

SIGMA QUALITY CONTROL TEST PROCEDURE

ProductInformation

Enzymatic Assay of ACETATE KINASE¹ (EC 2.7.2.1)

PRINCIPLE:

Acetate + ATP Acetate Kinase > Acetyl Phosphate + ADP

ADP + PEP Pyruvate Kinase > ATP + Pyruvate

Pyruvate + β-NADH Lactic Dehydrogenase > Lactate + β-NAD

Abbreviations used:

ATP = Adenosine 5'-Triphosphate

ADP = Adenosine 5'-Diphosphate

PEP = Phospho(enol)Pyruvate

 β -NADH = β -Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide, Reduced Form

 β -NAD = β -Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide, Oxidized Form

CONDITIONS: T = 25 °C, pH = 7.6, A_{340nm} , Light path = 1 cm

METHOD: Continuous Spectrophotometric Rate Determination

REAGENTS:

- A. 100 mM Triethanolamine Buffer, pH 7.6 at 25°C.
 (Prepare 50 ml in deionized water using Triethanolamine Hydrochloride, Sigma Prod. No. T-1502. Adjust to pH 7.6 at 25°C with 1 M NaOH.)
- B. 1 M Sodium Acetate Solution (NaOAc)
 (Prepare 10 ml in deionized water using Sodium Acetate, Trihydrate, Sigma Prod. No. S-8625. PREPARE FRESH.)
- C. 91 mM Adenosine 5'-Triphosphate Solution (ATP) (Prepare 3 ml in deionized water using Adenosine 5'-Triphosphate, Disodium Salt, Sigma Prod. No. A-5394. PREPARE FRESH.)

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REAGENTS: (continued)

- D. 56 mM Phospho(enol)pyruvate Solution (PEP)
 (Prepare 1.5 ml in deionized water using Phospho(enol)pyruvate,
 Mono(cyclohexylammonium) Salt, Sigma Prod. No. P-3637. PREPARE FRESH.)
- E. 200 mM Magnesium Chloride Solution (MgCl₂)
 (Prepare 5 ml in deionized water using Magnesium Chloride, Hexahydrate, Sigma Prod. No. M-0250.)
- F. 6.4 mM β -Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide, Reduced Form Solution (β -NADH) (Dissolve the contents of one 5 mg vial of β -Nicotinamide Adenine Dinucleotide, Reduced Form, Disodium Salt, Sigma Stock No. 340-105, in the appropriate volume of deionized water. **PREPARE FRESH.**)
- G. PK/LDH Enzymes Suspension² (Use PK/LDH Enzymes Suspension, Sigma Stock No. 40-7.)
- H. Myokinase Enzyme Solution (MK) (Immediately before use, prepare a solution containing 2000 - 3000 units/ml in cold deionized water using Myokinase, Sigma Prod. No. M-3003.)
- Acetate Kinase Enzyme Solution (Immediately before use, prepare a solution containing 0.2 - 0.5 unit/ml of Acetate Kinase in cold Reagent A.)

PROCEDURE:

Prepare the reaction cocktail by pipetting (in milliliters) the following reagents into a suitable container:

Reagent A (Buffer)	17.80
Reagent B (NaOAc)	6.00
Reagent E (MgCl ₂)	1.00
Reagent F (β-NADH)	0.50

Mix and adjust to pH 7.6 at 25°C with 0.1 M HCl or 0.1 M NaOH, if necessary.

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PROCEDURE: (continued)

Pipette (in milliliters) the following reagents into suitable cuvettes:

	<u>Test</u>	<u>Blank</u>
Reaction Cocktail	2.53	2.53
Reagent G (PK/LDH)	0.05	0.05
Reagent H (MK)	0.02	0.02

Mix by inversion and equilibrate to 25°C. Monitor the ΔA_{340nm} until constant, using a suitably thermostatted spectrophotometer. Then add:

Reagent C (ATP)	0.20	0.20
Reagent D (PEP)	0.10	0.10
Reagent A (Buffer)		0.10
Reagent I (Enzyme Solution)	0.10	

Immediately mix by inversion and record the decrease in A_{340nm} for approximately 5 minutes. Obtain the ΔA_{340nm} /minute using the maximum linear rate for both the Test and Blank.

CALCULATIONS:

Units/mI enzyme =
$$\frac{(\Delta A_{340\text{nm}}/\text{min Test} - \Delta A_{340\text{nm}}/\text{min Blank})(3.0)(df)}{(6.22)(0.1)}$$

$$3.0 = \text{Total volume (in milliliters) of assay } df = \text{Dilution factor}$$

$$6.22 = \text{Millimolar extinction coefficient of } \beta\text{-NADH at } 340\text{ nm}$$

Units/mg solid = mg solid/ml enzyme

0.1 = Volume (in milliliter) of enzyme used

UNIT DEFINITION:

One unit will phosphorylate 1.0 µmole of acetate to acetyl phosphate per minute at pH 7.6 at 25 °C.

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FINAL ASSAY CONCENTRATION:

In a 3.00 ml reaction mix, the final concentrations are 63 mM triethanolamine, 200 mM sodium acetate, 6.1 mM adenosine 5'-triphosphate, 1.9 mM phospho(enol)pyruvate, 6.7 mM magnesium chloride, 0.11 mM β -nicotinamide adenine dinucleotide, reduced form, 35 units pyruvate kinase, 50 units lactic dehydrogenase, 40 - 60 units myokinase, and 0.02 - 0.05 unit acetate kinase.

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NOTES:

- Assay not to be used for Acetate Kinase from Bacillus stearothermophilus, Sigma Prod. No. A-6781.
- Contains not less than 700 Pyruvate Kinase units and 1000 Lactic Dehydrogenase units per ml.
- 3. Pyruvate Kinase Unit Definition: One unit will convert 1.0 μmole of phospho(enol)pyruvate to pyruvate per minute at pH 7.6 at 37°C.
- 4. Lactic Dehydrogenase Unit Definition: One unit will reduce 1.0 μ mole of pyruvate to L-lactate per minute at pH 7.5 at 37°C.
- 5. Myokinase Unit Definition: One unit will convert 2.0 μ moles of ADP to ATP and AMP per minute at pH 7.6 at 37 °C.
- 6. This assay is based on the cited references.
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