

# Glutamic Acid (Glu) Content Assay Kit

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

**Detection equipment:** Spectrophotometer

**Cat No:** BC1580

**Size:** 50T/48S

## Components:

Reagent I: Liquid 110 mL×1, store at 4°C.

Reagent II: Liquid 5 mL×1, store at 4°C.

Reagent III: Powder×1, store at -20°C; add 55 mL Reagent I before use.

Reagent IV: Powder×1, store at -20°C; add 3.5 mL Reagent II before use.

Standard: Liquid 0.5 mL×1, store at 4°C. 10 μmol/mL glutamic acid standard.

## Description:

Glu is widely found in animals, plants, microbes and cultured cells. It's not only one of the 20 amino acids that makes up the protein, but also participates in the synthesis of many kinds of amino acids by transamination. It is one of the main amino sources in organism. Besides, Glu is also the main active ingredient of monosodium glutamate, often used as food additive and spice production.

GDH catalyze glutamic acid and NAD to form  $\alpha$ -ketoglutaric acid, NADH and  $\text{NH}_4^+$ , the absorbance of 340 nm was increased and the content of glutamate was calculated by measuring the absorbance of 340 nm.

## Required but not provided:

Ultraviolet spectrophotometer, desk centrifuge, transferpettor, water bath, 1 mL quartz cuvette, mortar/homogenizer, ice and distilled water.

## Protocol:

### I. Sample preparation

1. Bacteria or cells: Collect bacteria or cells to centrifuge tube, discard the supernatant after centrifuge. Accordance bacteria or cells : Reagent I= 10 million : 1 mL, ultrasonic smash cells (powder 20%,

ultrasonic 3s, interval 10s, repeat 30 times); 10000 rpm centrifuge at 4°C for 10 min, supernatant is ready for test.

2. Tissue: Add 1 mL extract solution to 0.1 g tissue, homogenate on ice. 10000 rpm centrifuge at room temperature for 10 min, supernatant is ready for test.

## II. Detection

1. Preheat ultraviolet spectrophotometer for 30 min, adjust wavelength to 340 nm, set zero with distilled water.

2. Standard solution: Dilute as 2.5, 1.2, 0.625, 0.313, 0.156, 0.078, 0.039 μmol/mL standard solution.

3. Add reagents to 1 mL quartz cuvette.

Standard tube: Add 200 μL standard solution, 800 μL Reagent III and 50 μL Reagent IV, mix thoroughly, record the absorbance A1 of 20s and absorbance A2 of 5 min 20s at 340 nm.  $\Delta A_s = A_2 - A_1$ .

Test tube: Add 200 μL sample, 800 μL Reagent III and 50 μL Reagent IV, mix thoroughly, record the absorbance A1 of 20s and absorbance A2 of 5 min 20 s at 340 nm.  $\Delta A_t = A_2 - A_1$ .

## III. Calculation

1. Standard curve.

The content of glutamic acid as x-axis, standard tube as  $\Delta A_s$  as y-axis, obtain the equation  $y = kx + b$ . Take  $\Delta A_t$  to the equation to acquire x value.

2. Amino acid

A. Protein concentration

$$\text{Glu } (\mu\text{mol/mg prot}) = x \times V_S \div (C_{pr} \times V_S) = x \div C_{pr}$$

B. Sample weight

$$\text{Glu } (\mu\text{mol/g weight}) = x \times V_S \div (W \div V_{ST} \times V_S) = x \div W$$

3. Bacteria or cells amount

$$\text{Glu } (\mu\text{mol}/10^4 \text{ cell}) = x \times V_S \div (1000 \div V_{ST} \times V_S) = 0.001x$$

$V_{ST}$ : Extract solution volume, 1 mL;

$V_S$ : Sample volume, 0.2 mL;

Cpr: Sample protein concentration, mg/mL;

W: Sample weight, g;

1000: Bacteria or cells amount, 10 million.

**Note:**

In order to increase detection sensitivity, the absorbance of test tube is less 1 and  $\Delta A$  less 0.4, if the value is greater than this, the supernatant should be diluted to the appropriate multiple with Reagent I.

**Technical Specifications:**

Minimum Detection Limit: 0.023  $\mu\text{mol/mL}$

Linear Range: 0.025-0.5  $\mu\text{mol/mL}$

**Recent Product Citations:**

[1] Yanan Wang, Chengzhen Liang, Zhigang Meng, et al. Leveraging Atriplex hortensis choline monooxygenase to improve chilling tolerance in cotton. Environmental and Experimental Botany. June 2019;162:364-373.(IF3.712)

**References:**

[1] Beck R, Malthe-Sørensen D, Andreassen J P. Polycrystalline growth in precipitation of an aromatic amine derivative and l-glutamic acid[J]. Journal of crystal growth, 2009, 311(2): 320-326.

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