LIPASE [LP]

from *Chromobacterium viscosum*
(Triacylglycerol acylhydrolase, EC 3.1.1.3)
(Triacylglycerol lipase)

Triglyceride + 3 H_2O ⟶ Glycerol + 3 Fatty Acid

Preparation and Specification

Appearance	: White to light brownish amorphous powder, lyophilized
Specific activity	: More than 2,500 U/mg solid
Contaminants	:
Cholesterol oxidase	Less than 0.01 % (U/U)
Catalase	Less than 0.01 % (U/U)

Properties

Substrate specificity	: See Table 1	
Molecular weight	: 120 kDa (pH 3.7) (gel filtration)	
	30 kDa (pH 7.3) (gel filtration)	
Isoelectric point	: pH 3.7 and pH 7.3	
Optimum pH	: 3.0–10.0	Figure 1
pH stability	: 4.0–10.0 (50℃, 60 min)	Figure 2
Thermal stability	: Stable at 70℃ and below (pH 7.0, 10 hr)	Figure 3
Storage stability	: At least one year at −20℃	Figure 4
Activators	: Ca^{2+}, Detergents	

Applications for Diagnostic Test

This enzyme is useful for enzymatic determination of **triglyceride** when coupled with glycerophosphate oxidase (T-60) and glycerol kinase (T-64).

$$TG + 3\,H_2O \xrightarrow{LP} Glycerol + 3\,FFA$$

$$Glycerol + ATP \xrightarrow{GKZ} G\text{-}3\text{-}P + ADP$$

$$G\text{-}3\text{-}P + O_2 \xrightarrow{GPO} DHAP + H_2O_2$$

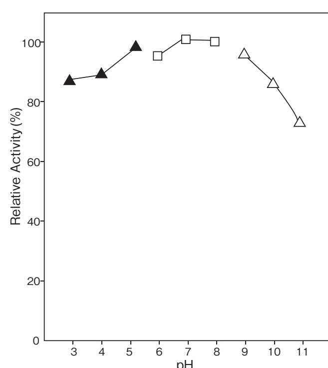
$$2\,H_2O_2 + 4\text{-}AA + Phenol \xrightarrow{POD} Quinoneimine\ dye + 4\,H_2O$$

TG: Triglyceride
FFA: Free fatty acid
DHAP: Dihydroxyacetonephosphate

Table 1. Substrate specificity

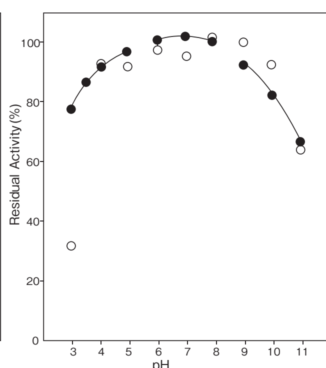
Substrate	Relative activity (%)
Triolein	100
Tripalmitin	22
Trimyristin	53
Trilaurin	103
Tricaprin	166
Tricaprylin	312
Tricaproin	156
Tributyrin	94
Tripropionin	22
Triacetin	38

Fig.1 pH Optimum



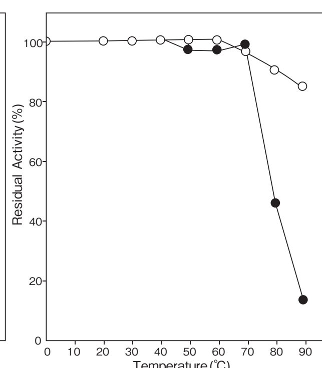
▲ : McIlvaine buffer
□ : Phosphate buffer
△ : Borate buffer

Fig.2 pH Stability



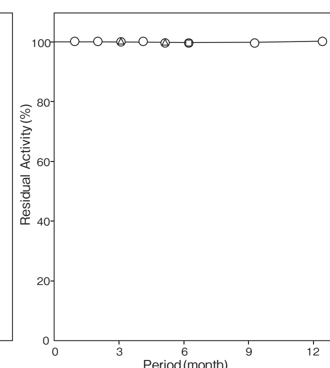
● : 37℃, 24 hr
○ : 50℃, 1 hr
pH 3, 4, 5 McIlvaine buffer
pH 6, 7, 8 Phosphate buffer
pH 9, 10, 11 Borate buffer

Fig.3 Thermal Stability



pH 7.0, 10 hrs.
○ : Lyophilized powder
● : Aqueous solution

Fig.4 Storage (lyophilized powder)

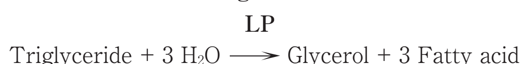


○ : −20℃
□ : 5℃
△ : 30℃

Assay

■ Principle

The assay is based on the titration of fatty acids liberated in the following reactions:



$$\text{Triglyceride} + 3\,H_2O \xrightarrow{\text{LP}} \text{Glycerol} + 3\ \text{Fatty acid}$$

$$\text{Fatty acid} + NaOH \xrightarrow{\text{(Titration)}} \text{Na-Fatty acid} + H_2O$$

■ Unit definition

One unit is defined as the amount of enzyme which liberates 1 μ mole of fatty acid per minute at 37℃ under the conditions specified in the assay procedure.

■ Reagents

1. Substrate suspension (Olive oil and Adekatol SO–120)
   50 g of olive oil (medical use) and 50 g of Adekatol SO–120 are suspended with 150 ml of distilled water.
2. Reaction stopper
   Mixture of ethanol and acetone (1:1)
3. Indicator
   1% (W/V) Phenolphthalein-ethanol solution
4. Titration solution
   50 mM NaOH solution
5. Enzyme dilution buffer
   0.1 M KH_2PO_4–NaOH buffer, pH 8.0 containing 0.1% (W/V) BSA and 0.1% (W/V) NaN_3
6. Reagents
   Olive oil: (Japanese Pharmacopoeia grade)
   Ethanol: (Japanese Pharmacopoeia grade)
   Adekatol SO–120 : ADEKA CORPORATION
   BSA: Millipore Fraction V pH5.2 #81–053

■ Enzyme solution

Accurately weigh about 10 mg of the sample and add enzyme dilution buffer to make a total of 50 ml.
Dilute it with enzyme dilution buffer to adjust the concentration to within 2–4 U/ml.

■ Procedure

1. Pipette accurately 5 ml of substrate suspension and 2 ml of distilled water into a test tube (24 mm i.d. × 200 mmH) and mix to start the preincubation at 37℃.
2. After 10 min, add 0.5 ml of enzyme solution and mix to start the reaction.

※ In the case of a test blank, add 0.5 ml of enzyme dilution buffer in place of enzyme solution.

3. After 20 min, stop the reaction with 16 ml of reaction stopper.
4. Add 3 drops of indicator and titrate the whole mixture with under nitrogen gas bubbling.

※ End point of titration: Appearance of the same color as that of the blank

Titration volume sample : Vs

blank : Vc

$$\triangle V = (Vs - Vc) \leqq 2.5 \text{ ml}$$

$$Vc \leqq 0.6 \text{ ml}$$

■ **Calculation**

$$\text{Activity (U/mg of powder)} = \frac{\triangle V}{20} \times 50 \times \frac{1}{0.5} \times \frac{1}{X} \times F$$

20 : reaction time (min)
F : factor of titration solution (50 mM NaOH)
50 : concentration (mM) of titration solution (50 mM NaOH)
0.5 : the volume of enzyme solution (ml)
X : concentration of the sample in enzyme solution (mg/ml)

Storage

Storage at −20℃ in the presence of a desiccant is recommended. Enzyme activity will be retained for at least one year under this condition (Figure 4).

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LP 活性測定法 (Japanese)

Ⅰ. 試薬液

1. 基質懸濁液 (オリーブ油とアデカトール SO-120 の懸濁液)

   「局方」オリーブ油 50.0g とアデカトール SO-120 50.0g を精製水 150ml に懸濁する。
2. 反応停止液

   エタノール－アセトン (1:1) 混液
3. 指示液

   1% (W/V) フェノールフタレン－エタノール溶液
4. 滴定液

   50mM NaOH 液
5. 酵素溶解希釈用液

   0.1%(W/V)BSA と 0.1%(W/V)NaN_3を含む 0.1M KH_2PO_4-NaOH 緩衝液 pH8.0
6. 試薬

   オリーブ油:「局方」

   エタノール:「局方」

   アデカトール SO-120:ADEKA 製

   BSA: Millipore 社製 Fraction V pH5.2 #81-053

Ⅱ. 酵素試料液

検品約 10mg を精密に量り、酵素溶解希釈用液に溶解して全容 50ml とする。

その液を酵素溶解希釈用液で 2～4U/ml 濃度となるように適宜希釈する。

Ⅲ. 測定操作法

1. 試験管 (24mm i.d. × 200mm H) に基質懸濁液 5ml と精製水 2ml を正確に分注して攪拌混和後、37℃で予備加温する。
2. 10 分経過後、酵素試料液 0.50ml を加えて混和し、37℃で反応を開始する。

   ※盲検は酵素試料液の代わりに酵素溶解希釈用液 0.50ml を加える。
3. 20 分経過後、反応停止液 16.0ml を加えて反応を停止する。
4. 指示液 3 滴を加えて N_2 ガスで攪拌しながら滴定液で滴定する。

   ※滴定の終点は盲検時と同色 (淡赤色) を呈した時点とする。

   求められた滴定量を試料液は Vs、盲検液は Vc とする。

$$\Delta V = (Vs - Vc) \leqq 2.5 \text{ ml}$$

$$Vc \leqq 0.6 \text{ ml}$$

Ⅳ. 計算

$$\text{活性 (U/mg)} = \frac{\Delta V \times F}{20} \times 50 \times \frac{1}{0.5} \times \frac{1}{X}$$

20 : 反応時間 (min)
F : 滴定液 (50mM NaOH) の Factor
50 : 滴定液 (50mM NaOH) の濃度 (mM)
0.5 : 反応に供した酵素試料液量 (m1)
X : 酵素試料液中の検品濃度 (mg/ml)