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# α-Ketoglutarate Dehydrogenase (α-KGDH) Activity Assay Kit

Note: Take two or three different samples for prediction before test.

**Operation Equipment:** Spectrophotometer

## Catalog Number: BC0710

#### 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	<b>Preservation Condition</b>
Reagent I	Liquid 60 mL×1	2-8°C
Reagent II	Liquid 0.6 mL×2	-20°C
Reagent III	Liquid 60 mL×1	2-8°C
Reagent IV	Liquid 1.2 mL×1	2-8°C
Reagent V	Powder ×2	2-8°C
Reagent VI	Powder ×2	
Reagent VII	Powder ×2	-20°C
Reagent VIII	Powder ×2	-20°C

#### **Solution Preparation:**

1. Reagent II: Volatile reagent, sealed as soon as possible after use, storage at -20°C.

**2. Reagent V**: Before use, take one reagent V and add 1 mL of reagent III to fully dissolve, the unused reagent can be stored at 2-8°C for 4 weeks.

**3. Reagent VI**: Before use, take one reagent VI and add 3 ml reagent III to fully dissolve, the unused reagent can be stored at -20°C for 4 weeks, avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

**4. Reagent VII**: Before use, take one reagent VII and add 1.5 mL reagent III to fully dissolve, the unused reagent can be stored at -20°C for 4 weeks, avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

5. Reagent VIII: Before use, take one reagent VIII and add 1mL distilled water to fully dissolve, the unused reagent can be stored at -20°C for 4 weeks, avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

**6. Preparation of working liquid:** when the solution will be used, take 22 mL reagent III, 0.5 ml reagent IV, 1 mL reagent V, 2.75 ml reagent VI and 1.25 mL of reagent VII, and fully dissolve (27.5 mL, about 27T). The reagent should be prepared just before use.

## **Product Description:**

 $\alpha$ -Ketoglutarate Dehydrogenase ( $\alpha$ -KGDH, EC 1.2.4.2) is one of the key enzymes in the regulation of tricarboxylic acid cycle and widely exists in mitochondria of animal, plant microorganisms and cultured cells, which catalyzes the oxidative decarboxylation of  $\alpha$ -ketoglutarate to succinyl coenzyme A.



 $\alpha$ -KGDH catalyzes  $\alpha$ -ketoglutarate, NAD<sup>+</sup> and coenzyme A to form succinyl coenzyme A, carbon dioxide and NADH. NADH has a characteristic absorption peak at 340 nm. The activity of  $\alpha$ -KGDH is expressed by the formation rate of NADH.

## **Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided:**

Ultraviolet spectrophotometer, water-bath, tabletop centrifuge, adjustable pipette, 1 mL quartz cuvette, mortar/homogenizer, ice and distilled water.

## **Operation procedure:**

**I.** Sample preparation:(The sample size to be tested can be adjusted appropriately, and the specific proportion can be referred to the literature.)

Accurately weigh 0.1 g of tissue or collect 5 million cells, add 1 mL of Reagent I and 10  $\mu$ L of Reagent II, homogenize by using homogenizer/mortar in ice bath, fully grind, centrifuge at 11000 ×g for 10 minutes at 4°C, take the supernatant, place it on ice for test.

## **II. Determination procedure:**

1. Preheat Spectrophotometer for 30 minutes, adjust wavelength to 340 nm, set zero with distilled water.

2. Blank tube:

Take 1 mL of working solution and add it to the 1 mL quartz cuvette, incubate it at 37°C for 5 min, then take out the cuvette, add 40  $\mu$ L of Reagent VIII and 60  $\mu$ L of distilled water in turn into the cuvette, mix them well and immediately measure the absorbance value A1 of 10 s at 340 nm, react accurately at 37°C for 2 min, record the absorbance value A2 of 2 minutes at 340 nm, calculate  $\Delta A_B = A2-A1$ .

# 3. Measuring tube:

Take 1 mL of working solution and add it to the 1 mL quartz cuvette, incubate it at 37°C (mammal) or 25°C (other species) for 5 min, then take out the cuvette, add 40  $\mu$ L of Reagent VIII and 60  $\mu$ L of samples in turn into the cuvette, mix them well and immediately measure the absorbance value A3 of 10 s at 340 nm, react accurately 37°C (mammal) or 25°C (other species) for 2 minutes, and record the absorbance value A4 of 2 minutes at 340 nm, calculate  $\Delta A_T = A4-A3$ .

# III. Calculation of α-KGDH activity

# 1. Calculate by sample protein concentration

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the production of 1 nmol of NADH per minute in the reaction system every milligram tissue protein.

# 2. Calculate by sample mass

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the production of 1 nmol of NADH per minute in the reaction system every gram tissue.

 $\alpha \text{-KGDH} (U/g \text{ fresh weight}) = [(\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div (\varepsilon \times d) \times V_{RV} \times 10^9] \div (V_{SV} \div V_{STV} \times W) \div T$ 

=1488.5×( $\Delta A_T$ - $\Delta A_B$ )÷W

# 3. Calculate by the number of bacteria or cells

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the production of 1 nmol of NADH per minute in the reaction system every 10 thousand germ or cells.

 $\alpha \text{-KGDH} (U/10^4 \text{ cell}) = [(\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{RV} \times 10^9] \div (V_{SV} \div V_{STV} \times 500) \div T$  $= 2.977 \times (\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B)$ 

 $V_{RV}$ : The total volume of reaction system,  $1.1 \times 10^{-3}$ L;

ε: The molar extinction coefficient of NADH, 6.22×10<sup>3</sup> L/mol/cm;

d: Cuvette light diameter, 1 cm;

V<sub>sv</sub>: The volume of sample, 0.06 mL;

V<sub>STV</sub>: The volume of Reagent I and Reagent II, 1.01 mL;

T: Reaction time, 2 minutes;

Cpr: The concentration of sample protein, mg/mL;

W: Sample weight, g;

500: Cells or germ, 5 million;

10<sup>9</sup>: Unit conversion factor, 1mol=10<sup>9</sup>nmol.

#### Note:

1. All reagents and samples should be placed on ice during the determination to avoid denaturation and deactivation.

2. The temperature of the reaction solution in the cuvette must be kept at 37°C or 25°C. Take a small beaker and put it into a certain amount of 37°C or 25°C distilled water. Put the beaker into a 37°C or 25°C water bath. Put the cuvette and reaction solution into the beaker during the reaction.

3. It is better for two people to do the experiment at the same time, one for color comparison and one for timing, so as to ensure the accuracy of the experimental results.

4. The  $\Delta A$  value of the test tube is between 0.01-0.25. If the  $\Delta A$  value of the test tube is greater than 0.25, the sample shall be diluted.

5. As the Reagent I contents a certain concentration of protein (about 1 mg/mL), the protein content of the extract solution itself needs to be subtracted when determining the protein concentration of the sample.

## **Experimental example:**

1. Take 0.1g of barnyardgrass for sample treatment, dilute the supernatant for 2 times, and then operate according to the determination steps, and calculate  $\Delta A_T = A4-A3 = 0.323-0.312 = 0.011$ ,  $\Delta A_B = A2-A1 = 0$ 

 $\alpha$ -KGDH (U/g mass) = 1488.5 × ( $\Delta$ AT- $\Delta$ AB) × W × 2 (dilution ratio) = 327.47 U/g mass.

2. 0.1g mouse liver was taken for sample treatment, and centrifuged at 4°C and 11000g for 10min. The supernatant was taken and operated according to the determination steps. The measured

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and calculated  $\Delta A_T = A4-A3 = 1.2-0.957 = 0.243$ ,  $\Delta A_B = A2-A1 = 0$  $\alpha$ -KGDH (U/g mass) = 1488.5 × ( $\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B$ ) ÷ W = 3617.055 U/g mass.

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