

Myosin-I Motility Method – For use with biotinylated myosin-I isoforms.

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1. Prepare nitrocellulose-coated coverslip chamber
2. Flow in 50 μ L 0.1 mg/ml Streptavidin, incubate 1 min
3. Flow in 50 μ L 1.0 mg/ml BSA, 2 x 1 min
4. Flow 50 μ L 250 nM Myo1C (diluted in 1x MB), 1 x 2 min
5. Wash with 50 μ L 1x MB that included 5 mM Mg-ATP
6. Wash with 50 μ L 1x MB, 3 times
7. Flow 50 μ L 40 nM Rhodamine Phalloidin Labeled Actin
8. Add 1ul 100x-GOC to 99 μ L Activation Buffer,
9. Flow in 50 ul Activation Buffer, check the motility immediately at 37 $^{\circ}$ C.

5x MB

50 mM Mops, pH 7.0
 125 mM KCl
 5 mM EGTA
 5 mM MgCl₂
 - When making 1x MB, add DTT to 1 mM

100X GOC

20 mg/ml Glucose oxidase
 (G-7016 Sigma, 50,000 U)
 4 mg/ml Catalase
 (Roche)

Activation Buffer

1x MB
 5 mM MgATP
 50 mM DTT
 5 mg/mL Glucose
 10 μ M Calmodulin
 0.5 % Methyl Cellulose

Nitrocellulose-Coated Coverslip

Coat the surface of microscope cover glass (Cat#12-544-B) with 20 ul nitrocellulose (Superclean from ERNEST F. FULLAM, INC., Cat# 11180). Dry for > 20min before using.

Notes:

- Make sure calmodulin is included in the activation buffer
- We do not have to do a “black-actin” blocking step.
- The 0.1 mg/ mL streptavidin concentration is much higher than required. This can be decreased substantially, if necessary.