

## **Technical Manual**

# **ChromaDazzle Sorbitol Dehydrogenase Activity Assay Kit**

**Catalogue Code: BA0056**

**Pack Size: 100 assays**

**Research Use Only**

## DESCRIPTION

*SORBITOL DEHYDROGENASE (SDH)* is an enzyme that catalyzes the interconversion of sorbitol and fructose. Elevated blood serum SDH levels indicate liver damage; thus, SDH plays an important role in the diagnosis of liver disease, especially in combination with aminotransferases. SDH levels are also measured to evaluate diabetic complications such as proliferative diabetic retinopathy.

The Assay Genie non-radioactive, colorimetric ChromaDazzle Sorbitol Dehydrogenase (SDH) Activity Assay Kit is based on the reduction of the tetrazolium salt MTT in a NADH-coupled enzymatic reaction to a reduced form of MTT which exhibits an absorption maximum at 565 nm. The increase in absorbance at 565 nm is directly proportional to the enzyme activity.

## KEY FEATURES

**Fast and sensitive.** Linear detection range (20  $\mu$ L sample): 0.1 to 125 U/L for 12 min reaction.

**Convenient and high-throughput.** Homogeneous "mix-incubate-measure" type assay. Can be readily automated on HTS liquid handling systems for processing thousands of samples per day.

## APPLICATIONS

SDH activity determination in biological samples (e.g. plasma, serum, urine, tissue and culture media.)

## KIT CONTENTS (100 TESTS IN 96-WELL PLATES)

<b>Assay Buffer:</b>	10 mL	<b>Diaphorase:</b>	120 $\mu$ L
<b>Substrate:</b>	250 $\mu$ L	<b>Calibrator:</b>	1.5 mL
<b>NAD/MTT Solution:</b>	1 mL		

**Storage conditions.** The kit is shipped at room temperature. Store all components at  $-20^{\circ}\text{C}$  upon receiving. Shelf life: 6 months after receipt.

**Precautions:** reagents are for research use only. Normal precautions for laboratory reagents should be exercised while using the reagents. Please refer to Material Safety Data Sheet for detailed information.

## PROCEDURES

This assay is based on a kinetic reaction. To ensure identical incubation time, addition of Working Reagent to samples should be quick and mixing should be brief but thorough. Use of a multi-channel pipettor is recommended. Assays can be executed at any desired temperature (e.g.  $25^{\circ}\text{C}$  or  $37^{\circ}\text{C}$ ).

**Sample Preparation:** Serum and plasma are assayed directly.

**Tissue:** prior to dissection, rinse tissue in phosphate buffered saline (PBS, pH 7.4) to remove blood. Homogenize tissue (50 mg) in 200  $\mu$ L cold PBS buffer. Centrifuge at 14,000 x g for 5 min at  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Remove supernatant for assay.

**Cell Lysate:** collect cells by centrifugation at 2,000 x g for 5 min at  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$ . For adherent cells, do not harvest cells using proteolytic enzymes; rather use a rubber policeman. Homogenize or sonicate cells in an appropriate volume of cold PBS buffer. Centrifuge at 14,000 x g for 5 min at  $4^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Remove supernatant for assay.

All samples can be stored at  $-20$  to  $-80^{\circ}\text{C}$  for at least one month.

**Reagent Preparation:** equilibrate reagents to desired reaction temperature ( $37^{\circ}\text{C}$  is recommended). Briefly centrifuge tubes before use.

### Assay

1. Transfer 100  $\mu$ L dH<sub>2</sub>O (OD<sub>H<sub>2</sub>O</sub>) and 100  $\mu$ L Calibrator (OD<sub>CAL</sub>) solution into wells of a clear flat bottom 96-well plate.
2. Transfer 20  $\mu$ L dH<sub>2</sub>O into one well, this will be the blank. Transfer 20  $\mu$ L of each sample into separate wells.
3. Prepare enough Working Reagent (WR) for all reaction wells by mixing, for each 96-well assay, 2  $\mu$ L Substrate, 8  $\mu$ L NAD/MTT Solution, 1  $\mu$ L Diaphorase and 75  $\mu$ L Assay Buffer.

Add 80  $\mu\text{L}$  WR to all sample and blank wells. Tap plate briefly to mix.

4. Incubate at desired temperature; read  $\text{OD}_{565\text{nm}}$  at time 3 min ( $\text{OD}_3$ ) and time 15 min ( $\text{OD}_{15}$ ) on a plate reader.

### CALCULATION

Subtract the  $\text{OD}_3$  from  $\text{OD}_{15}$  for each sample well to compute the  $\text{DOD}_S$  values, do the same for the blank to compute  $\text{DOD}_B$ . SDH activity can then be calculated as follows:

$$\text{SDH Activity} = \frac{\Delta\text{OD}_S - \Delta\text{OD}_B}{\epsilon_{\text{mtt}} \cdot l} \times \frac{\text{Reaction Vol } (\mu\text{L})}{t \text{ (min)} \cdot \text{Sample Vol } (\mu\text{L})} \times n$$

$$= \frac{273}{t \text{ (min)}} \times \frac{\Delta\text{OD}_S - \Delta\text{OD}_B}{\text{OD}_{\text{CAL}} - \text{OD}_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}} \times n \quad (\text{U/L})$$

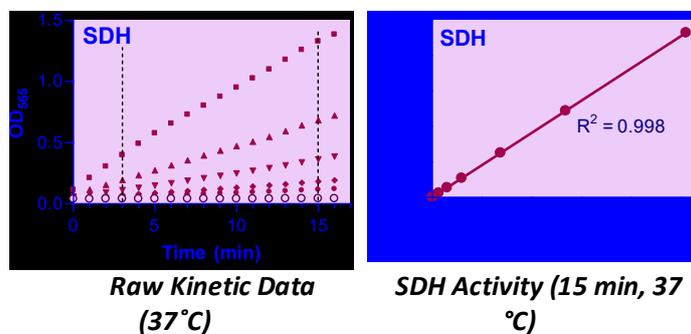
where  $\epsilon_{\text{mtt}}$  is the molar absorption coefficient of reduced MTT.  $l$  is the light pathlength which is calculated from the calibrator.  $\text{OD}_{\text{CAL}}$  and  $\text{OD}_{\text{H}_2\text{O}}$  are  $\text{OD}_{565\text{nm}}$  ( $\text{OD}_3$ ) values of the Calibrator and water.  $t$  is the difference in time between readings (15 min minus 3 min = 12 min is the recommended time). Reaction Vol and Sample Vol are 100  $\mu\text{L}$  and 20  $\mu\text{L}$ , respectively.  $n$  is the dilution factor.

Unit definition: 1 Unit (U) of SDH will catalyze the conversion of 1  $\mu\text{mole}$  of D-sorbitol to fructose per min at pH 8.2.

*Note: If sample SDH activity exceeds 125 U/L, either use a shorter reaction time or dilute samples in water and repeat the assay. For samples with SDH activity < 1 U/L, the reaction time can be extended to 2 hours. We recommend running kinetics and choosing two time points in which the activity remains linear.*

### MATERIALS REQUIRED, BUT NOT PROVIDED

Pipetting devices and accessories (e.g. multi-channel pipettor), clear flat-bottom 96-well plates (e.g. Corning Costar), centrifuge tubes and plate reader.



### LITERATURE

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