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## NuGel™ Phenyl Boronic Acid

*Polymer Coated Silica Affinity Matrices For Glycoprotein Purification.*

### Special Features of NuGel™:

- Non-specific sites are virtually eliminated by a polymer coating
- Stable across a wide pH range 2 - 10
- 1000Å, 50µm Silica suitable for LC and batch processes

### Special Features of Phenyl Boronic Acid Ligand:

- Binds ligands containing 1,2 cis-diol groups of glycoproteins.
- pH stable from 2 to 10.

The Phenyl Boronic Acid (PBA) ligand is immobilized through the NuGel™ poly-Epoxy linkage with attachment through the amino group. While various lectins bind to specific saccharide residues, the PBA ligand binds to the 1,2-cis-diol groups of biomolecules and enriches for heterogeneous sets of glycoproteins containing both N-linked and O-linked oligosaccharides. An easy and fast spin-filter format makes glycoprotein enrichment simple starting from 50µl serum, or 1-2 mg total protein.

| Product Name                      | Application              | Size     | Column Volume approximately | Item No. |
|-----------------------------------|--------------------------|----------|-----------------------------|----------|
| <b>NuGel™ Phenyl Boronic Acid</b> | Cis-diols, Glycoproteins | 5 Grams  | 10 ml                       | NPBA-05  |
| <b>NuGel™ Phenyl Boronic Acid</b> | Cis-diols, Glycoproteins | 10 Grams | 20 ml                       | NPBA-10  |

\* Kilogram quantities and other particle sizes and porosity of NuGel™ are also available upon request. e.g.: 10 microns and 30 microns are available.

## NuGel™ Phenyl Boronic Acid Characteristics

NuGel™ Phenyl Boronic Acid is a derivative of NuGel™ poly-epoxy affinity support. This affinity support contains phenyl boronic groups at the end of hydrophilic spacer arms and is used to bind ligands containing cis-diols, glycoproteins.



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| Characteristics Of The Matrix |                                      |
|-------------------------------|--------------------------------------|
| Operating Modes               | Batch mode or in column mode         |
| Space Arm                     | Polymerized hydrophilic carbon chain |
| Porosity                      | 1000Å                                |
| Average Particle Size         | 50µm                                 |

| SAMPLE                  | % Glycoprotein Eluted with Sorbitol |
|-------------------------|-------------------------------------|
| Mouse Plasma            | 33                                  |
| Rat Serum               | 44                                  |
| Sheep Serum             | 18                                  |
| Bovine Serum            | 40                                  |
| Bovine Brain Homogenate | 9                                   |

SDS-PAGE, 4-15% Tris-HCl

Different heterogeneous sets of glycoproteins are observed from 4 different mammalian

**Gel Key:**  
A: Mouse Plasma Eluate  
B: Sheep Serum Eluate  
C: Bovine Serum Eluate  
D: Rat Serum Eluate

## NuGel™ Phenyl Boronic Acid Protocol

| Recommended Items           | Content  |
|-----------------------------|--|
| Binding Buffers Recommended | 0.05M HEPES or 0.05M Taurine at pH 8.5             |
| Wash Buffers Recommended    | 0.05M HEPES or 0.05M Taurine at pH 8.5             |
| Elution Buffers Recommended | Binding Buffer containing 100mm Sorbitol at pH 8.5 |

### Glycoprotein Affinity Purification

- 1) Protocol – Based on processing 50 ul Serum or 1-2 mg total protein.
- 2) Weigh out 50 mg of **NuGel™ Glycoprotein matrix, NPBA.**



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- 3) Add 500  $\mu$ l of Recommended Binding Buffer (see above table) to the matrix. Vortex for 5 minutes and centrifuge for 5 minutes at 2,000-3,000 g. Discard the filtrate (Flow-Through).
- 4) Condition the sample by adding 450  $\mu$ l of Recommended Binding Buffer (see above table) to 50  $\mu$ l of sample. Vortex for 10 minutes and then centrifuge for 5 minutes at 2,000-3,000 g and discard the filtrate (Flow-Through).
- 5) Add 350  $\mu$ l of Recommended Wash Buffer (see above table, same as Binding Buffer). Vortex for 5 minutes then centrifuge for 5 minutes at 2,000-3,000 g. Repeat this step 2 additional times. **The bead is now enriched with glycoproteins. For on-bead digestion for LC-MS work see on-bead digestion protocol, otherwise proceed to the next step.**
- 6) Add 300  $\mu$ l of Recommended Elution Buffer (see above table). Vortex for 10 minutes and centrifuge for 5 minutes at 2,000-3,000 g. The Eluate contains the glycoprotein fraction. The eluate is ready for further functional or LC-MS studies.

Note:

- The protocol can be scaled up or down proportionally to adjust for different sample volumes. The surface amount can be adjusted to accommodate more or less glycoprotein binding.
- Glycoprotein binding is approximately 5-10 mg/gm of NPBA matrix.

### **Suggested On-Bead Digestion Protocol**

- After the final wash steps from step 5, add 100  $\mu$ ls of 5 mM DTT solution to the beads for complete immersion, mix and incubate at 60°C for ½ hour.
- After cooling, add 100  $\mu$ ls of 25 mM iodoacetamide to the DTT/bead suspension, mix and incubate in the dark for 1 hour.
- Centrifuge at 5000xg (medium setting, not max) for 3 mins, and discard filtrate. Transfer the filter slurry of beads, DTT and iodoacetamide to a clean Eppendorf tube.
- On-bead digestion is done by adding 100  $\mu$ ls of a 0.025  $\mu$ g/ $\mu$ L solution of MS-grade. Trypsin to the beads. Digest overnight at 37°C.
- Centrifuge at 5000xg (medium setting, not max) for 3 mins, and retain peptide filtrate.
- To further extract remaining peptides, add 100  $\mu$ ls of 10% solution of formic acid to the beads.
- Incubate for 15 minutes at 37°C, centrifuge at 5000xg (medium setting, not max) for 3 mins, and add this volume to the first volume.
- Reduce to a final volume of 100  $\mu$ ls using a SpeedVac and store at -80 °C until LC-MS/MS.



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- **Cleanascite™** Lipid Removal Reagent and Clarification
- **HemogloBind™** Hemoglobin Depletion From Hemolyzed Serum/Plasma

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