

KINETIC CHARACTERIZATION OF β -GLUCOSIDASE OF ALMOND

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INTRODUCTION

 β -glucosidases(β -D-glycoside glucohydrolases, EC 3.2.1.21) are enzymes that hydrolyze glycosidic bonds of nonreducing terminal glucosyl residues from glycosides and oligosaccharides, releasing β -D-glucose as product(1). These enzymes are very distributed in the nature and also they are involved in different biological functions(2) For example:biomassconverter, production of drinks, food and interest in textile and paper industries.(3) The classification used nowadays is based on the sequence and the folding process; and divides these enzymes in more than 100 families.

The aim of this study is doing a kinetic characterization of the β-glucosidase of almond to determine its kinetic parameters and propose a model for the catalytic mechanism of this enzyme.



2.Determination of kinetics parameters for pNPG with conditions: 40°C, optimal [enzyme], optimal time and different pNPG concentrations. Km, Vmax, Kcat, Ecat.3.Effect of temperature in catalysis: 20°, 30°, 40°, 50°, 60°, 70°C. 4.Effect of inhibitors in catalysis: glucose (product of reaction) and δ -gluconolactone(transition state analogue). Materials: β -glucosidase of almond, pnitrofenol and p-nitrofenil-glucose (pNPG) from [Fluka], citric acid & NaOH from (Panreac).





3. Kinetic parameters for each temperature were used for represent Figure 10.



4.Inhibitors' behaviour was determined in presence of different concentration of each inhibitor. Figure 11 and 12 showed that both were competitive inhibitors. Their KEIs were calculated in Figure 13 and 14.



The conditions of assay established for the β -glucosidase are: an optimal concentration of enzyme of 5.4nM,10 minutes of time of assay. The optimum temperature of catalysis, fluctuates between 40°C and 50°C since the enzyme at 60° C starts losing stability and activity. The glucose and the δ -gluconolactone show a competitive inhibition, with KEI, of 200mM and 0.03mM respectively. So that,theδ-gluconolactone is a better inhibitor. A crypto ping-pong mechanism was proposed to this reaction, where PNP is the first product and the second is glucose(Figure:15)

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Figure 15 :Cleland Scheme

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