

**Product number:**

SG01-0050 (50 mL)

SG01-1000 (1000 mL)

**Product use:**

StabilGuard™ Immunoassay Stabilizer (BSA-Free) effectively preserves the conformation and activity of dried proteins while simultaneously blocking the surface to reduce non-specific binding. It can be used to stabilize antibodies, antigens or enzymes on an assortment of immunoassay components: polystyrene plates, tubes, glass, membranes, and filter paper. The key benefit of the protein free formulation is the elimination of interference and cross reactivity within immunoassay applications.

The non-specific binding of serum proteins, conjugates and other assay components to solid surfaces in immunoassay applications requires that a blocking step be incorporated into the protocol to maximize assay sensitivity. Additionally, the manufacturing of immunoassays test kits requires long term protein stability to increase the manufacturing scale and extended shelf lives for the end user. The StabilGuard formulation allows for these requirements to be accomplished in a single step while easily being substituted for the blocking solution in an existing assay protocol.

**Product stability, storage and specifications:**

Product stability	3 years from date of manufacture
Storage	Product should be stored at 2-8° C or room temperature
Specification	Protein: None
	Product Buffer: PBS
	pH: 6.6-7.2
	Preservative: None
Notes	Please note that Surmodics™ Stabilization Products are shipped to customers at ambient temperature. Extensive stability studies have shown that prolonged storage at ambient temperature will not affect the product quality or efficacy.

**Recommendations for use:**

Aseptically pour off the desired volumes of material needed for the application and allow the product to equilibrate at room temperature prior to use.

The following are general guidelines only.

**To Stabilize Adsorbed or Immobilized Proteins on Microtiter Plates/Strips:**

- 1) Immobilize or adsorb the primary protein (antibody or antigen) to the plate surface according to an optimized method.
- 2) Wash the plate to remove excess or weakly bound protein.
- 3) Add StabilGuard to allow interaction with the entire protein-coated surface.
  - For example: if the total assay volume is 150 µL add at least 200 µL of StabilGuard to each well.
- 4) Incubate up to 60 minutes at room temperature. Reduced incubation times can be achieved in certain conditions.
- 5) Aspirate the excess StabilGuard from the microwells.
- 6) Dry components for long-term storage using a method that is optimized by the end user. Recommended methods are as follows:
  - Dry in a humidity controlled chamber (less than 15% humidity) until dry (4 to 24 hours).
  - Dry 2-4 hours in a sealed desiccated container.
  - Dry plates at 30-40°C in a vacuum oven for 4 hours.

- 7) Package the stabilized coated plate in a heat-sealed moisture proof pouch with a desiccant.

### Additional considerations:

A preservative may be added to StabilGuard if required by the assay protocol.

For technical assistance, email [ivdtechsupport@surmodics.com](mailto:ivdtechsupport@surmodics.com)

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StabilCoat™ Immunoassay Stabilizer (SC01)
StabilCoat™ Plus Stabilizer (SC02)
StabilGuard™ Choice Stabilizer-BSA-Free (SG02)
StabilBlock™ Immunoassay Stabilizer (ST01)
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StabilZyme™ Protein Free Stabilizer (SZPF)
StabilZyme™ Protein Free AP Stabilizer (SAPF)
StabilZyme™ AP Conjugate Stabilizer (SA01)
StabilZyme™ HRP Conjugate Stabilizer (SZ02)
StabilZyme™ SELECT Stabilizer (SZ03)
StabilZyme™ NOBLE Stabilizer (SZ04)
Surmodics™ Assay Diluent (Protein-Free) (SM01)
MatrixGuard™ Assay Diluent (SM02)
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BioFX™ TMB Supersensitive One Component HRP Microwell Substrate (TMBS)
BioFX™ TMB One Component HRP Microwell Substrate (TMBW)
BioFX™ TMB Conductivity One Component HRP Microwell Substrate (TMBC)
BioFX™ TMB Slow Kinetic One Component HRP Microwell Substrate (TMSK)
BioFX™ TMB Extended Range HRP Microwell Substrate (TMBX)
BioFX™ TMB Enhanced HRP Membrane Substrate (ESPM)
BioFX™ TMB One Component HRP Membrane Substrate (TMBM)
BioFX™ pNPP Yellow One Component Microwell Substrate with Stabilizing Pellets (PNPS)
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