

# Saturation Binding SOP

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## 1 Overview

Uses 6 columns of 96-well shallow plate, can test 2 membrane/protein per plate. Final Volume in each well is **125  $\mu\text{L}$**

- **25  $\mu\text{L}$**  3H Hot Ligand
- **25  $\mu\text{L}$**  Binding Buffer (BB)/Cold Ligand (Reference)
- **75  $\mu\text{L}$**  Membrane (Protein)

	Columns 1/7	Columns 2/8	Columns 3/9	Columns 4/10	Columns 5/11	Columns 6/12
A	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem
B	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem
C	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem
D	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem
E	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem
F	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem
G	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem
H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H	25 $\mu$ L 3H
	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>BB</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>	25 $\mu$ L <i>Ref</i>
	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem	75 $\mu$ L Mem

Table 1: Contents of drug plate after completion of procedure, adding Membrane (Protein)

## 2 Determining Protein Concentration

- Resuspend pellet in 12 mL Lysis Buffer (10mM Tris + 5% Sucrose, pH 7.4):
  - Use 1 mL Lysis Buffer to break up pellet
  - Fill to 12 mL with Lysis Buffer
  - Pool pellets into one tube (if multiple pellets)
- Perform Bradford Protein Concentration Assay:
  - Sample Prep:** 10  $\mu$ L *Pellet Suspension* + 790  $\mu$ L dH<sub>2</sub>O + 200  $\mu$ L Bradford Reagent
  - Blank Prep:** 10  $\mu$ L *Lysis Buffer* + 790  $\mu$ L dH<sub>2</sub>O + 200  $\mu$ L Bradford Reagent
  - Incubate @ RT 10 min
  - Measure absorbance @ 595 nm
  - Calculate protein concentration (Refer to Formulas section or Spreadsheet)

### 3 Hot Ligand Addition

4. Prepare  $\sim 15$  mL appropriate BB w/BSA ( $\sim 30 \mu\text{L}$ ) in trough
5. In an empty 96-well shallow plate (need one column):
  - (a) Add **330  $\mu\text{L}$**  BB to well H and **165  $\mu\text{L}$**  BB to well A-G
  - (b) Add 3H-Ligand to Well H (Refer to Formulas section or Spreadsheet)
  - (c) Perform a Serial Dilution (1:2) of **165  $\mu\text{L}$**  up from well H to A
  - (d) Remove **25  $\mu\text{L}$**  from Well A for radioactivity counts
  - (e) Using a multichannel pipettor, Transfer **25  $\mu\text{L}$**  into 6 columns of the Drug Plate

#### 3.1 Table

	Initial	Transfer	Serial Dilution	Actual Counts	Final	3H-Ligand Ratio
A	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>330 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\rightarrow$ <b>25 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>305 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:128
B	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\uparrow$ <b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:64
C	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\uparrow$ <b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:32
D	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\uparrow$ <b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:16
E	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\uparrow$ <b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:8
F	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\uparrow$ <b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:4
G	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\uparrow$ <b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:2
H	<b>330 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	$\uparrow$ <b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>		<b>165 <math>\mu\text{L}</math></b>	1:1

Table 2: Contents of column in empty 96-well plate after step 5.(d)

	Columns 1/7	Columns 2/8	Columns 3/9	Columns 4/10	Columns 5/11	Columns 6/12
A	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H
B	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H
C	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H
D	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H
E	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H
F	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H
G	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H
H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H

Table 3: Contents of drug plate after completion of Hot Ligand Addition

## 4 Cold Ligand (Reference) Addition

6. Add **25  $\mu\text{L}$**  BB to first 3 columns
7. Prepare Cold Ligand (Reference):
  - (a) Usually, add **4  $\mu\text{L}$**  Reference compound into **800  $\mu\text{L}$**  BB in an eppendorf tube
  - (b) Using a single channel pipettor, add **25  $\mu\text{L}$**  Reference Compound into the last 3 columns

### 4.1 Table

	Columns 1/7	Columns 2/8	Columns 3/9	Columns 4/10	Columns 5/11	Columns 6/12
A	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref
B	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref
C	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref
D	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref
E	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref
F	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref
G	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref
H	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ BB	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref	25 $\mu\text{L}$ 3H 25 $\mu\text{L}$ Ref

Table 4: Contents of drug plate after completion of Cold Ligand (Reference) Addition

## 5 Membrane (Protein) Addition

8. Prepare  $\sim 4$  mL membrane receptor:
  - (a) Add BB volume to new trough (Refer to Formulas section or Spreadsheet)
  - (b) Add protein to BB in trough (Refer to Formulas section or Spreadsheet)
  - (c) Using a multichannel pipettor, add **75  $\mu\text{L}$**  protein dilution into all 6 columns
  - (d) Refer to Table 1 for plate contents
9. Incubate plates in drawer @ RT for 1 hour

## 6 Formulas

### 6.1 Protein Concentration calculation

Need:

- OD 595 nm

Formula:

$$\text{Protein Concentration } (\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{L}) = \frac{\text{OD@595 nm} - 0.094}{0.503}$$

Where:

- 0.094 and 0.503 were determined from experimental procedure, provided by XP

### 6.2 3H Hot Ligand calculation

Need:

- Starting Concentration (nM)
- 3H-Ligand Specific Activity (Ci/mmol)

Formula:

$$\text{3H-Ligand Vol } (\mu\text{L}) = \frac{330 (\mu\text{L}) * \text{Starting Concentration (nM)} * 5 * 1.2}{\text{Specific Activity (Ci/mmol)}^{-1} * 1000000}$$

Where:

- 330  $\mu\text{L}$  is double the volume of 165  $\mu\text{L}$ , ( $25 \mu\text{L} * 6 \text{ wells} * 1.1 \text{ overage} = 165 \mu\text{L}$ ), so we can perform a serial dilution
- 5 is a Dilution Factor, the final volume in each well is 125  $\mu\text{L}$ , we add 25  $\mu\text{L}$  from the Hot-Ligand plate, ( $125/25=5$ )
- 1.2 is a 20% overage
- 1000000 is for unit conversion

### 6.3 Cold Ligand calculation

Usually need **4  $\mu\text{L}$**  Reference compound and **800  $\mu\text{L}$**  BB

Need:

- Concentration of Cold Ligand (Reference) Stock (most are 10 mM = 10000  $\mu\text{M}$ )

Formula:

$$\text{Reference Vol } (\mu\text{L}) = \frac{800 \mu\text{L} * 10 \mu\text{M Final Concentration} * 5}{10000 \mu\text{M Starting Concentration}}$$

Where:

- 800  $\mu\text{L}$  is approximate volume we need (8 Wells/Column \* 3 Columns \* 25  $\mu\text{L}$ /Well \* 1.1 overage = 660), use 800 so pulling from reference is easier
- Final concentration of Cold Ligand (Reference) in each well is 10  $\mu\text{M}$
- 5 is a Dilution Factor, the final volume in each well is 125  $\mu\text{L}$ , we add 25  $\mu\text{L}$  from the Hot-Ligand plate, (125/25=5)
- 10000  $\mu\text{M}$  or 10 mM is starting reference concentration, usually

## 6.4 Membrane Receptor calculation

Need:

- Protein Concentration ( $\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{L}$ ) (Found from “Determining Protein Concentration”)
- Protein/Well ( $\mu\text{g}$ ) (XP will provide this)

Formula:

$$\text{Volume of Protein } (\mu\text{L}) = \frac{\text{Protein/Well } (\mu\text{g}) * 4000 (\mu\text{L})}{\text{Protein Concentration } (\mu\text{g}/\mu\text{L}) * 75 (\mu\text{L})}$$

$$\text{Volume of BB } (\mu\text{L}) = 4000 (\mu\text{L}) - \text{Volume of Protein } (\mu\text{L})$$

Where:

- 75  $\mu\text{L}$  is the volume that will be dispensed into each well
- 4000  $\mu\text{L}$  is approximate volume we need (8 Wells/Column \* 6 Columns \* 75  $\mu\text{L}$ /Well \* 1.1 overage = 3960  $\mu\text{L}$ ), round to 4000  $\mu\text{L}$  for convenience

## 6.5 Determining Starting Concentration calculation

After obtaining actual radioactive counts (dpm) starting concentration (concentration of 3H-Ligand in Well H) can be determined.

Need:

- Specific Activity (Ci/mmol)
- Actual Counts (dpm)

Formula:

$$\text{Starting Concentration (nM)} = \frac{\text{Actual Counts (dpm)} * 10^9 (\text{nM/M}) * 2^7}{2.22 * 10^{12} (\text{dpm/Ci}) * \text{Specific Activity (Ci/mmol)} * 0.125 (\text{mL/Well})}$$

Where:

- $10^9$  in a unit conversion to nM from M
- $2^7$  is for the 7 serial 1:2 dilutions
- $2.22 * 10^{12}$  dpm/Ci is a constant
- 0.125 (mL/Well) is the final volume in each well