

Soil Neutral Phosphatase (S-NP) Activity Assay Kit

Note: Before the experiment, it is recommended to select 2-3 sample with large expected differences for pre-experiment.

Operation Equipment: Spectrophotometer

Catalog Number: BC0460

Size: 50T /48S

Product Composition: Before use, please carefully check whether the volume of the reagent is consistent with the volume in the bottle. If you have any questions, please contact Solarbio staff in time.

Reagent name	Size	Preservation Condition
Reagent I	Liquid 21 mL×1	2-8°C
Reagent II	Powder×1	2-8°C
Reagent III	Liquid 11 mL×1	2-8°C
Reagent IV	Powder×2	2-8°C
Standard	Liquid 1 mL×1	2-8°C

Solution Preparation:

- Reagent II:** Dissolved with 50 mL of distilled water before use, unused reagents can be stored at 2-8°C for 8 weeks.
- Reagent IV:** Dissolved with 576 μ L of absolute ethyl alcohol (self-supplied reagent) and 24 μ L of distilled water before use. Do not use any more if it turns brown, unused reagents can be stored at 2-8°C for 2 weeks.
- Standard:** 0.5 μ mol/mL phenol standard solution.

Product Description:

Soil phosphatase is an enzyme which catalyzes soil organic phosphate mineralization, the activity influences the decomposition and transformation of organic phosphate and its bio-availability directly, which is the indicator of evaluating the direction and intensity of soil phosphorus bio-transformation. Soil phosphatase is influenced by the content of carbon, nitrogen, available phosphorus in the soil and pH. Soil phosphatase is divided into three types: acidic, neutral and alkaline phosphatase according to the optimum pH.

In neutral condition, soil neutral phosphatase (S-NP) can catalyzes the hydrolysis of disodium phenyl phosphate to produce phenol and disodium hydrogen phosphate, the activity of S-NP can be calculate by detecting the content of phenol.

Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided:

Visible spectrophotometer, 1mL glass cuvette, desk centrifuge, water bath/constant temperature incubator, balance, adjustable pipette, mortar, toluene (>98%, AR), alcohol (98%, AR), 30-50 mesh sieve, ice and distilled water.

Procedure:**I. Sample preparation:**

1. Fresh soil samples are naturally air-dried or oven to dry at 37°C, then sieved by 30 ~ 50 mesh sieve.
2. Weigh about 0.1g of dry soil sample, add 0.05mL of toluene (self prepared), and gently shake for 15 minutes; Then add 0.4mL of Reagent I and shake well, place it in a constant temperature incubator at 37°C, start timing, and catalyze the reaction for 24 hours; After that, take out and quickly add 1mL of reagent II, mix thoroughly to terminate the enzyme catalyzed reaction. Centrifuge at 10000rpm and 25 °C for 10 minutes, then take the supernatant and place it on ice for testing.

II. Determination procedure:

1. Preheat Spectrophotometer for 30 min, adjust the wavelength to 660 nm, set zero with distilled water.
2. Blank tube: Take a 1 mL glass cuvette, add to 50 μ L of Reagent I, 200 μ L of Reagent III, 20 μ L of Reagent IV, mix thoroughly. After coloring, add to 730 μ L of distilled water, mix thoroughly. Place it at room temperature for 30 min. Detect the absorbance at 660 nm, record as A_B .
3. Standard tube: Take a 1 mL glass cuvette, add to 50 μ L of standard, 200 μ L of Reagent III, 20 μ L of Reagent IV, mix thoroughly. After coloring, add to 730 μ L of distilled water, mix thoroughly. Place it at room temperature for 30 min. Detect the absorbance at 660 nm, record as A_S .
4. Test tube: Take a 1 mL glass cuvette, add to 50 μ L of supernatant, 200 μ L of Reagent III, 20 μ L of Reagent IV, mix thoroughly. After coloring, add to 730 μ L of distilled water, mix thoroughly. Place it at room temperature for 30 min. Detect the absorbance at 660 nm, record as A_T .

III. S-NP activity calculation:

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the production of 1 nmol of phenol per day at 37°C every gram of soil sample.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{S-NP(U/g soil sample)} &= [C \times (A_T - A_B) \div (A_S - A_B)] \times V_{rv} \times 1000 \div W \div T \\ &= 725 \times (A_T - A_B) \div (A_S - A_B) \div W \end{aligned}$$

C: Standard concentration, 0.5 μ mol/mL;

V_{rv}: Total volume in catalyze system, 1.45 mL;

W: Soil sample weight, g;

T: Reaction time, 24 hours=one day;

1000: Unit conversion factor, 1 μ mol=1000 nmol.

Notes:

Please place the sample on ice during the testing period to avoid enzyme denaturation or inactivation.

Related publications:

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BC0110/BC0115	Soil Polyphenoloxidase (S-PPO) Activity Assay Kit
BC0160/BC0165	Soil β -glucosidase (S- β -GC) Activity Assay Kit
BC0890/BC0895	Soil Peroxidase (S -POD) Activity Assay Kit