

# Saccharifying Enzyme Activity Assay Kit

Note: It is necessary to predict 2-3 large difference samples before the formal determination.

**Operation Equipment:** Spectrophotometer

Cat No: BC2670 Size:50T/24S

# **Components:**

Extract solution: Liquid 110 mL×1. Store at 2-8°C.

**Reagent I:** Powder×2. Store at 2-8°C. Add 20 mL of Extract solution to one Reagent I before use. Mix thoroughly, then place in a boiling water bath for 10 minutes to make it fully dissolved. It could be stored at 2-8°C for four weeks.

Reagent II: Liquid 35 mL×1. Store at 2-8°C and protect from light.

**Standard:** Powder×1. Store at 4°C. Dissolve the standard with 1 mL of Extract solution to generate a 10 mg/mL glucose solution standard. It could be stored at 2-8°C for two weeks.

# **Product Description:**

Saccharifying enzyme, glucoamylase (EC3.2.1.3) also known as  $\gamma$ - amylase, which is an extracellular enzyme that is secreted by a series of microorganisms and has exonuclease activity. The main role of Saccharifying enzyme is to hydrolyze  $\alpha$ -1,4 glycosidic bonds in sequence from non-reducing ends on the carbon chains such as starch, dextrin, glycogen, etc., and cut off each glucose unit. For amylopectin, when it encounters a branch point, it can also hydrolyze  $\alpha$ -1,6 glycosidic bonds, thereby hydrolyzing all amylopectin to glucose. It is one of the important industrial enzyme preparations in China, and is widely used in alcohol, liquor, antibiotics, amino acids, organic acids, glycerol, starch sugar and other industries.

Soluble starch could be hydrolyzed into glucose by saccharifying enzyme. 3, 5-Dinitrosalicylic acid is reduced to brown-red amino compound by co-heating with glucose under alkaline condition. The brown-red amino compound has a maximum absorption peak at 540 nm and the absorbance ratio is in direct proportion to the contents of glucose. The saccharifying enzyme activity is quantified by measuring the color development at 540 nm.

# Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided:

Spectrophotometer, water bath, balance, centrifuge, adjustable transferpettor, mortar/homogenizer/cell ultrasonic crusher, 1 mL glass cuvette, ice and distilled water.

### **Procedure:**

## I. Enzyme extraction

- 1. Tissue: According to the tissue mass (g): the volume of the Extract solution (mL) is 1:5~10. It is recommended to add 1 mL of Extract solution to 0.1 g of tissue and fully homogenized on ice bath. Centrifuge at 10000×g for 10 minutes at 4°C and take the supernatant on ice before testing.
- 2. Bacteria or cells: According to the bacteria or cells number (10<sup>4</sup>): the volume of the Extract



solution (mL) is 500~1000:1. It is recommended to add 1 mL of Extract solution to 5 million of bacteria or cells. Use ultrasonication to split bacteria and cells (placed on ice, ultrasonic power 300W, working time 3s, interval 7s, total time 3 min). Centrifuge at 10000×g for 10 minutes at 4°C to remove insoluble materials and take the supernatant on ice before testing.

3. Culture medium or other liquid: Detect directly. Centrifuge before detecting if there are precipitation in the liquid.

# II. Detection

- 1) Preheat spectrophotometer for 30 minutes, adjust the wavelength to 540 nm, set zero with distilled water.
- 2) Standard: Dilute the 10 mg/mL standard solution to 1.5, 1.0, 0.8, 0.4, 0.2, 0.1 mg/mL with distilled water.
- 3) Take 50  $\mu L$  of the crude enzyme and boil it for 5 minutes to deactivates it and as the contrast tube.

4) Add the following reagents in 1.5 mL EP tubes:

Reagent (µL)	Contrast tube (C)	Test tube (T)	Standard tube (S)	Blank tube (B)
Deactivated crude enzyme	50	-	101° -	-
Crude enzyme	-	50	LOENCY -	-
Distilled water	-	S JIF	-	50
Standard solution	-	S	50	ALD NOE'S
Reagent I	500	500	500	500

Mix thoroughly and incubate accurately at 40°C water bath for 20 minutes, then place the tubes in a boiling water bath for 5 minute (cover tightly to prevent moisture loss) and rapid cooling by ice bath. Centrifuge at 10000×g for 10 minutes at room temperature to remove insoluble materials and take the supernatant.

Supernatant	500	500	500	500
Reagent II	500	500	500	500

Mix thoroughly and place the tubes in a boiling water bath for 5 minute (cover tightly to prevent moisture loss) and rapid cooling by ice bath. Detect the absorbance at 540 nm, record as  $A_C$ ,  $A_T$ ,  $A_S$  and  $A_B$  respectively.  $\Delta A_T = A_T - A_C$ ,  $\Delta A_S = A_S - A_B$ . Each Test tube shall be provided with a contrast tube. The standard curve and blank tube only need to be measured 1-2 times.

### II. Calculation:

#### 1. Standard curve

The concentration of standard solution as x-axis,  $\Delta A_S$  as y-axis, obtain the equation y=kx+b. Take  $\Delta A_T$  to the equation to acquire x(mg/mL) value.

#### 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 mg of glucose in the reaction system per hour at 40°C every mg protein.



Saccharifying enzyme activity (U/mg prot)= $x \times Ve \div (Ve \times Cpr) \div T = 3x \div Cpr$ 

# 2) Tissue weight

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzymes catalyzes the generation of 1 mg of glucose in the reaction system per hour at 40°C every g sample.

Saccharifying enzyme activity (U/g weight)=  $x \times Ve \div W \div T = 3x \div W$ 

# 3) Liquid volume

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzymes catalyzes the generation of 1 mg of glucose in the reaction system per hour at 40°C every mL liquid.

Saccharifying enzyme activity  $(U/mL)=x \times Vs \div Vs \div T=3x$ 

4) Bacteria or cultured cells number

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzymes catalyzes the generation of 1 mg of glucose in the reaction system per hour at 40°C every 10<sup>4</sup> bacteria or cells.

Saccharifying enzyme activity (U/10<sup>4</sup> cell)= $x \times Ve \div 500 \div T = 0.006x$ 

Vs: Sample volume, 50 μL=0.05 mL;

Ve: Extract solution volume, 1 mL;

Cpr: Supernatant sample protein concentration, mg/mL;

T: Reaction time, 20 minutes = 0.333 hour;

W: Sample weight, g;

500: Bacteria or cultured cells number, 5 million.

#### Note:

1. Take two or three different samples for prediction before test. If the absorption value is higher, the sample can be determined after being appropriately diluted. When calculation, multiply the calculation formula by the corresponding dilution factor.

## **Experimental example:**

1. 0.1g magnolia leaves is homogenized by adding 1 mL of Extract solution in ice bath, then centrifuged at 4°C and 10000g for 10 min. The supernatant is put on ice, and then the operation is carried out according to the determination steps. Measure and calculate ΔA<sub>T</sub>=A<sub>T</sub>-A<sub>C</sub>=0.738-0.584=0.154, bring in the standard curve y=0.7372x+0.0175 and calculate x=0.18516. Calculate the enzyme activity according to the sample weight:

Saccharifying enzyme activity (U/g weight) =  $3x \div W = 5.55$  U/g weight.

2. Take 0.1g liver, add 1 mL of Extract solution, homogenize in ice bath, centrifuge at 4°C and 10000g for 10min, take the supernatant and put it on ice, then operate according to the determination steps, measure and calculate  $\Delta A_T = A_T - A_C = 1.420 - 1.282 = 0.138$ , bring in the standard curve y = 0.7372x + 0.0175 and calculate x = 0.163. Calculate the enzyme activity according to the sample weight:

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Saccharifying enzyme activity (U/g weight) =  $3x \div W = 4.89$  U/g weight.

3. The rabbit serum is taken and operated according to the determination steps. Measure and calculate  $\Delta A = A_T - A_C = 1.447 - 0.753 = 0.694$ , bring in the standard curve y = 0.7372x + 0.0175, and calculate x = 0.918. Calculate the enzyme activity according to the sample volume: Saccharifying enzyme activity (U/mL) = 3x = 2.754 U/mL.

# **Related Products:**

BC1850/BC1855	Soluble Starch Synthase(SSS) Activity Assay Kit
BC1860/BC1865	Starch Branching Enzyme(SBE) Activity Assay Kit
BC4250/BC4255	Starch Debranching Enzyme (DBE) Activity Assay Kit
BC4260/BC4265	Amylose Content Assay Kit