

## $\beta$ -glucosidase ( $\beta$ -GC) Assay Kit

**Note:** The reagents of this product are subject to change. Please note and strictly follow this instruction.

**Operation Equipment:** Microplate Reader/Spectrophotometer

**Catalog Number:** BC2565

**Size:** 100T/48S

### Components:

**Extract solution:** Liquid 100 mL $\times$ 1. Storage at 2-8 $^{\circ}$ C.

**Reagent I:** Powder $\times$ 2. Storage at -20 $^{\circ}$ C. Add 6 mL distilled water to each bottle before use, fully dissolved. Unused reagents can be dispensed and stored at -20 $^{\circ}$ C for 4 weeks. Avoid repeating freeze thaw cycles.

**Reagent II:** Liquid 15 mL $\times$ 1. Storage at 2-8 $^{\circ}$ C.

**Reagent III:** Liquid 15 mL $\times$ 1. Storage at 2-8 $^{\circ}$ C.

**Standard:** Liquid 1 mL $\times$ 1. Storage at 2-8 $^{\circ}$ C. 5  $\mu$ mol/mL p-nitrophenol solution.

### Product Description

$\beta$ -glucosidase ( $\beta$ -GC, EC 3.2.1.21) is an enzyme found broadly in animals, plants, microorganisms and cultured cells, which catalyzes the hydrolysis of base-glycosidic bonds and has many physiological functions. In cellulose saccharification,  $\beta$ -GC is responsible for further hydrolysis of cellulose disaccharides and cellulose oligosaccharides to produce glucose.  $\beta$ -GC hydrolyzes the aroma precursors of terpenes, making the glycoside turns from bond state to free state, thus producing the fragrance.  $\beta$ -GC can also hydrolyze wild sakuraside in plants and release HCN, thereby preventing insects from eating.

$\beta$ -GC can catalyze the p-nitrophenyl- $\beta$ -D-glucopyranoside to p-nitrophenol. The p-nitrophenol has characteristic of absorption at 400 nm. In this kit, the  $\beta$ -GC activity is quantified by measuring the increase in the color development at 400 nm.

### Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided.

Spectrophotometer/microplate reader, desk centrifuge, water bath/constant temperature incubator, sonicator, transferpettor, micro glass cuvette/96 well flat-bottom plate, mortar/homogenizer, ice and distilled water.

### Procedure

#### I. Preparation of standard samples:

##### 1. Bacteria or cells

Collecting bacteria or cells into the centrifuge tube, after centrifugation discard supernatant. Suggest add 1 mL of Extract solution to 10 million of bacteria or cells. Use ultrasonication to splitting bacteria and cells (placed on ice, ultrasonic power 200W, working time 3 seconds, interval 10 seconds, repeat for 30 times). Centrifuge at 15000 $\times$ g for 20 minutes at 4 $^{\circ}$ C to remove insoluble materials and take the supernatant on ice before testing.

## 2. Tissues

According to the ratio of tissue mass (g): volume of extraction solution (mL) of 1:5~10 (It is recommended to weigh approximately 0.2g of tissue and add 1mL of extraction solution) and homogenize in an ice bath. Centrifuge at 15000g for 20min at 4°C, remove supernatant and place on ice for measurement.

## II. Determination

1. Preheat spectrophotometer/microplate reader for more than 30 minutes, adjust the wavelength to 400 nm, set spectrophotometer counter to zero with distilled water.
2. Standard working solution: dilute 5  $\mu\text{mol/mL}$  p-nitrophenol solution with distilled water to 100, 50, 25, 12.5, 6.25, 0 (Blank tube) nmol/mL.
3. Add reagents with the following list:

Reagent( $\mu\text{L}$ )	Test Tube (T)	Contrast Tube (C)	Standard Tube (S)
Reagent I	120	-	
Reagent II	150	150	
Sample	30	30	
Mix thoroughly and incubate the reaction for 30 minutes at 37°C water bath/constant temperature incubator, then take the reaction solution in a boiling water bath for 5 minutes immediately (tightly close to prevent moisture loss), flowing water to cool. Mix thoroughly (keep the concentration unchanged).			
Reagent I		120	
Mix thoroughly, centrifuge at 8000 $\times g$ for 5 minutes 4°C and take the supernatant. Add the following reagents to EP tube or 96 well flat-bottom plate:			
Supernatant	70	70	
Standard			70
Reagent III	130	130	130

Mix thoroughly and stand at room temperature for 2 minutes. Detect the absorbance of each tube at 400 nm and noted as  $A_T$ ,  $A_C$ ,  $A_S$  and  $A_B$ . Calculate  $\Delta A_T = A_T - A_C$ ,  $\Delta A_S = A_S - A_B$ . Each test tube should be provided with one contrast tube. Standard curve and blank tube only need to be measured once or twice.

## III. Calculate:

### 1. Standard curve

Establish a standard curve based on the concentration (x, nmol/mL) and absorbance (y,  $\Delta A_S$ ) of the standard tube. Based on the standard curve,  $\Delta A$  (y,  $\Delta A_T$ ) was brought into the formula to calculate the sample product concentration x (nmol/mL).

### 2. Calculation

#### 1) Tissue protein concentration

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzymes catalyzes the generation of 1 nmol of p-nitrophenol in the reaction system per hour every milligram protein.

$$\beta\text{-GC Activity (U/mg prot)} = (x \times V_{rv}) \div (V_s \times C_{pr}) \div T = 20 \times x \div C_{pr}$$

## 2) Tissue weight

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzymes catalyzes the generation of 1 nmol of p-nitrophenol in the reaction system per hour every gram sample.

$$\beta\text{-GC Activity (U/g weight)} = (x \times V_{rv}) \div (W \times V_s \div V_e) \div T = 20 \times x \div W$$

## 3) Bacteria or cultured cells

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzymes catalyzes the generation of 1 nmol of p-nitrophenol in the reaction system per hour every 10<sup>4</sup> bacteria or cells.

$$\beta\text{-GC Activity (U/10}^4\text{ cell)} = (x \times V_{rv}) \div (1000 \times V_s \div V_e) \div T = 0.02 \times x$$

Cpr: Supernatant sample protein concentration (mg/mL);

Vrv: Total reaction volume, 0.3 mL;

Vs: Supernate volume, 0.03 mL;

Ve: Extract solution volume, 1 mL;

W: Sample weight, g;

1000: 10 million cells or bacteria;

T: Reaction time (min), 30 minutes = 0.5 hour.

### Note:

Extraction contains ingredients that denature proteins, and protein content needs additional measurement if  $\beta$ -GC activity would be calculated by protein concentration.

### Recent Products Citations:

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[1] Faria M L, Kolling D, Camassola M, et al. Comparison of *Penicillium echinulatum* and *Trichoderma reesei* cellulases in relation to their activity against various cellulosic substrates[J]. *Biores. Technol*, 2008, 99: 1417-1424.

### Related Products:

BC0340/BC0345 Glucogen Content Assay Kit

BC0360/BC0365  $\beta$ -1,3-glucanase( $\beta$ -1,3-GA) Activity Assay Kit

BC2510/BC2515 Trehalase Activity Assay Kit