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# Soil Catalase(S-CAT) Activity Assay Kit

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

**Operation Equipment:** Spectrophotometer

Catalog Number: AK0596

**Size:**50T/24S

## **Components:**

Reagent I: Liquid 0.5 mL×1. Storage at 4°C. Before use, take 0.05 mL of Reagent I and add 9.95 mL of distilled water to dilute it for use or prepare it in proportion. The left reagent stored at 4°C.

**Reagent II:** Powder ×1. Storage at 4°C. Add 2 mL of distilled water before using to dissolve it. The left reagent should be stored at 4°C.

**Reagent III:** Liquid 6 mL×1. Storage at 4°C.

## **Product Description:**

Soil catalase (S-CAT) is an important enzyme of soil microbial metabolism, which plays an important role in the removal system of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>.

Since the absorbance at 240 nm is proportional to the amount of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub>, the activity of S-CAT can be quantified by measuring the decrease in the absorbance of the reaction solution at 240 nm.

## Reagents and Equipment Required but Not Provided.

Table centrifuge, transferpettor, spectrophotometer, water bath, 1 mL quartz cuvette, ice and distilled water.

### **Procedure:**

## I. Sample processing:

Fresh soil samples are naturally air-dried or oven to dry at  $37^{\circ}$ C, then sieved by  $30 \sim 50$  mesh sieve.

#### **Determination procedure:**

- 1. Preheat spectrophotometer for 30 minutes, adjust wavelength to 240 nm and set zero with distilled water.
- 2. Add reagents with the following list:

Reagent	Test Tube (T)	No Substrate Tube (NSu)	No Soil Tube (NSo)	
Air-dried soil sample (g)	0.1	0.1	_	
Reagent I (µL)	1000	-	1000	
Distilled water (μL)	_	1000	_	
Shake and culture at 25°C for 20 minutes.				
Reagent II (µL)	25	25	25	





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Mix thoroughly, centrifuge at 8000 ×g for 5 minutes at room temperature and take all the supernatant.				
Reagent <b>II</b> (µL)	120	120	120	

Mix thoroughly, detect the absorbance of each tube at 240 nm and noted as  $A_T$ ,  $A_{NSU}$ , and  $A_{NSO}$ .

Note: Each test tube should be provided with a no substrate tube, and the no soil tube only need test once or twice.

#### III. Calculation

Unit definition: One unit of enzyme activity is defined as the amount of enzyme catalyzes the degradation of 1 mmol of H<sub>2</sub>O<sub>2</sub> in the reaction system per day at 25°C every gram of dry soil sample.

S-CAT (U/g) = 
$$[(A_{NSo} - A_T + A_{NSu}) \times Vra \div (\varepsilon \times d) \times 10^3] \div W \div T = 18.9 \times (A_{NSo} - A_T + A_{NSu})$$

Vra: Total volume of the reaction system, 1.  $145 \times 10^{-3}$  L;

ε: Molar extinction coefficient of hydrogen peroxide, 43.6 L/mol/cm;

d: Cuvette aperture, 1 cm;

T: Reaction time, 20 minutes=1/72 day;

W: Sample mass, 0.1 g.

#### Note:

If the absorbed supernatant is still partly turbid, centrifuge it again after adding Reagent **II**.

#### **Recent Product citations:**

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