



CarboxylesteraseActivity

Colorimetric Microplate Assay Kit

User Manual

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Detection and Quantification of CarboxylesteraseActivity in Serum,
Plasma, Tissue extracts, Cell lysate, Cell culture media, Other
biological fluids Samples.

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I. INTRODUCTION

A carboxylesterase or carboxylic-ester hydrolase is an enzyme that catalyzes a chemical reaction of the form a carboxylic ester + $\text{H}_2\text{O} \rightleftharpoons$ an alcohol + a carboxylate. Thus, the two substrates of this enzyme are carboxylic ester and H_2O , whereas its two products are alcohol and carboxylate. Most enzymes from this group are serine hydrolases belonging to the superfamily of proteins with alpha/beta hydrolase fold. Carboxylesterases have a wide tissue distribution and are found in the greatest amounts in the liver and in the gastrointestinal tract, brain, and possibly blood. Carboxylesterases belongs to the class of serine hydrolases that include acetylcholinesterase, which is primarily found in the blood and neural synapses. Carboxylesterase Activity Colorimetric Microplate Assay Kit is based on hydrolysis of substrate to α -Naphthol. The intensity of the product color, measured at 600 nm, is proportional to the Carboxylesterase activity in the sample.

II. KIT COMPONENTS

Component	Volume	Storage
96-Well Microplate	1 plate	
Assay Buffer	30 ml x 4	4 °C
Substrate	Powder x 1	4 °C
Dye Reagent	Powder x 1	4 °C
Diluent	1 ml x 2	4 °C
Standard	Powder x 1	4 °C
Plate Adhesive Strips	3 Strips	
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III. MATERIALS REQUIRED BUT NOT PROVIDED

1. Microplate reader to read absorbance at 600 nm
2. Distilled water
3. Pipettor, multi-channel pipettor
4. Pipette tips
5. Mortar
6. Ice
7. Centrifuge
8. Timer

IV. REAGENT PREPARATION

Standard: Briefly centrifuge prior to opening. Dissolve in 1 ml distilled water to generate 50 mmol/L of standard stock solution. Keep in dark and store at 4 °C for 2-3 days or -20°C for 1 month after reconstitution. Then dilute to 0.2 mmol/L standard top solution by adding 4 μ l stock solution into 996 μ l distilled water. Perform 2-fold serial dilutions of the top standard solution using distilled water to make the standard curve. The concentration of standard curve could be 200/100/50/25/12.5/6.25/3.12 μ mol/L.

Substrate: Briefly centrifuge prior to opening. Add 1 ml Diluent to dissolve before use. Keep in dark and store at 4 °C for 1 month or -20°C for 4-5 months after reconstitution.

Dye Reagent: Add 10 ml Distilled water to dissolve before use. Keep in dark for immediate use or store at -20°C for 1 week after reconstitution.

Note: Divide into small aliquots to avoid repeated freeze-thaw cycles.

V. SAMPLE PREPARATION

1. For cell and bacteria samples

Collect cell or bacteria into centrifuge tube, discard the supernatant after centrifugation, add 1 ml Assay Buffer for 5×10^6 cell or bacteria, sonicate (with power 20%, sonicate 3s, interval 10s, repeat 30 times); centrifuged at 8000g 4°C for 10 minutes, take the supernatant into a new centrifuge tube and keep it on ice for detection.

2. For tissue samples

Weigh out 0.1 g tissue, homogenize with 1 ml Assay Buffer on ice, centrifuged at 8000g 4°C for 10 minutes, take the supernatant into a new centrifuge tube and keep it on ice for detection.

3. For liquid samples

Detect directly, or dilute with Assay Buffer.

VI. ASSAY PROCEDURE

Add following reagents into the microplate:

Reagent*	Sample**	Control	Standard	Blank
Sample	20µl	--	--	--
Standard	--	--	100µl	--
Assay Buffer	70µl	90µl	--	100µl
Substrate	10 µl	10 µl	--	--
Mix, put it in the oven, 37 °C for 10 minutes.				
Dye Reagent	100 µl	100 µl	100 µl	100 µl
Mix, wait for 10 minutes, record absorbance measured at 600 nm.				

Note:

*Reagents must be added sequentially and should not be premixed prior to addition.

**For unknown samples, we recommend doing a pilot experiment & testing several doses to ensure the readings are within the standard curve range. If the enzyme activity is lower, please add more samples into the reaction system; or increase the reaction time; if the enzyme activity is higher, please dilute the sample, or decrease the reaction time.

**For colored samples, we recommend setting a parallel sample background control well with same volume of sample only. Other reagents were replaced by distilled water to the same total volume. Subtract the OD value of the sample background control from the OD value of the sample to correct for interference from the sample's own color.

VII. CALCULATION

Unit Definition: One unit of Carboxylesterase activity is defined as the enzyme generates 1 μmol α -Naphthol per minute.

1. According to the slope of the standard curve

$$\text{Activity} = \frac{(\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Control}}) - \text{Intercept}}{\text{Slope} \times T} \times \frac{V_{\text{Standard}}}{V_{\text{Sample}}} \times n (\text{U/mL})$$

2. According to one point of the standard OD value and concentration

2.1 According to the protein concentration of sample

$$\text{Activity} = \frac{(C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Control}})}{(\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) \times V_{\text{Sample}} \times C_{\text{Protein}} \times T} (\text{U/mg})$$

2.2 According to the weight of sample

$$\text{Activity} = \frac{(C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Control}})}{(\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) \times W \times (V_{\text{Sample}} / V_{\text{Assay}}) \times T} (\text{U/g})$$

2.3 According to the volume of sample

$$\text{Activity} = \frac{(C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Control}})}{(\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) \times V_{\text{Sample}} \times T} (\text{U/mL})$$

2.4 According to the quantity of cells or bacteria

$$\text{Activity} = \frac{(C_{\text{Standard}} \times V_{\text{Standard}}) \times (\text{OD}_{\text{Sample}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Control}})}{(\text{OD}_{\text{Standard}} - \text{OD}_{\text{Blank}}) \times N \times (V_{\text{Sample}} / V_{\text{Assay}}) \times T} (\text{U}/10^4)$$

Slope: the absorbance slope of standard curve

n: the dilution factor

C_{Protein} : the protein concentration of sample, mg/mL

W: the weight of total sample, g

C_{Standard} : the concentration of standard, $\mu\text{mol/L}$

V_{Standard} : the volume of standard in assay procedure, mL

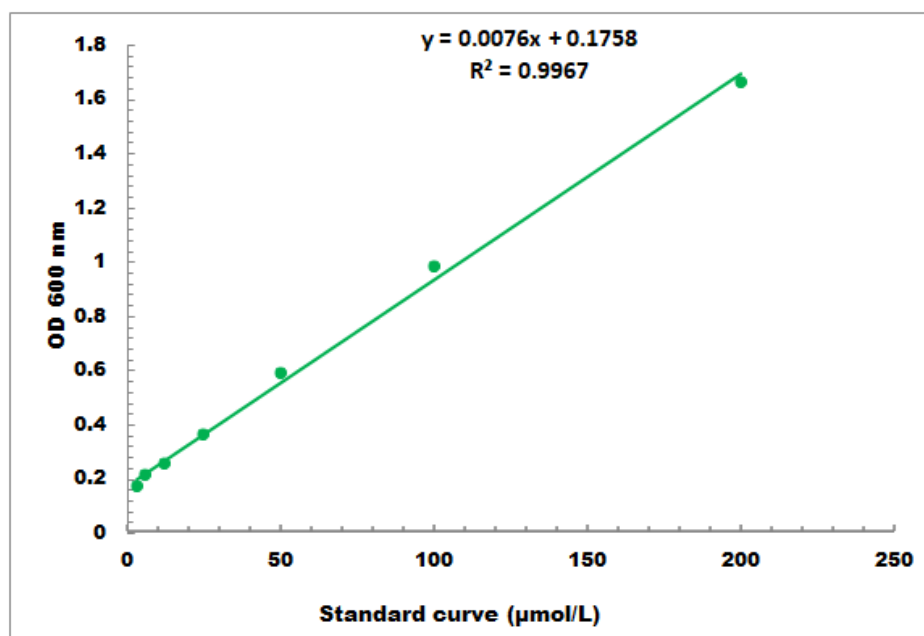
V_{Sample} : the volume of sample in assay procedure, mL

V_{Assay} : the volume of Assay Buffer in sample preparation, mL

T: the reaction time, minute

VIII. TYPICAL DATA

The standard curve is for demonstration only. A standard curve must be run with each assay.



Detection Range: 2μmol/L -200μmol/L