

## Glutathione Reductase (GR) Activity Assay Kit

**Note:** Take two or three different samples for prediction before test.

**Operation Equipment:** Spectrophotometer/Microplate Reader

**Cat No:** BC1165

**Size:** 100T/96S

**Product Composition:** Before use, please carefully check whether the volume of the reagent is consistent with the volume in the bottle. If you have any questions, please contact Solarbio staff in time.

Reagent name	Size	Preservation Condition
Reagent I	Liquid 125 mL×1	2-8°C
Reagent II	Powder×1	2-8°C
Reagent III	Powder×1	2-8°C

### Solution Preparation:

1. Reagent II: Before use, add 1.5mL distilled water to dissolve and set aside. Store at 2-8°C for 4 weeks.

2. Reagent III: Reagents are stored in glass bottles inside reagent bottles; Before use, add 3mL distilled water to dissolve and set aside. It can be stored separately at -20°C for 4 weeks to avoid repeated freezing and thawing.

### Product Description:

GR is a flavin-protein oxidoreductase widely existing in eukaryotes and prokaryotes. GR catalyzes the reduction of GSSG to GSH, which is one of the key enzymes of glutathione redox cycle (GR is usually replaced by TrxR in insects). GR catalyzes the reduction of GSSG to generate GSH by NADPH, which is helpful to maintain the body's GSH/GSSG ratio. GR plays a key role in the scavenging of reactive oxygen species in oxidative stress. In addition, GR also participates in the cycle pathway of ascorbic acid and glutathione.

GR catalyzes the reduction of GSSG by NADPH to produce GSH, at the same time, NADPH dehydrogenation produces NADP<sup>+</sup>. NADPH has a characteristic absorption at 340 nm. On the contrary, NADP<sup>+</sup> has no absorption peak at this wavelength. The rate of NADPH dehydrogenation is determined by measuring the rate of decrease of absorbance at 340 nm, thereby calculating GR activity.

### Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided:

Spectrophotometer/Microplate reader, low temperature centrifuge, water bath, adjustable pipette, micro quartz cuvette/96 well flat-bottom plate (UV plate) and distilled water.

### Procedure

#### I. Crude enzyme extraction:

1. **Tissue:** according to the tissue weight (g): the volume of the Extract solution (mL) is 1:5-10. It is

suggested that add 1 mL of Reagent I to 0.1 g of tissue. Homogenate on ice. Centrifuge at 10000 rpm 4°C for 10 minutes. Take the supernatant on ice for test.

2. **Cells:** according to the number of the cells ( $10^4$ ): the volume of the Extract solution (mL) is 500~1000:1. It is suggested that add 1 mL of Reagent I to 5 million of cells. Breaking cells by ultrasonic wave in ice bath (power 300W, ultrasonic 3s, interval 7s, total time 3 min). Centrifuge at 10000 rpm 4°C for 10 minutes. Take the supernatant on ice for test.
3. **Serum(plasma):** detect directly.

## II. Determination procedure:

1. Preheat spectrophotometer/microplate reader for 30 minutes, adjust wavelength to 340 nm, set zero with distilled water.
2. The Reagent I is preheated in 37°C for greater than 30 minutes.
3. Blank tube: Take micro quartz cuvette/96 well flat-bottom plate (UV plate), add 10  $\mu$ L of Reagent II, 20  $\mu$ L of Reagent III, 170  $\mu$ L of Reagent I, measure the absorbance at 340 nm for 10s and 190s, record as  $A_{B1}$  and  $A_{B2}$ .
4. Test tube: Takemicro quartz cuvette/96 well flat-bottom plate (UV plate), add 10  $\mu$ L of Reagent II, 20  $\mu$ L of Reagent III, 20  $\mu$ L of supernatant, 150  $\mu$ L of Reagent I, measure the absorbance at 340 nm for 10s and 190s, record as  $A_{T1}$  and  $A_{T2}$ .

Note: after measuring the absorbance of the sample for 10s, put the cuvette into a 37°C water bath, take out the cuvette after 3 minutes, mix it well, and immediately measure the absorbance at 190s.

## III. Calculation:

### A. The calculation formula for the determination of micro quartz cuvette.

1. Calculation of GR activity

- 1) Protein concentration:

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the oxidation of 1  $\mu$ mol of NADPH per min at a certain temperature and pH 8.0 every milligram of protein.

$$GR (U/mg \text{ prot}) = [(\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{RV} \times 10^6] \div [C_{Pr} \times V_S] \div T = 0.536 \times (\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div C_{Pr}$$

- 2) Sample weight

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the oxidation of 1  $\mu$ mol of NADPH per min at a certain temperature and pH 8.0 every gram of sample.

$$GR (U/g \text{ weight}) = [(\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{RV} \times 10^6] \div (V_S \div V_{SV} \times W) \div T = 0.536 \times (\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div W$$

- 3) serum:

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the oxidation of 1  $\mu$ mol of NADPH per min at a certain temperature and pH 8.0 every mL serum.

$$GR (U/10^4 \text{ cell}) = [(\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{RV} \times 10^6] \div (V_S \div V_{SV} \times N) \div T = 0.536 \times (\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div N$$

- 4) Bacteria or cultured cells

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the oxidation of 1  $\mu$ mol of NADPH per min at a certain temperature and pH 8.0 every  $10^4$  cell.

$$GR \text{ (U/g weight)} = [(\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div (\epsilon \times d) \times V_{RV} \times 10^6] \div V_S \div T = 0.536 \times (\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B)$$

$$\Delta A_B = \Delta A_{B1} - \Delta A_{B2};$$

$$\Delta A_T = \Delta A_{T1} - \Delta A_{T2};$$

$\epsilon$ : NADPH molar extinction coefficient,  $6.22 \times 10^3$  L/mol/cm;

d: Cuvette optical diameter, 1 cm;

$V_{RV}$ : Total volume of reaction system,  $200 \mu\text{L} = 2 \times 10^4$  L;

$10^6$ : Unit conversion coefficient,  $1 \text{ mol} = 10^6 \mu\text{mol}$ ;

Cpr: Supernatant protein concentration, mg/mL;

$V_S$ : Volume of supernatant added into reaction system,  $20 \mu\text{L} = 2 \times 10^2$  mL;

$V_{SV}$ : Volume of extract solution, 1 mL;

T: Reaction time, 3 minutes;

W: Sample weight, g.

N: Numbers of cells or bacteria (unit:  $10^4$ );

### B. The calculation formula for the determination of 96 well plate (UV plate).

Change the d-1cm in the above formula to d-0.6cm (light path of 96 well UV plate) for calculation

#### Note:

1. The sample processing and other processes shall be carried out on ice, and the enzyme activity shall be measured on the same day. The homogenate shall not be frozen and thawed repeatedly.
2. 1-2 samples should be used for pretest before the determination, and mammalian tissues should be diluted 2-5 times with Reagent I.
3. Because the Extract solution contains a certain concentration of protein (about 1mg/mL), the protein content of the Extract solution itself needs to be subtracted when determining the protein concentration of the sample.

#### Experimental instances:

1. Take 0.1g of Peach leaves, add 1mL of extract solution, fully grinding on ice. Centrifuge at 10000 rpm for 10 minutes at  $4^\circ\text{C}$ , take the supernatant, dilute 4 times and place it on ice for test according to the measured steps. Calculate  $\Delta A_T = A_{T1} - A_{T2} = 1.0765 - 0.626 = 0.4505$ ,  $\Delta A_B = A_{B1} - A_{B2} = 0$ , calculate the enzyme activity according to sample weight:

$$GR \text{ activity (U/g weight)} = 0.536 \times (\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div W \times 4 \text{ (dilution ratio)} = 9.66 \text{ U/g weight.}$$

2. Take 0.1g of rat liver, add 1mL of extract solution, fully grinding on ice. Centrifuge at 10000 rpm for 10 minutes at  $4^\circ\text{C}$ , take the supernatant, dilute 8 times and place it on ice for test according to the measured steps. Calculate  $\Delta A_T = A_{T1} - A_{T2} = 0.9916 - 0.5632 = 0.4284$ ,  $\Delta A_B = A_{B1} - A_{B2} = 0$ , calculate the enzyme activity according to sample weight: GR activity (U/g weight) =  $0.536 \times (\Delta A_T - \Delta A_B) \div W \times 8$  (dilution ratio) = 18.37 U/g weight.

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