. (1988) J. Chromatography. 436 : 59-66.</li> <li>Hankins, C. N., et al. (1980) Plant Physiol. 66 : 375-378.</li> <li>Hankins, C. N., et al. (1980) Plant Physiol. 66 : 618-622.</li> </ol>

# **General Procedure**

The following is a general Procedure and Trouble-Shooting Guide. The information is provided only for your convenience. The success of your experiments are not guaranteed by EY Laboratories, Inc.

- Wash and block tissue section or blot. EY Laboratories, Inc. recommends that 1% purified Bovine Serum Albumin (BSA) or defatted milk powder be used for blocking to prevent nonspecific binding. Do not use serum products, they contain glycoproteins which may lead to high levels of non specific background. After blocking, rinse briefly with recommended Buffer.
- Dilute Biotin Labeled Lectin to a concentration of 5-50 μg/ml using recommended Buffer. Incubate section or blot for 30-90 minutes at room temperature in a moist chamber. Slightly longer incubation times may be required if incubation is done at 2-8°C. Rinse 3 times, 5 minutes *each* time with recommended Buffer.
- 3. Dilute and incubate Avidin Conjugate according to manufacturer directions.

Notes: Inhibition of lectin binding may be accomplished by using one of two procedures:

- A. Before proceeding to **Step #3** incubate lectin treated section or blot with inhibitory carbohydrate for 30-60 minutes at room temperature. NOTE: Complete inhibition may not occur.
- B. Preincubate diluted **Biotin Labeled Lectin** with inhibitory carbohydrate for 30-60 minutes at room temperature before applying to section or blot.

### TROUBLE SHOOTING GUIDE

Problem	Cause	Solution
Weak or no Staining	1. Low concentration of specific	Causes #1 - #4
	oligosaccharide on sample.	<ol> <li>Increase incubation time.</li> </ol>
	<ol><li>Low concentration of lectin conjugate.</li></ol>	<ul> <li>Increase concentration of sample (on</li> </ul>
	<ol><li>Low concentration of avidin conjugate.</li></ol>	blot) lectin conjugate and/or avidin
Stanning	<ol><li>Insufficient incubation time.</li></ol>	conjugate.
	<ol><li>Inappropriate treatment of sample prior</li></ol>	<ul> <li>Treat section or blot with a different</li> </ul>
	to labeling.	blocking reagent.
	1. Lectin conjugate and/or avidin conjugate	a. Decrease concentration of respective
	is too concentrated.	reagents.
High		<ul> <li>b. Shorten incubation times.</li> </ul>
	<ol><li>Insufficient washing.</li></ol>	<ul> <li>Perform multiple washings and</li> </ul>
		prolong washing time.
	<ol><li>Insufficient blocking.</li></ol>	<ul> <li>Treat section or blot with a different</li> </ul>
		blocking reagent.
	4. Sample contains endogenous enzymatic	a. Determine if sample contains activity
	activity.	which would give background staining
		in the absence of the avidin conjugate.
Unexpected		<ol> <li>Perform control reactions.</li> </ol>
Staining	Multiple causes	b. Use other cytochemical technique
Pattern		to prove or disprove the findings.



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## **MATERIAL SAFETY DATA SHEET**

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## **PRODUCT IDENTIFICATION**

Name:	Purified proteins and enzymes labeled with D-Biotin.
Catalog	BAP-01, BA-1102 to BA-9000, BAF-001 to BAF-2354, BAL-1104 to BAL-4701,
Number(s):	BA-01 to BA-013, BA-108, BA-109, BA-111, BA-118, BA-119, BA-120, BA-121, BAT-2100 to BAT-2701.
Formula:	Complex polypeptides labeled with D-Biotin
Synonyms:	Protein A, Lectins, Secondary and Monoclonal Antibodies, Horseradish
	Peroxidase, Alkaline Phosphatase, Lactoperoxidase, Ferritin, and Urease labeled with D-Biotin.
NOTE:	D-Biotin is also known as vitamin H.

#### **EMERGENCY INFORMATION**

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#### HAZARDOUS COMPONENTS

Specific protein (s) as listed on the vial label. Solutions are at a concentration generally greater than 0.5mg protein/ml. Powders are >95% pure protein unless otherwise indicated on the vial label. Biological activity of these labeled proteins will vary. Vitamin H is an essential vitamin, required in very low amounts. The concentration of bound biotin is less than 10% of the protein amount (w/w). All solutions contain less than 0.05% sodium azide as a preservative.

#### HEALTH HAZARD INFORMATION

EXPOSURE LIMITS:	None established. The toxicological properties of these products have not
	been thoroughly investigated. Care should be taken when handling any of
	these materials.
EFFECTS OF	May cause localized eye, skin, or mucous membrane irritation. Some
OVEREXPOSURE:	sensitive individuals may develop a chronic allergic reaction with exposure.
	The known effects are due to the protein.
ROUTES OF	Inhalation of powders and skin contact with liquids are the primary routes of
EXPOSURE:	exposure. Care should be taken to avoid the formation of aerosols when
	handling any of the solutions.

#### PHYSICAL CHARACTERISTICS

APPEARANCE: SOLUBILITY: Powders are white to brown. Solutions will be clear to dark brown or red. Powders are completely soluble in many biological buffers and water. All liquids are completely miscible in water and biological buffers.

#### FIRE AND EXPLOSION HAZARDS

EXTINGUISHING MEDIA: SPECIAL FIRE FIGHTING NOTE: NOTE: Not considered to be a fire hazard. Water spray or  $CO_2$ . None required. Most solutions contain less than 0.05% sodium azide as a preservative. Azide may react with lead and copper plumbing to form explosive metal azides. Flush with copious amounts of water when disposing material in the sink.

### **REACTIVITY DATA**

STABILITY: HAZARDOUS POLYMERIZATION: INCOMPATIBILITY: Stable. Decomposition products are not known to be hazardous. Will NOT occur.

None known. (Lead and copper may react with sodium azide).

#### SPILL / LEAK PROCEDURES

MATERIAL RELEASE / SPILL:	Avoid contact with powder or liquid. Clean up spill with a paper towel soaked in household bleach. Do not allow solutions to dry on
	environmental surfaces. Wash affected area with detergent after the area
	has been treated with bleach.
WASTE DISPOSAL:	Incinerate, autoclave, or dispose of paper waste in accordance with all
	Local, State, and Federal regulations. Due to the small quantities of material involved these products are generally not considered to be
	environmental hazards. All of these proteins are fully biodegradable.

#### **EMERGENCY FIRST AID PROCEDURES**

May be harmful if swallowed, inhaled, or allowed to absorb through the skin. Wash contacted area with water for 15 minutes. If inhaled remove to fresh air. Report exposure to the appropriate safety official. Consult a physician if irritation occurs or if there is any indication of an allergic response, such as watering eyes, sneezing, or difficulty breathing.

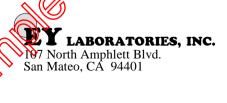
#### SPECIAL HANDLING PRECAUTIONS

VENTILATION:	No special ventilation is required but it is recommended to handle these
	reagents in a fume hood when possible.
EYE PROTECTION:	Not required under most circumstances but recommended as a safety
	precaution.
RESPIRATORY	Recommended as a safety precaution, specifically when working with
PROTECTION:	powders. An approved respirator may be required for those individuals
	already known to be sensitive to these materials.
PROTECTIVE GLOVES:	Required when handling any of these materials.

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#### SPECIAL PRECAUTIONS

This material is for research and experimental application only. It is not intended for food, drug, household, agricultural, or cosmetic use. All materials should be handled only by technically qualified individuals experienced with working with potentially hazardous chemicals. The above information is correct to the best of our knowledge. The user should make independent decisions regarding completeness of the information, based on all sources available. EY Laboratories, Inc. shall not be held liable for any damage resulting from handling or contact with the above product.





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