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Micrococcal Nuclease

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Micrococcal Nuclease catalyzes cleavage of both RNA and DNA to yield 3'-nucleotides¹⁾. It exhibits exo- and endo-5'-phosphodiesterase activities. It is more specific for single-stranded nucleic acids, and catalyzes preferential cleavage of RNA and DNA at AU or AT-rich regions^{2),3)}. The enzyme requires Ca²⁺ for activation⁴⁾. The reactions can be stopped by EDTA or EGTA.

Source : *Staphylococcus aureus*

Appearance : lyophilized powder

Activity : displayed on label

Molecular Weight : 16,800⁵⁾

[Method of enzyme activity]

1. Reagents

- A. 0.1 mol/L Sodium Borate Solution, pH 8.8
Prepare 180 mL in deionized water using 1.24 g of Boric Acid and adjusting to pH 8.8 with 1 mol/L NaOH and add water to bring the volume up to 200 mL.
- B. 0.01 mol/L Calcium Chloride Solution
Prepare 100 mL in deionized water using 0.111g of Calcium Chloride.
- C. 2.5 mg/mL Deoxyribonucleic Acid Solution, from Calf Thymus
Dissolve 25 mg of deoxyribonucleic acid, from calf thymus in 10 mL of 0.01 mol/L NaCl. Allow to stand overnight at room temperature and then stir slowly.
- D. Enzyme Solution (1,000-fold, 2,000-fold, 4,000-fold, 8,000-fold dilution)
First, dissolve 1 vial of micrococcal nuclease in 1 mL of the below Solution F to make Solution I.
Prepare 10 mL in Solution F using 0.1 mL of Solution I to make Solution II.
Then prepare 10 mL in Solution F using 1 mL of Solution II (1,000-fold dilution).
Add 0.5 mL of Solution F to 0.5 mL of 1,000-fold dilution (2,000-fold dilution).

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Add 0.5 mL of Solution F to 0.5 mL of 2,000-fold dilution (4,000-fold dilution).

Add 0.5 mL of Solution F to 0.5 mL of 4,000-fold dilution (8,000-fold dilution).

E. 7% Perchloric Acid

Prepare 10 mL in deionized water using 1 mL of Perchloric Acid (70 %).

F. 0.1 % Bovine Serum Albumin

Prepare 200 mL in deionized water using 0.2 g of Bovine Serum Albumin.

2. Procedure

Reagent	Test	Blank
Solution A	0.1 mL	0.1 mL
Solution B	0.05 mL	0.05 mL
Solution C	0.1 mL	0.1 mL
Incubate at 37°C for 6~7 min.		
Solution D	0.1 mL (each diluted solution)	—
Solution F	—	0.1 mL
Incubate at 37°C for 30 min.		
Solution E	0.5 mL	0.5 mL
Chill on ice for 10 min.		
Deionized water	2.7 mL	2.7 mL
Centrifuge for 15 min.		
Determine the A _{260nm} of the supernatant, deionized water as a reference.		

3. Unit Definition

One unit corresponds to a change in optical density of 1.0 at 260 nm at 37°C, using DNA as the substrate.

(Calculation)

$$A = \frac{(E_1 - E_2) \times b}{0.1}$$

A = activity (units/vial)

E₁ = Absorbance of Test sample

E₂ = Absorbance of Blank sample

b = dilution ratio

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[Storage] 2–10°C in the dark

[Packages] 1 vial

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