Sialic Acid (SA) Content Assay Kit

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

Detection instrument: Spectrophotometer

Cat No: NA0141 **Size:** 50T/48S

Components:

Extraction Reagent: Liquid 60 mL×1. Storage at 2-8°C. Chromogenic Solution: Liquid 80 mL×1. Storage at 2-8°C.

Standard: Liquid 0.5 mL×1. Storage at -20°C. 4 mmol/L sialic acid standard solution.

Product Description:

Sialic acid (SA), also known as N-acetylneuraminic acid, is an important component of glycoproteins and glycolipids on the cell membrane. It widely exists in organisms and participates in various physiological functions on the cell surface.

Sialic acid forms a purplish red complex with 5-methylresorcinol in the presence of oxidant. It has a maximum absorption peak at 560nm. The content of sialic acid can be calculated by measuring the light absorption value of the product at 560nm.

Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided:

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

Procedure:

I. Sample preparation:

1. Tissue

According to the proportion of tissue weight (g): the volume of Extract Solution (mL) is 1:5~10. Suggest add 1 mL of Extract Solution to 0.1 g of tissue, and fully homogenized on ice bath. Centrifuge at 3000rpm for 10 minutes at 4°C, take the supernatant and put it on ice for testing.

2. Bacteria or cells

Collecting bacteria or cells into the centrifuge tube, discard supernatant after centrifugation. According to the proportion of bacteria or cells (10⁴): the volume of Extract Solution (mL) is 500-1000:1. Suggest add 1 mL of Extract Solution to 5 million of bacteria or cells. Use ultrasonic to splitting bacteria and cells (placed on ice, ultrasonic power 200W, working time 3s, interval 7s, The total time is 3min). Centrifuge at 3000rpm for 10 minutes at 4°C, take the supernatant and put it on ice for testing.

3. Emulsion sample

Centrifuge at 10000g for 10 minutes at 4°C, remove the upper layer of grease and then use it.

4. Other liquid samples

Direct measurement (if there is turbidity, it can be used after centrifugation).

II. Determination procedure:

- 1. Preheat the spectrophotometer 30 minutes, adjust wavelength to 560 nm, set zero with distilled water.
- 2. Add reagents with the following list (reaction in EP tube):

Reagent (µL)	Test tube (T)	Standard tube (S)	Blank tube (B)
Sample	40	-	-
Standard	-	40	-
Distilled water	-	-	40
Chromogenic solution	1200	1200	1200

Mix thoroughly, put the reaction solution in 100° C water bath for 15 minutes(cover tightly to prevent water loss), Centrifuge at 8000rpm for 10 minutes at room temperature (if there is turbidity, the centrifugal speed can be increased). Take the supernatant and detect the absorbance at 560 nm. Record it as A_T , A_S , A_B , $\Delta A = A_T - A_B$, $\Delta A_S = A_S - A_B$ (The standard curve and blank tube only need to be measured 1-2 times).

III. Calculation:

1. Calculate by the Protein concentration (Protein concentration shall be determined by yourself)

Sialic Acid (SA) Content (mmol/g prot) =
$$\Delta A \times C \div \Delta A_S \times V_S \div (Cpr \times V_S \times 1000)$$

= $0.004 \times \Delta A \div \Delta A_S \div Cpr$

2. Calculate by the Sample weight

Sialic Acid (SA) Content (mmol/g quality) =
$$\Delta A \times C \div \Delta A_S \times V_S \div W$$

= $0.004 \times \Delta A \div \Delta A_S \div W$

3. Calculate by the number of bacteria or cells

Sialic Acid (SA) Content (mmol/10⁴ cell) =
$$\Delta A \times C \div \Delta A_S \times V_S \div N$$

= $0.004 \times \Delta A \div \Delta A_S \div N$

4. Calculate by the volume of liquid sample

Sialic Acid (SA) Content (mmol/L) =
$$\Delta A \times C \div \Delta A_S$$

= $4 \times \Delta A \div \Delta A_S$

V_S: Sample volume, 0.001 L;

C: Concentration of standard, 4mmol/L;

Cpr: Sample protein concentration, mg/mL;

W: Weight of the sample, g;

N: Number of cells (Unit: 10⁴);

1000: Conversion factor, 1L=1000mL

Notes:

- 1. The temperature of 100 °C boiling water bath is relatively high, so it is recommended to wrap the centrifugal tube with sealing film or use the centrifugal tube with spiral cover.
- 2. The measured value range of ΔA is 0.005-0.6. If the measured absorbance value exceeds the absorbance value in the linear range, the sample can be diluted with distilled water and then measured again. If the measured absorbance value is less than the absorbance value in the linear range, the sample size needs to be increased and then measured again. Don't forget to modify the calculation formula.

Experimental instances:

1. Take $40\mu L$ bovine serum, operated according to the determination steps. Measured with 1mL glass cuvette, $A_T = 0.291$, $A_B = 0.002$, $\Delta A = 0.289$. $A_S = 0.415$, $\Delta A_S = 0.413$. Calculate the content according to the serum:

Sialic Acid (SA) Content (mmol/L) = $4 \times \Delta A \div \Delta A_S = 2.799$ mmol/L.

2. Take $40\mu L$ plasma, operated according to the determination steps. Measured with 1mL glass cuvette, $A_T = 0.227$, $A_B = 0.002$, $\Delta A = 0.225$. $A_S = 0.415$, $\Delta A_S = 0.413$. Calculate the content according to the serum:

Sialic Acid (SA) Content (mmol/L) = $4 \times \Delta A \div \Delta A_S = 2.179$ mmol/L.

3. Take 0.123 g mouse liver, add 1 mL extract solution to homogenize in ice bath, centrifuge at 4°C and 3000rpm for 10 min, take the supernatant into another EP tube, operated according to the determination steps. Measured with 1mL glass cuvette, $A_T = 0.07$, $A_B = 0.002$, $\Delta A = 0.068$. $A_S = 0.415$, $\Delta A_S = 0.413$. Calculate the content according to the serum:

Sialic Acid (SA) Content (mmol/L) = $4 \times \Delta A \div \Delta A_S = 0.0054$ mmol/L.

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