Hons practical MC 4

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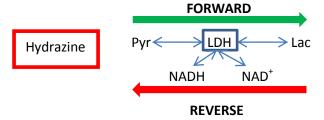
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ABOUT THE PRAC:

(1) Characterise the enzyme:



(2) The experiments:

GROUP A

- Reverse direction
- Varying [NAD⁺]
- Same [Lac] +[LDH] + [Hydrazine]

GROUP B

- Reverse direction
- Varying [Lac]
- Same [NAD⁺] +[LDH] + [Hydrazine]

GROUP C

- Forward direction
- Varying [NADH]
- Same [Pyr] +[LDH]

GROUP D

- Forward direction
- Varying [Pyr]
- Same [NADH] +[LDH]

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GROUP A

- Product Inhibition: NADH
- Varying [NADH]
- Same [Lac] +[NAD⁺] + [LDH] + [Hydrazine]

GROUP B

- Without Hydrazine
- Varying [Lac]
- Same [NAD⁺] +[LDH]

GROUP C

- Product Inhibition: NAD[†]
- Varying [NAD[†]]
- Same [Pyr] +[NADH]+[LDH]

GROUP D

- Product Inhibition: Lac
- Varying [Lac]
- Same [NADH] + [Pyr]+[LDH]

(3) An enzyme assay:

- a- Pipette metabolites into the cuvettes, the reaction is initiated by the addition of the enzyme.
- b- Once the enzyme is added measure the absorbance readings for the reaction over a period of 3mins.
- c- The types of data we expect to see- Forward reaction: decreasing Abs; Reverse reaction: increasing Abs

(4) What needs to be done:

<u>Create a pipetting schema so that we investigate 10 different concentrations around the Km values. Take the following into consideration:</u>

a- Given:

| Km | Stock concentrations |
|------------------------|----------------------|
| Km(NADH) = 0.05 mM | [NADH] = 1.5 mM |
| $Km(NAD^{+}) = 0.4 mM$ | [NAD] = 5 mM |
| Km(Pyr) = 0.5 mM | [Pyr] = 10 mM |
| Km(Lac) = 10 mM | [Lac] = 1 M |

HYDRAZINE is given at a 10X dilution of bottle concentration

b- Volumes:

- The total cuvette volume is 1 ml and of that you use 10 μ l of the enzyme (LDH) and if you are doing **reverse** direction experiments (only) 35 μ l is the Hydrazine.
- The other volumes are of the substrate and co-factor which you calculated in the pipetting schema.
- Lastly, the remaining volume to make up this 1 ml volume is done by adding buffer to the cocktail mixture.
- c- How to determine the 10 concentrations:
 - The range you want to investigate is between: [Km/10; Km) and (Km; 10Km] and the fixed substrates are usually at saturating condition ie. 10xKm. Use Excel to create an incremental pipetting schema.

(5) The Program:

| 18/04 Tuesday: | 19/04 Wednesday: | 20/04 Thursday: |
|---|-------------------------------------|---------------------------------|
| Morning: Practical theory and pipetting | Morning: Group 4-6 (first set of | Morning: 09H30 Research lecture |
| schema | experiments) | |
| | | Mid morning: Group 4-6 (second |
| Afternoon: Group 1-3 (first set of | Afternoon: Group 1-3 (second set of | set of experiments) |
| experiments) | experiments) | |

| 21/04 Friday: | 24/04 Monday: | 25/04 Tuesday: |
|---|---|-------------------|
| Morning: Data pooling/initial data analysis | Morning: Data analysis/ Redo experiments? | Data analysis day |
| Afternoon: redo experiments? | | |
| 26/04 Wednesday: | 27/04 Thursday: | |
| Data analysis day | FREEDOM DAY (PUBLIC HOLIDAY) | |
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