

KINETIC CHARACTERIZATION OF THE ALMOND β -GLUCOSIDASE

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Introduction

β -glucosidase (EC 3.2.1.21) is a large group of enzymes within glycosidases. This enzyme catalyses the hydrolysis of the O- β -glycosidic bonds of non-reducing terminal of oligosaccharides and of aryl γ alkyl- β -D glycosides, releasing β -D glucose. β -glucosidases are present widely distributed in nature, that's why they have different biological functions depending of the organism of origin [1]. The classification is based on the folding process and sequence, and there are mostly present in the families: 1 (plant and mammal), 3 (bacteria) and 30 [2].

Materials and Methods

A commercial solution of sweet almond β -glucosidases from *Prunus dulcis*, p-nitrophenol, p-nitrophenol- β -glycoside, glucose and δ -gluconolactone were used from Fulka. Moreover, NaOH, HCl and phosphate salts were supplied by Panreac. The same schematic diagram (Fig. 1) was used to carry out the experiments.

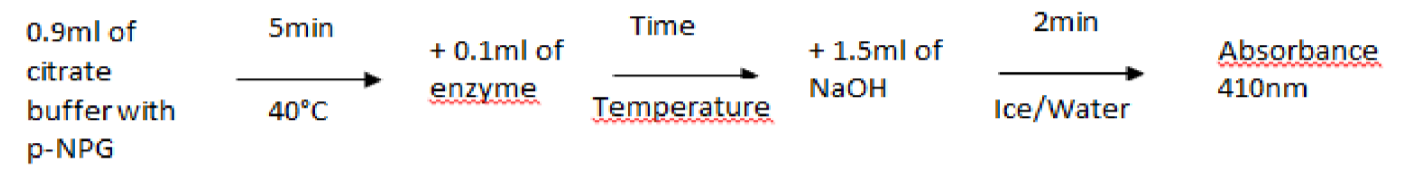


Fig. 1: Schematic diagram

Results

1. Standardization of assays conditions

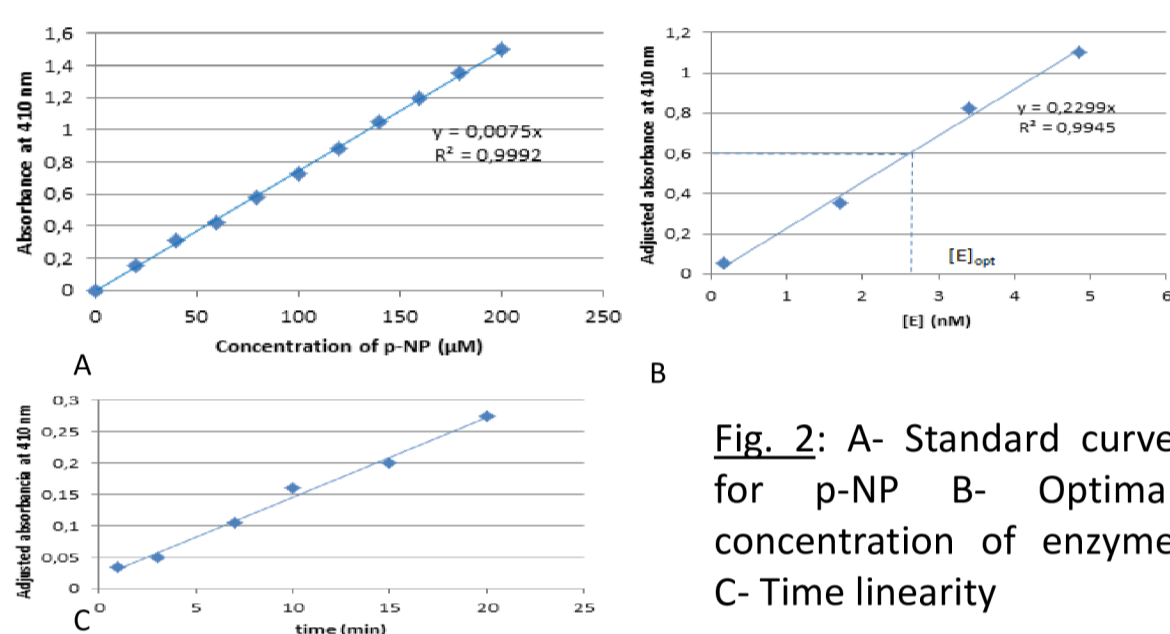


Fig. 2: A- Standard curve for p-NP B- Optimal concentration of enzyme C- Time linearity

3. Temperature effect

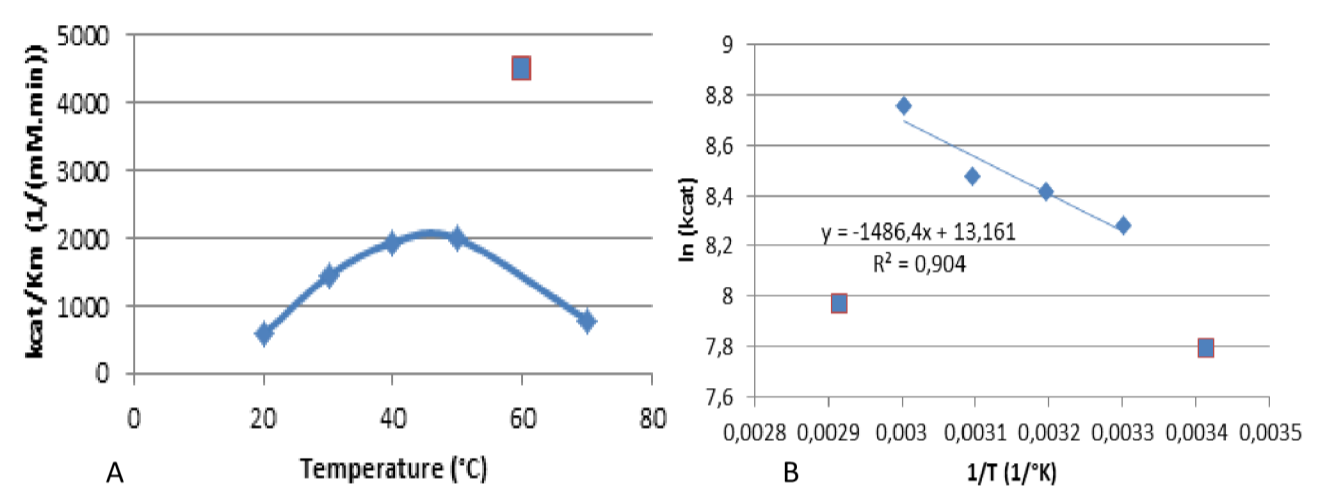


Fig. 4: A- Variation of Kcat/Km with temperature B- Linearization with Arrhenius model

2. Determination of kinetic parameters

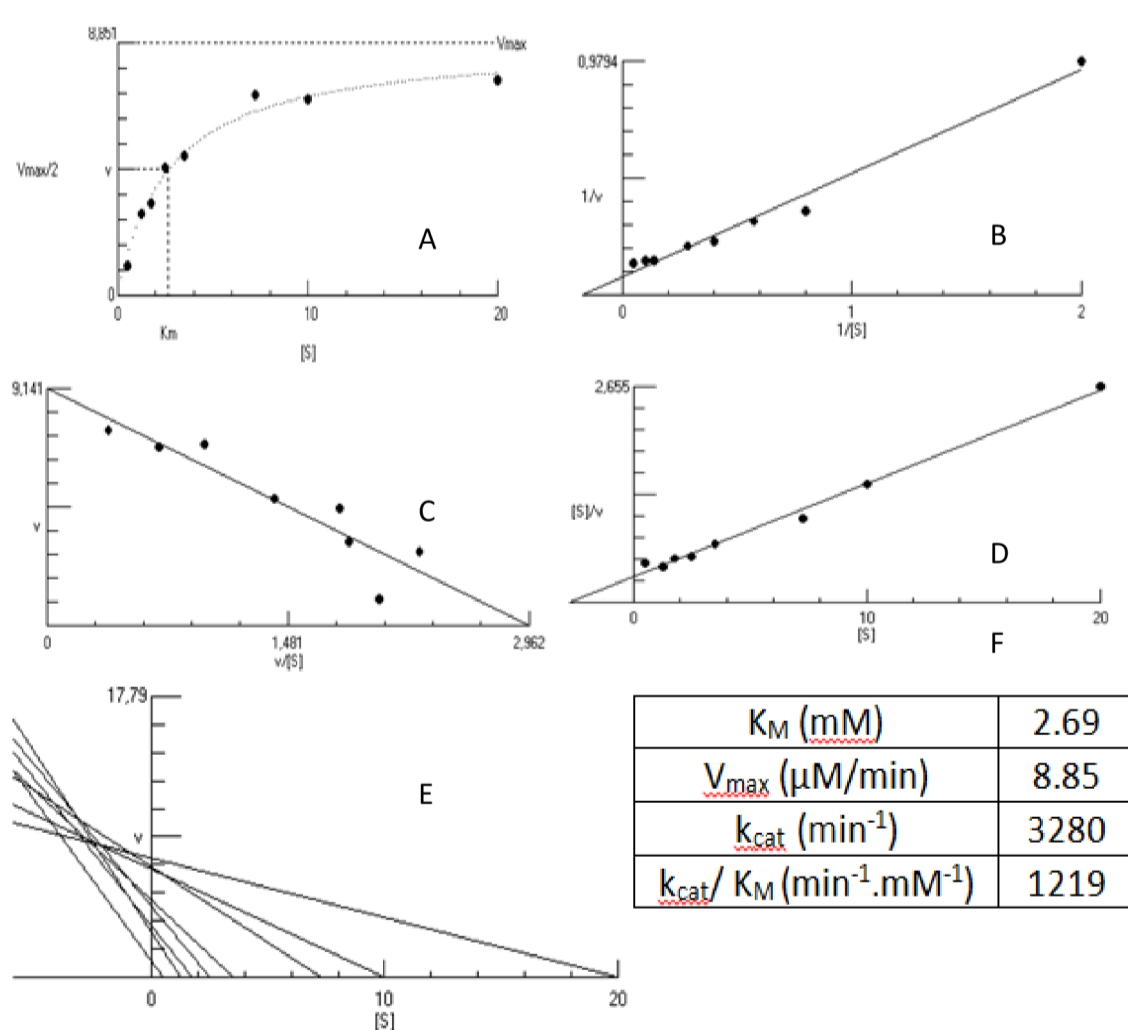


Fig. 3: A- Michaelis-Menten plot B- Lineweaver-Burk plot C- Eadie-Hofstee plot D- Hanes-Woolf plot E- Eisenthal y Cornish-Bowden plot F- kinetics parameters

4. Inhibition studies

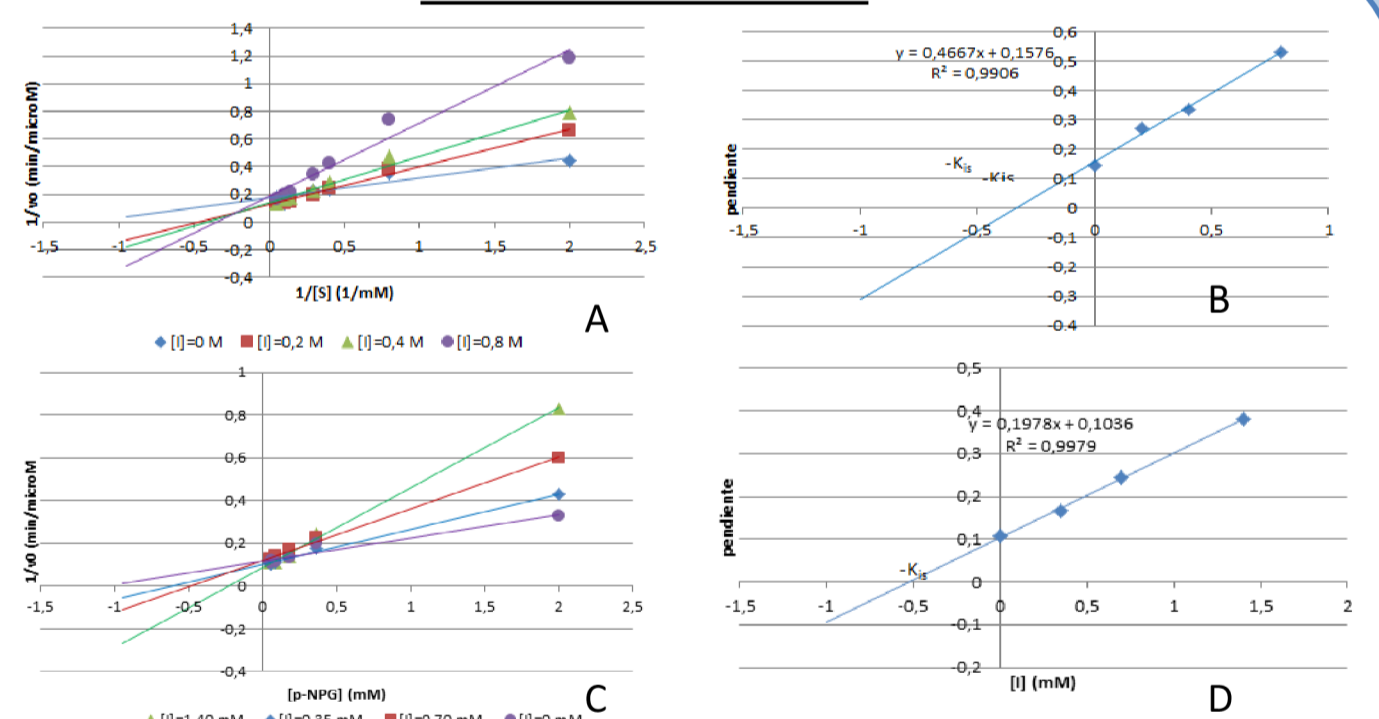


Fig. 5: Glucose inhibition: A- Lineweaver-Burk plot B- Secondary plot δ -gluconolactone inhibition: C- Lineweaver-Burk plot D- Secondary plot



Fig. 6: Cleland Scheme

Conclusion

The almond β -glucosidase presents the following kinetic parameters for the transformation of p-NPG on p-NP and glucose: $K_M = 2.69 \text{ mM}$, $v_{max} = 8.85 \mu\text{M} \cdot \text{min}^{-1}$ and $k_{cat} = 3280 \text{ min}^{-1}$. Furthermore, the temperature range for an optimal activity it is besides 40 and 50 °C. Finally, the studies of inhibition show that the δ -gluconolactone is an inhibitor more efficient than the glucose. It also allowed to determine the mechanism kinetics Uni Bi for the enzyme.

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