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Dear Prof. Duncan Veal:

As you know Apollo Life Sciences has been using FLUORotechnics protein stain "Deep Purple" for staining 1D and 2D gels. We have found this product very effective at staining our gels. The sensitivity is as good as silver stain and appears better than Sypro Ruby. We also notice that the stained bands usually appear significantly sharper than when stained with silver or Sypro Ruby, and that the background is quite clear.

Furthermore, we normally follow the Deep Purple stain with Collodial Coomassie Blue (CCB) staining and peptide mass fingerprinting (PMF) of spots by MALDI-MS. The Deep Purple stain does not appear to interfere with either the CCB staining or the MALDI-MS of trypsin peptides.

I am happy to recommend this product for staining 1D and 2D gels.

Sincerely,

Dr. Kate Liddell
Research Scientist