# LowCross-Buffer® protein-free

(article no. 300)

Antibody and sample diluent for minimizing nonspecific binding, cross-reactivities and matrix effects in immunoassays

Storage: 2-8°C or -15 to -30°C (tolerates repeated freezing and thawing cycles)

pH-value:  $7.2 \pm 0.2$ 

Preservative: contains < 0.0014 % [w/w] reaction mass of CMIT/MIT (3:1)

Expiry date

when stored unopened: please refer to the label on the bottle

For research use only, not for diagnostic use

Fields of application:

**ELISA:** dilution buffer for specimen and detection antibodies

Western blotting: dilution buffer for primary and secondary antibodies

Immunohistochemistry: dilution buffer for primary and secondary antibodies

Protein arrays: dilution buffer for specimen and detection antibodies

#### Instructions for use

LowCross-Buffer® protein-free is ready-to-use. Please shake the buffer thoroughly before use.

## Dilution of the specimen:

Standards and specimen for ELISA and protein arrays can be diluted with *LowCross-Buffer® protein-free* at 1:2 or higher. Standards and specimen should be treated strictly the same way.

### Dilution of antibodies:

Antibodies can be diluted with *LowCross-Buffer®* protein-free in a user-defined manner, depending on the recommendation of the data sheet of the antibodies. This applies to primary and secondary antibodies.

## Appearance of signal reduction:

In some cases a smooth reduction of the wanted signal can be observed. *LowCross-Buffer® protein-free* reduces low- and medium-affinity binding. That means that by using polyclonal antibodies (which also contain low- and medium-affinity binding components) a smooth reduction of signals can appear. In this case a moderate increase of the concentration of the antibody can lead to the previously seen signals. Unwanted low and medium-affinity binding will be still reduced by *LowCross-Buffer® protein-free*.

By using monoclonal antibodies with low- or medium-affinity binding, complete reduction of signal can occur. Therefore we recommend using suitable antibodies with high affinity.

Suitability of LowCross-Buffer® protein-free for a specific assay has to be tested by the user.

Although *LowCross-Buffer®* protein-free is used as an assay buffer, it is necessary to saturate surfaces like ELISA-wells or membranes with a blocker. We recommend using *The Blocking Solution* (article number 110).

LowCross-Buffer® protein-free can also be used as a washing buffer – especially in challenging or interference-sensitive assays like immuno-PCR.

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